

Loving God. Loving People. Growing in Christ Together.

Presiding: Assisting:

March 26, 2023 10am

Service of Morning Prayer for the

The Reverend Brian Suggs The Reverend Deacon Jennifer Cameron Natania Friesen

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

We are a Christian community who celebrates and enacts the love of God in our common life of prayer and service in this neighbourhood. Children are full members of our church and we welcome their presence and participation in our worship. Please feel free to sit at any time during the service.

> Prelude: "Schmuke dich, O liebe Seele" BWV 654 J.S. Bach

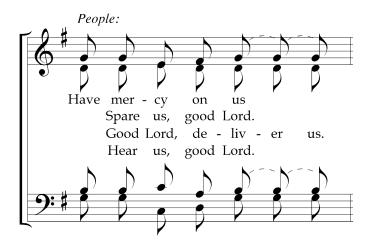
> > Welcome

The Great Litany:

The chancel party enters by the sacristy doors. Please stand as you are able.

Presider: In this season of Lent, the Church calls on us to deepen and widen our prayer to Almighty God for all people everywhere. The prayers of this great litany were raised in the early church in times of hardship and need. These prayers were the first to be offered in the English language, and these were the prayers which the first parishioners of All Saints' Kingsway raised on a regular basis. Let us now join with Christians in all times everywhere as we pray for the whole world and our own forgiveness.

Prayer of Approach to God:Leader:God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,People:Have mer-cy on us.



Leader: People:	God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer- <u>cy</u> on us.
Leader: People:	God the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide, Have mer-<u>c</u>y on us .
Leader: People:	O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, Three persons and one God, Have mer-<u>c</u>y on us .
	Prayers for Deliverance:
Leader:	Lord, remember not our offenses, nor the offenses of our forebears. Spare us, good Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed with your most precious blood.
People:	Spare <u>us</u> , good Lord.
Leader:	From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from your wrath and from everlasting condemnation,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From all spiritual blindness; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity,

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader: From earthquake and tempest; from drought, fire, and flood; from civil strife and violence; from war and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,*People:* Good Lord, deliver us.

Prayers Recalling Christ's Saving Work:

Leader: By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation; and by your proclamation of the kingdom.

People: Good Lord, deliver us.

- *Leader:* By your agony and bitter grief; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial; by your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit,
- *People:* Good Lord, deliver us.
- *Leader:* In our times of trouble; in our times of prosperity; in the hour of death, and on the day of judgment
- *People:* Good <u>Lord</u>, deliver us.

Prayers of Intercession for our Country:

- *Leader:* Receive now our prayers, Lord God. May it please you to rule and govern your holy Church universal in your way,
- *People:* Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.

Leader: Strengthen your servant Charles our King in true worship and holiness of life, be his defender and keeper, that he may always seek your honour and glory, and endue the leaders of this nation with wisdom and understanding.

People: Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.

Leader: Bless and defend all who strive for our safety and protection, and shield them in all dangers and adversities.

People: Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.

- *Leader:* Grant wisdom and insight to those who govern us, and to judges and magistrates the grace to execute justice with mercy.
- *People:* Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.

Prayers for the Church:

- *Leader:* Enlighten all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of your Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may declare it clearly, and show its truth,
- *People:* Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.
- *Leader:* Bless all your servants preparing for ministry in your Church. Pour out your grace upon them that they may serve others as Christ himself has served us, for the building up of his Body in love.
- *People:* Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.
- *Leader:* Encourage and prosper your servants who spread the gospel to all the world, and send out labourers into the harvest.
- *People:* Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.

Leader: Bless and keep all your people, that all may find and follow their true vocation and ministry. Hear us, good Lord. People: Leader: Give us a heart to love and reverence you, that we may diligently live according to your commandments People: Hear us, good Lord. Leader: Strengthen those who stand firm in the faith, encourage the faint-hearted; raise up those who fall; and finally beat down Satan under our feet, People: Hear us, good Lord. Prayers for All People: Leader: To all nations grant unity, peace, and concord, and to all people give dignity, food and shelter. Hear us, good Lord. People: Leader: Grant us abundant harvests, strength, and skill to conserve the resources of the earth, and wisdom to use them well. People: Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord. Leader: Enlighten with your Spirit all who teach and all who learn. People: Hear us, good Lord. Leader: Come to the help of all who are in danger, necessity, and trouble; protect all who travel by land, air, or water; and show your pity on all prisoners and captives, People: Hear us, good Lord. Leader: Strengthen and preserve all women who are in childbirth, and all young children, and comfort the aged and lonely. Hear us, good Lord. People:

- *Leader:* Defend and provide for the widowed and the orphaned, the refugees and the homeless, the unemployed, and all who are desolate and oppressed.
- *People:* Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.
- *Leader:* Heal those who are sick in body or mind, and give skill and compassion to all who care for them.

People: Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.

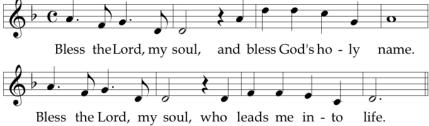
Leader: Grant us true repentance, forgive our sins, and strengthen us by your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy word.

