



The Anglican Parish of Christ Church

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Service of Holy Eucharist, 10:00am, March 17, 2024

We are Treaty people of Treaty 6 Territory; a covenant between Nations, witnessed by the Creator. We commit ourselves to the sharing of this land and its sacred gifts together in peace by welcoming all peoples and genders in the spirit of Treaty and wâhkôhtowin, as all our relations.

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Richard Rand from Lois, Catherine, and John.

Welcome to Christ Church

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask our sides people. All kids are welcome to come forward for the children's talk and afterwards to join our volunteers for Sunday School. Restrooms and the nursery are in our hall (accessed through the side door to the right of the brass eagle lectern).

Prelude: Miserere - William Byrd

Processional Hymn: #59 Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him *(Please Stand)*

The Gathering of the Community

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

People **And also with you.**

Confession

Celebrant Seek the Lord while he may be found,

All **call upon him while he is near.**

Celebrant Let the wicked abandon their ways

All **and the unrighteous their thoughts.**

Celebrant Turn back to the Lord, who will have mercy;

All **to our God who will richly pardon.**

cf Isaiah 55

Kyrie

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5 Ky-ri-e e-lei son. Chris-te e-lei-son.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

(A time of silence and self-examination)

All Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *cf Psalm 51*

Celebrant May the God of all mercies cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in God's image to the praise and glory of God's name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

Celebrant Blessed be the Lord,

All who has heard the voice of our prayer.

Celebrant Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

All and in our song will we praise our God.

The Collect

Celebrant Let us pray.

Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Children's Talk

The First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant

that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-13 Solos: Kalea Turner-Beckman & Inskip Spencer

(plainchant Walter Deller)

The Second Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn: #178 Restore in Us, O God vs. 1 & 2

The Gospel Reading

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John (12:20-33).

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single

grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gradual Hymn: #178 Restore in Us, O God vs. 3 & 4

Homily

The Reverend Ruth Sesink Bott

The Apostle's Creed

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Prayer Cycle Diocese of Huron: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop. All ministries, initiatives and committees in the Diocese of Edmonton, and all coordinators, directors, committee chairs, and officers. Buyé Diocese, Canika Parish: Evariste Nsabimana, Rector. Whitefish Lake First Nation.

The Peace

(Please stand)

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: #601 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

The Prayer over the Gifts

(Please stand)

Celebrant Eternal God,

All your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #5 BAS, pg. 204

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder...Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
7 hea - ven and ea - rth are full, are full of your glo - ry.
13 Bless - ed is the one - who comes in the name of the Lord!
19 Ho - san - na in - the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus...We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray,

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

Celebrant We break this bread,

All Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant 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.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Please come forward to receive communion. You may receive both the bread and the wine, or if you prefer, you may receive in one kind only, the bread. Intinction (dipping the bread) is not permitted. A gluten free option is available. To receive a blessing from the priest in place of communion, please come up to the communion rail and cross your hands over your chest.

Music During Communion

Lamb of God

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have - mer - cy
6 on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:
11 grant - us your peace. Grant - us your peace.

Choir: Ave Verum – William Byrd

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary,
truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side flowed water and blood:
Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet]
in the trial of death!

O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary,
have mercy on me. Amen.

Congregational Hymn: #61 As We Gather at Your Table

The Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Merciful God,

All you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #527 How Firm a Foundation

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Postude: Voluntary No. 10 in d minor - Maurice Greene

Readings for Next Sunday: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11, Mk 14:1-15:47

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Announcements

Offerings for Easter Memorial Flowers

Donation envelopes are available at the entrance of the church. Offerings can also be made via etransfer (donations@christchurchedm.ca) or mailed to the parish office. Please remember to include the following information: In memory of and offered by. Thank you for your support.

Please make your donation by March 25, 2023.

Easter Egg Hunt Donations

You are invited to drop off small wrapped chocolate Easter Eggs for our Children's Easter Egg Hunt in the bin in the cloak room at the entrance to the church. Thank you for your generosity.

Mission Action Plan Priorities

For those unable to attend the AGM, there is an opportunity for feedback on our MAP priorities. Please place a dot on the sheets of paper on the east wall of the church hall.

March 2024 at Christ Church

Stitches Group on Wednesday, March 20 at 1pm meets in the lounge. Bring along your project and enjoy tea/dessert and wonderful conversation.

Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30 at 10:00am

Join friends and neighbours for our 9th annual Community Easter Egg Hunt. There will be a giant egg hunt (starting shortly after 10am) games, crafts, food and fun! All are invited to this time of celebration and fun. Bring your Easter basket and a friend and we will see you there.

Parish Potluck and Movie Night on Friday, April 20 at 5pm. More details to follow.

2024 Holy Week and Easter Service Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 24

Holy Eucharist

8:00 am (in person) and 10:00 am (in person and live streamed)

Maundy Thursday Service, March 28

Holy Eucharist with the Rite of Foot Washing

7:00 pm (in person and live streamed)

Good Friday Children's Service, March 29

Interactive Stations of the Cross 10:00 am (in person)

Good Friday Solemn Service, March 29

1:00 pm (in person and live streamed)

The Great Vigil of Easter, March 30

(at the Cathedral 8:00 pm)

Easter Sunday, March 31

Holy Eucharist

8:00 am (in person) and 10:00 am (in person and live streamed)