



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

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THE CONFESSION OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

January 16th, 2022

4 pm Evening Prayer for Epiphany (Livestreamed)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Introductory Responses

Light and peace in Jesus Christ our hope.

Thanks be to God.

Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, our light and our salvation, to you be glory and praise for ever. You gave your Christ as a light to the nations, and through the anointing of the Spirit you established us as a royal priesthood. As you call us into your marvellous light, may our lives bear witness to your truth and our lips never cease to proclaim your praise.

Blessed be God: Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. You make me lie down in green pastures and lead me beside still waters. You revive my soul and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

The Reading

Matthew 16:13-19

A reading from the gospel of Matthew.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

Thanks be to God.

The Responsory

Arise, shine, for your light has come; the glory of the Lord is rising upon you
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God's salvation has been openly shown to all people.

The glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:

Arise, shine, for your light has come; the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

The Song of Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for you, Lord, have looked with favour on your lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: you, the Almighty, have done great things for me and holy is your name. You have mercy on those who fear you, from generation to generation. You have shown strength with your arm and scattered the proud in their conceit, casting down the mighty from their thrones and lifting up the lowly. You have filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty. You have come to the aid of your servant Israel, to remember the promise of mercy, the promise made to our ancestors, to Abraham and his children for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

Hear, O Israel,

the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

The Litany

Redeemer of the nations, guide all who seek you with a pure heart.

Host of the wedding feast, hear our prayer.

Usher in your promised reign of justice and peace.

Host of the wedding feast, hear our prayer.

Encompass us with your light as with a cloak, and conquer the darkness of our night.

Host of the wedding feast, hear our prayer.

Feed the hunger of your people in desert places with your eternal bread.

Host of the wedding feast, hear our prayer.

Change our vessels of water into the gladdening wine of new life.

Host of the wedding feast, hear our prayer.

Welcome sinners to your banquet table.

Host of the wedding feast, hear our prayer.

Intercessions

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

We pray to you, Lord.

That the work we have done this day and the people we have met may bring us closer to you,

We pray to you, Lord.

That we may be forgiven our sins and offences,

We pray to you, Lord.

That we may hear and respond to your call to peace and justice,

We pray to you, Lord.

That you will sustain the faith and hope of the weary, the lonely, and the oppressed,

We pray to you, Lord.

That you will strengthen us in your service, and fill our hearts with longing for your kingdom,

We pray to you, Lord.

O God, you spoke your word and revealed your good news in Jesus the Christ. Fill all creation with that word again, so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples, we may become one living body, your incarnate presence on the earth. **Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you inspired Simon Peter, first among the apostles, to confess Jesus as Messiah and Son of the living God. Keep your Church steadfast upon the rock of this faith, so that in unity and peace we may proclaim the one truth and follow the one Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Believing in the promises of God and gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

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 SENDING OF THE COMMUNITY

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May Christ, who sends us to the nations, give us the power of the Spirit. **Amen.**

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