People: Hear <u>us</u>, good Lord.



Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us peace and unity according to your will, you who are God, living and reigning world without end. People: Amen. Presider: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: People: O come, let us worship. Presider: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. People: Know this: The Lord himself is God: he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Presider: Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name. People: For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age. Presider: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: People: O come, let us worship.

> Psalm 126 Bless the Lord, My Soul Jacques Berthier (1923-1994) Please remain seated.



Choir: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
 then were we like those who dream.
 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.

People: Bless the Lord, my soul ...

Choir: Then they said among <u>the</u> nations, *
"The Lord has done great things <u>for</u> them."
The Lord has done great things <u>for</u> us, * and we are glad <u>in</u>-deed.

People: Bless the Lord, my soul ...

Choir: Restore our fortunes, <u>O</u> Lord, * like the watercourses of <u>the</u> Negev. Those who sowed <u>with</u> tears * will reap with songs <u>of</u> joy.

People: Bless the Lord, my soul ...

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Reader: Peace Rukundo

Reader: A reading from the book of Ezekiel.

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied

as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Reader:The word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem: Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee (S. Lole)

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation: Laudate Dominum Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)



The Holy Gospel: John 11:1-45 Gospeller: The Reverend Deacon Jennifer Cameron

Gospeller:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: (Sung) Glory to you, O Lord, Glory and honour...

Gospeller: Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus,

"Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world." When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were

with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Gospeller:The Gospel of Christ.People:(Sung) Praise be to you, O Lord....

Please be seated.

Sermon: The Reverend Brian Suggs

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Affirmation of Faith:

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: I invite those who would like to make a profession of Christian faith to join me as we say:

People: 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 soul, 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.

Presider: Let us now prepare to offer our prayers to God.

Please sit or kneel, as you're able.

Prayers of the People: Intercessor: Reverend Deacon Jennifer Cameron

For the Church, those in authority, the world, our community, the sick and those in need, and for the departed.

The Lord's Prayer:

Presider:As our Saviour 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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.
Presider:	O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
People:	And grant us thy salvation.
Presider: People: Presider: People:	O Lord, save the King; And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness; And make thy chosen people joyful.
Presider:	O Lord, save thy people;
People:	And bless thine inheritance.
Presider:	Give peace in our time, O Lord;
People:	And evermore mightily defend us.
Presider:	O God, make clean our hearts within us;
People:	And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
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The Prayer of the Day:

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Grace:

O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Strength:

Eternal God, you create us by your power and redeem us by your love. Guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves today in love and service to one another and to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all you have done for us. We thank you for the splendour of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone. Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom. Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. **Amen.**

> Offertory Hymn 617: Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee *Tune: St. Botolph*

It's during the singing of this hymn that we give our offerings. For those present in person, an offering plate will be passed. If online, you can click the link to give your offering through Canada Helps. https://allsaintskingsway.ca/give

Jesus! the very thought of thee, with sweetness fills the breast; But sweeter far thy face to see, And in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind recall a sweeter sound than Jesus' name, the Saviour of us all.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek; to those who ask, how kind thou art, how good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be; in thee be all our glory now, and through eternity.

-Gordon Archbold Slater (1896-1979)

Prayer over the Gifts:

Presider:Giver of life,
your Son has destroyed the power
of death for all those who believe in him.
Accept all we offer you this day
and strengthen us in faith and
hope; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of
all the living. Amen.

Parish Announcements:

The Blessing:

Please stand as you are able.

Presider:Look with compassion,
O Lord, upon this your people;
that, rightly living this holy season,
we may learn to know you more fully,
and to serve you with a more perfect will;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Closing Hymn 447: Lord, We Hear Your Word Tune: Blaenwern

Lord, we hear your word with gladness: you have spoken we rejoice: words of love and life and freedom help us make their truth our choice! Now in holy celebration for your Word we worship you; spoken, written, known in Jesus, ours today to prove anew. May we hear with understanding, by your Spirit taught and led; may the springs of all our being by your living Word be fed; may our hearts accept with meekness all the grace your light makes known; may obedience mark our footsteps till we make each word our own!

You have spoken; yours the fullness, ours the wealth of this your Word: debtors, then as living letters, we must make our gospel heard! By your Spirit's power transform us; shed your saving light abroad till our lives by love in action show our world the truth of God!

The Dismissal:

Leader: Go forth on your Lenten journey in the power of God's love. People: Thanks be to God!

> Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in a-minor, BWV 559 J.S. Bach



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HOLY WEEK & EASTER

APRIL 6 MAUNDY THURSDAY

6pm - Dinner 7pm - Holy Communion

APRIL 7 GOOD FRIDAY 10am - Family Service 12pm - Solemn Service

APRIL 8 EASTER VIGIL 8pm - Holy Communion

APRIL 9 EASTER SUNDAY 8am, 10am, 7pm - Holy Communion

Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt following the IOam service!

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of Barry Firman, given by Donna

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