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we gather is the traditional unceded
territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet)
and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

The liturgy is according to *The Book of Alternative Services*.

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP**Prelude****Welcome and Opening****Processional Hymn** “*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*” **CP 486**

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

- 2 Come, almighty to deliver;
let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

- 3 Finish, then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee.
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-88)

*Music: William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937)
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The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,

without you we are not able to please you.

Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit

may in all things direct and rule our hearts;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

First Reading

Genesis 18:1-15

A reading from Genesis.

¹ The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' ¹⁰ Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. ¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?' ¹³ The Lord said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?" ¹⁴ Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.' ¹⁵ But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.' *[NRSV-A]*

Hear God's word for God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 116

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of
my supplication, *
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever
I called upon him.
- 2 **The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me; *
I came to grief and sorrow.**
- 3 Then I called upon the name of the Lord: *
“O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”
- 4 **Gracious is the Lord and righteous; *
our God is full of compassion.**
- 5 The Lord watches over the innocent; *
I was brought very low, and he helped me.
- 6 **Turn again to your rest, O my soul, *
for the Lord has treated you well.**
- 7 For you have rescued my life from death, *
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.
- 8 **I will walk in the presence of the Lord *
in the land of the living.**
- 9 I believed, even when I said,
”I have been brought very low” *
In my distress I said, ”No one can be trusted.”
- 10 **How shall I repay the Lord *
for all the good things he has done for me?**
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation *
and call upon the name of the Lord.
- 12 **I will fulfil my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.**
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord *
is the death of his servants.
- 14 **O Lord, I am your servant; *
I am your servant and the child of your
handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.**
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and call upon the name of the Lord.
- 16 **I will fulfil my vows to the Lord *
in the presence of all his people.**
- 17 In the courts of the Lord's house, *

in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.
Hallelujah!
Eternal God, faithful

Second Reading Romans 5:1-8

A reading from Romans.

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. [NRSV-A]

Hear God's word for God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn "*Freely, freely*"

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1 God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,
 I've been born again in Jesus' name,
 And in Jesus' name I come to you
 To share His love as He told me to.

Chorus:

*He said, Freely, freely you have received;
Freely, freely give.
Go in my name and because you believe,
Others will know that I live."*

2 All power is given in Jesus' name,
 In earth and heaven, in Jesus' name;
 And in Jesus' name I come to you
 To share His power as He told me to.

Gospel Matthew 9:35—10:8

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’

¹⁰ Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.” ⁸ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

[NRSV-A]

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon Fr Chris Ketch

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory “Compassion Hymn”

TSH 493

- 1 There is an everlasting kindness you lavished on us
When the Radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost;
You called the sheep with- out a shepherd to leave their distress
For your streams of forgiveness and the shade of your rest.

*What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us, O God of compassion!
Each day we live an offering of praise
As we show to the world your compassion!*

- 2 And with compassion for the hurting, you reached out your hand
As the lame ran to meet you and the dead breathed again;
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears,
Heard the sigh of the weary, let the children draw near.

- 3 We stood beneath the cross of Calvary and gazed on your face
At the thorns of oppression and the wounds of disgrace,
For surely you have borne our suffering and carried our grief
As you pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.

- 4 How beautiful the feet that carry this gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice and the valleys of need-
To be a voice of hope and healing, to answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless with the mercy of Christ.

Words & Music: Keith Getty, Kristen Getty, Stuart Townend

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Receiving of Communion

While the church receives communion in silence, take the time to reflect or pray or sit quietly and to enable others to do so, and/or at any time to join in the singing of the following music:

“I love the Lord” R. Smallwood -medley

I love the lord, He heard my cry
And pitied every groan.
Long as I live, when troubles rise,
I’ll hasten to His throne.

I love the Lord, who heard my cry
And chased my grief away.
O let my heart no more despair
While I have breath to pray.

“I love the Lord” P. Reyes -medley

1 I love the Lord, He is filled with compassion.
He turned to me on the day that I called.
From the snares of the dark, O, Lord, save my life,
be my strength.

