

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

8:00 AM SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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10:00 AM THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Welcome, Announcements & Territorial Acknowledgement

We come to silence at the sound of the gong.

To request specific prayers during the service, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the prayer basket in the narthex.

Opening Hymn: CP#603 Come, You Sinners, Poor And Needy

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all. **And also with you.**

AN ACT OF PENITENCE

Kyrie Eleison (CP#705)

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour.
A moment of silence

All Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we
have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole
heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us
and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you
from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all

goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison (CP#705)

Collect of the Day

Presider Spirit of the desert,

**All you drove Jesus to the edge of the world
 to seek your truth and find his calling:
 scour our hearts and awaken our hunger,
 so that freed from empty clinging
 we may serve only you and the Creator;
 through Jesus Christ, the Lord of the wilds. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

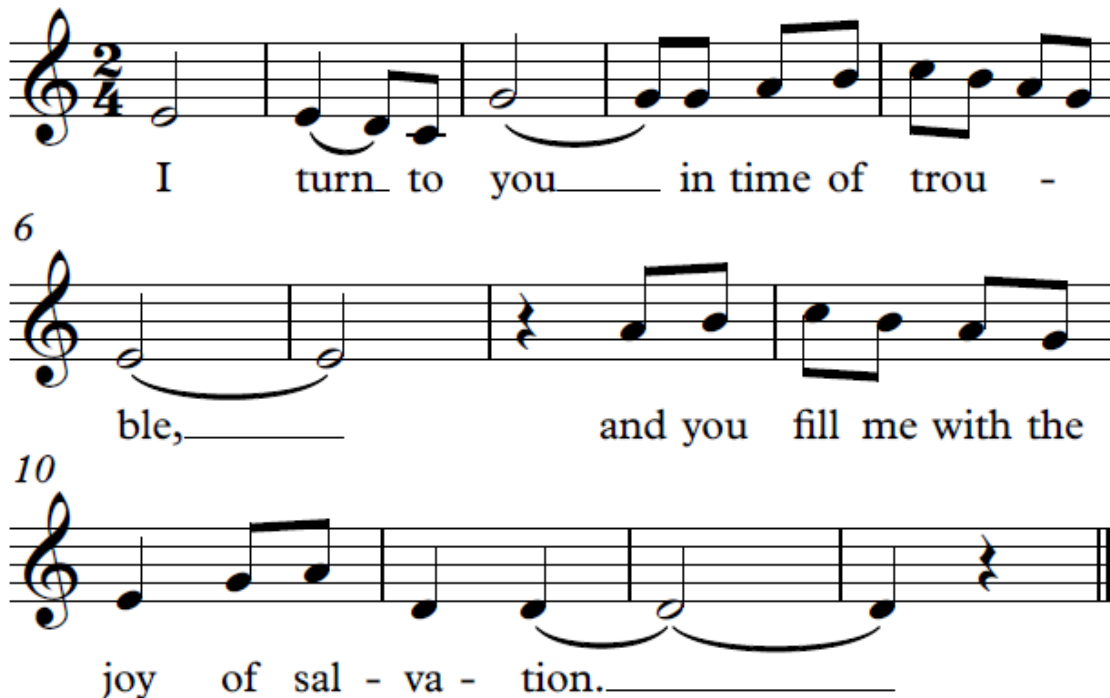
The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 32:

Psalm 32 I Turn To You



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Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all.

For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners,
so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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Gradual Hymn: CP#628 O Love, How Deep, How Broad (vv 1-4)

The Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11 - Told as a Sacred story

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

*...Behold, behold I make all things new,
Beginning with you and starting from today.
Behold, behold I make all things new,
My promise is true, for I am Christ the way.*

Homily

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

Presider Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us access to his grace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: CP#531 You Who Dwell

WE SHARE THE SACRED MEAL

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God our provider,
you have not fed us with bread alone,
but with words of grace and life.
Bless us and these your gifts,
which we receive from your bounty,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer: Island Liturgy A

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider Great Creator, with wit and wisdom you formed the universe...

...Therefore, together with our ancestors in faith
and with your beloved creation we sing (CP#735):

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might (x2)
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest; hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who come in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest; hosanna in the highest.**

Presider We praise you, Source of all, for the living Word.
Jesus Born in poverty; a child refugee,
a worker with his hands.
He gathered disciples and taught and healed the people.

He freely shared our sorrow, joy, and pain.
In vulnerability, he showed power over sin
and triumphed over death.
On the night before Jesus died,
he feasted with his companions.
He took bread, gave thanks, broke it
and gave it to them saying,
"Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you, do this to
remember me."

After supper he took the cup and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to his companions saying,
"Drink this, all of you; this is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and the world for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this to remember me."

Entering into the mystery of faith we call:

All **Come Source of life. Come, transforming Word.
Come, Creator Spirit.**

Presider With his sacred presence unbounded by space and time,
we offer to you this bread and cup.
Send your Breath of Life, like wind,
blowing where it will, north, east, south and west.
May your Spirit brood over these gifts and all who feast at this
table offering a foretaste of the eternal feast to come.
May all who share your abundant gifts
be incorporated as one body and one holy people,
joined in the offering of Jesus' birth, life, death
and resurrection
for the reconciliation of all things.
Reveal the unity of your Church
and the mystery of our communion
with our holy forebears and those yet to be born,
that we may be guided in faith and walk gently on the earth.
Glory and honour to you Triune God,
dynamic of love, complete and perfect unity,
now, and in all ages. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider We break this bread,
All **communion in Christ's body once broken.**
Presider Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.
All **If we have died with him, we shall live with him;
if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**
Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.
All **Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome to join in the sacred feast of Holy Communion. Please come forward to receive the sacrament, stepping into the circle around the altar. You may indicate your desire to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. All are invited to draw near the table of the Lord.

Our healing prayer ministry is currently suspended.

Communion Music: "Jesus, Lamb of God" CP#747
Deep Within
179 Tree Of Life And Awesome Mystery

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Prayer after Communion

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.
All **And your faithful servants bless you.**
**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and
all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise
your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Presider Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: #564 Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

8:00 am

Presider & Preacher	The Rev. Christine Conkin
Greeter	Jenny Bradbury
First Reading	Jane Turpie
Second Reading	Elaine Walker
Prayers	Linda Sproule-Jones
Administrant	Leslie Glazier
Liturgical Assistant	Bruce Winter

10:00 am

Presider & Preacher	The Rev. Christine Conkin
Music Director	Marlon Narciso
Tech Assistant	Sarah Stephens
Liturgical Assistant	David Stuart
Greeters	Colin Millar, Darlene Fisher
Flowers	Margaret Hood
First Reading	Terry Carroll
Second Reading	Beth Gvora
Administrants	Gary Fisher, John Sager
Prayers	Jayne Postuk
Chancel Guild	Margaret Smart, Darlene Fisher
Counters	Gary Fisher, Cedric Trueman(Supervisor)

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