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Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 22, 2023

*Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity
among the people. See Matthew 4:23*

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (The Book of Alternative Services)

Celebrant: The Reverend Armand Mercier
Preacher: The Venerable Susan Oliver
Crucifer: Steve Langton
Reader: Keith Spencer
Chalice Administrators: Dan and Linda Domanski and
Steve Langton
Prayer Scribe: David Gay
Sidespersons: Helen Ward and Greg Heaton
Organist: Joy Berg
Coffee Hosts: Matthew and Dominic Cassie

*The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Don
Spencer from Joan, Annabelle, and Richard.*

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.

Prelude:

Opening Hymn: #577 God of Garce and God of Glory

God of grace and God of glory on your people pour your power;
now fulfill your church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour

Lo, the hosts of evil 'round us scorn your Christ, assail his ways.
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts

to work and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days, for the living of these days

Cure your children's warring madness. Bend our pride to your. control
Shame our wanton selfish gladness, rich in goods and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
lest we miss your kingdom's goal, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces in the fight for liberty.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we fail ourselves and thee, lest we fail ourselves and thee.

The Gathering of the Community

(Please stand)

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.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you
no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly
love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#702 Glory to God

Refrain:

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. **R**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. **R**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen **R**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your
service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your

call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Children's Talk

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-4

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gradual Hymn: The Lord Is My Light (Taize)

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:
in God I trust, in God I trust.

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:
in God I trust, in God I trust.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew (4:12-23).

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Sermon:

Archdeacon Sue

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

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

The Peace

(Please stand)

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn Sing Hey For the Carpenter

Come with me, come wander, come welcome the world;
where strangers might smile or where stones may be hurled;
come leave what you cling to, lay down what you clutch,
and find with hands empty, that hearts can hold much.

Chorus:

**Sing hey for the carpenter leaving his tools!
Sing hey for the Pharisees leaving their rules!
Sing hey for the fishermen leaving their nets!
Sing hey for the people who leave their regrets.**

Come walk in my company, come sleep by my side,
come savour a lifestyle with nothing to hide;
come sit at my table and eat with my friends,
discovering that love which the world never ends. **R**

Come share in my laughter, come close to my fears,
come find yourself washed with the kiss of my tears;
come stand close at hand while I suffer and die;
and find in three days I never will lie. **R**

Come leave your possessions, come share out your treasure,
come give and receive without method or measure;
come loose every bond that's resisting the Spirit,
enabling the earth to be yours to inherit. **R**

Prayer over the Gifts

(Please stand)

Celebrant: Loving God,

All: before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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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, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

#722 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full, full of your glory.**

Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; All glory and honour are yours,

Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

Celebrant: God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All: Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

#745 Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

The Communion

Those who wish to share in Holy Communion are invited to come forward.

Music during Communion

Hymn:#73 One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All

Refrain:

**One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless--
and we, though many throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.**

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. **R**

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. **R**

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. **R**

Choir: Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult (Holden-Holloway)

Hymn: In Love You Summon

In love you summon, in love I follow, living today for your tomorrow.
Christ to release me, Christ to enfold me,
Christ to restrain me, Christ to uphold me

Prayer after Communion

(Remain standing)

Celebrant: Gracious God,

All: our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn #602 Lift High the Cross

Refrain:

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore His sacred name!**

Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
If we are silent, even stones cry out. **R**

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife:
teach us compassion for each human life. **R**

Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme:
let peace be our passport, peace a living dream. **R**

Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God. **R**

Worlds to be born and children yet to be, come,
take up this song into eternity. **R**

Postlude:

Readings for Next Sunday
Micah 6:1–8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

This week we pray for: Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island: the Rt. Rev. Sandra Fyfe, Bishop. The clergy on a leave of absence in the Diocese of Edmonton and the Interim Ministry Team. Buyé Diocese, Kibonde Parish: Alexis Nzoyisaba, Rector. Whitefish Lake First Nation.

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Announcements

Candlemas Evensong: Thursday, February 2 at 6:30 pm

Candlemas commemorates the presentation of Jesus at the temple and reminds us He is the light of the world. We will bless all the candles in the church that will be used throughout the year. You are invited to bring your own candles from home to be blessed as well. Following the service, join us for a wine and cheese reception.



Messy Church: Friday, February 3 at 5:00 pm



A way of being church for all-ages to join in experiencing fun and faith formative activities. Please join us as we gather for food and fun! Please use the sign up sheet in the church hall or email the office (admin@christchurchedm.ca)

Sunday School Volunteers Needed

Want to spend more time with our wonderful kids? We are looking for helpers to assist Karianne and our other wonderful Sunday School teachers. The classes are planned for you, so that you just need to be present and lend a hand.

Sacramental Preparation

We will be offering classes for the following age groups this winter/spring:
Children 6-9 years old: Life in the Eucharist
Youth 10-14 years old: Confirmation
Please contact Rev. Armand at armand@christchurchedm.ca to sign up and/or with any questions.



On February 12th, 2023 please join us in the parish hall for our Annual General Meeting following the 10:00 a.m. service. The purpose of the meeting is to receive reports of 2022 and to determine the budget for 2013. All baptized parishioners who are at least 16 years of age and who attend services of worship regularly at Christ Church or who receive the administrations of the clergy of the parish and who have not voted at an Annual Meeting of parishioners of any other parish this year are entitled to vote.

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