2 Gracious is the Lord, and just.
Our God is mercy, rest to the weary.
Return my soul to the Lord our God who bids tears away.
I love the Lord.

“He is Good”

1 He is good, He is good.
His love endures forever.
Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.
He is good, he is good.
His love endures forever.
Give thanks, for He is good.

2 For His unfailing love and his wonderful deeds
Give thanks, give thanks to the Lord!
He is good, He is good.
His love endures forever.
Give thanks for He is good.

“He is good”
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Prayer after Communion
Blessing as given by the presider

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THE CHURCH DEPARTS TO WITNESS AND TO SERVE

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Recessional Hymn “*Here I am Lord*”

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- 1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry;
All who dwell in deepest sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord; Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, If you lead me,
I will hold your people in my heart*

- 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne My people's pain;
I have wept for love of them
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone;
I will speak My word to them
Whom shall I send?

- 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied;
I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?

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Postlude

Those serving today's worship and learning:

<i>Bulletin preparation</i>	Lori Maker (Parish Office)
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Bev, Sharon & Carol
<i>Sunday School</i>	Laura Janes
<i>Sound system</i>	Chris Titus
<i>Greeter</i>	Patti & Jim Touchbourne
<i>Layreader & First Reader</i>	Paul Desjardin
<i>Second Reader</i>	Sharon Titus
<i>Prayer Leader</i>	Layreader
<i>Organist & Choir Director</i>	David Mitchell
<i>Presider & preacher</i>	Chris Ketch
<i>Guitarist</i>	Shayne Galbraith
<i>Counters</i>	Terry Ricketts & Janet Brown
<i>Building care</i>	Janet Brown

Who's serving next week is on the Narthex bulletin board.

NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday – June 21 *National Indigenous Day of Prayer-*
Fr. Keith presiding Scripture readings Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalm 19;
 Philippians 4:4-9; John 1:1-18



Happy Birthday this Week to:

- Sarah Titus, June 15
- Joshua Desjardins, June 17
- Bob Wong, June 17
- Jerry Clayton, June 18
- Bruce McKiel, June 18
- Theo Brown, June 18
- Hannah Barrett, June 19
- Marilyn Galbraith, June 20

“Remember you are a Child of God through Baptism”

PRAYER

Parish Cycle of Prayer for Week of June 14-20

Mon: Steven and Linda Vair

Tue: Nicole Vair

Wed: Arthur and Susan VanWart

Thur: Carol Webb

Fri: St. Rose School and its Teachers and Students.

Please pray for these parishioners and ministry this week.

Prayer for folks in nursing or special care homes

Ginny Abbott, Frances Finley, Ann Hoben, Ruth Northeast, Arlene Trask

Prayer for those in hospital or sick at home

Andrew Aalund, Diane Basque, Margaret Boyer, Edith Chilton, Shelly Clark Collins, Linda Cunningham, Jo-Ann Diamond, Bonnie Dean, Wendy DeWitt, Ernest Ellingwood, Barb Ellis, Debbie Green, Grenville Ingraham, Kaye Mallory, Pam Melanson, Michael Penchoff, Susan Penchoff, Carol Price, Margaret Ann Reid, Lois Shaw, Bob Sherwood, Mykayla Spinney, Norm Toole, Dennis Totton, Joe Totton, Robbie Wong.

Saint John Mission to Seafarers Prayer Cycle:

In June, we pray for Port Authorities that they may be blessed in managing the harbours of the world.

OUR PARISH PRAYER TREE

A team of volunteers is available upon request, to pray for you or your loved one (with their permission) daily, for two weeks. These prayers will be treated with the strictest confidence. Prayer-requests should be short and to the point, and will be passed on verbatim. The Lord knows what we need best! A follow-up of thanks or an update encourages our intercessors in their ministry.

To initiate the prayer-tree ministry please call your request to our “Captain”, Ngaire Nelson (672-8666)