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Loving God. Loving People. Growing in Christ Together.

Leading: The Rev. Brian Suggs

Welcome:

The Greeting:

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia! People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

A candle is lit.

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you!

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

John 4.24

Opening Prayer:

Leader: God of our days and years,

we set this time apart for you. Form us in the likeness of Christ so that our lives may glorify you.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise #460: Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining

Bible Reading: 1 John 4:7-21

Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love. God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has

ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us. And God has given us his Spirit as proof that we live in him and he in us. Furthermore, we have seen with our own eyes and now testify that the Father sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. All who declare that Jesus is the Son of God have God living in them, and they live in God. We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world. Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not fully experienced his perfect love. We love each other because he loved us first. If someone says, "I love God," but hates a fellow believer, that person is a liar; for if we don't love people we can see, how can we love God, whom we cannot see? And he has given us this command: Those who love God must also love their fellow believers.

Bible Reading: **John 15:1-8**

"I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn't produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is thrown away like a useless branch

and withers. Such branches are gathered into a pile to be burned. But if you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask for anything you want, and it will be granted! When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Talk: *The Rev. Brian Suggs*

The Apostles Creed:

After hearing the scriptures read and hearing more about them during 'the talk', we respond with our beliefs about who God is.

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.

Song of Praise: **Be Still** *Aled Jones*

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, The holy One, is here;
Come bow before him now
With reverence and fear
In him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, With splendour he is crowned: How awesome is the sight Our radiant king of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord Is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place:
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister his grace No work too hard for him.
In faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place.

Prayer:

This is a time to bring those people and things that are on our hearts and minds to God. Intercessions (prayers said for others) are offered and we end by saying the prayer that Jesus taught us, The Lord's Prayer.

We pray to Jesus, Lord of life, in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, light of the world,

bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations of this earth [pray for peace in the world, especially where there is war and conflict].

Jesus, Lord of life,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, bread of life,

give food to the hungry and nourish us all with your word [pray for those who are hungry, homeless, poor, and in need]

Jesus, Lord of life,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life,

be with us and all who follow you in the way.

Forgive us our sins and offences [take a moment and confess to God your own sins and shortcomings].

Jesus, Lord of life,

in your mercy, hear us.

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep, recover the straggler, bind up the injured, heal the sick and lead us all to new pastures [pray for all who are sick, alone and isolated, and for all face difficult times and trials].

Jesus, Lord of life, in your mercy, hear us.

A11:

Jesus, the resurrection and the life,
we give you thanks for all who have lived and believed in
you. Raise us with them to eternal life.
Jesus, Lord of life,
in your mercy, hear us,
accept our prayers, and be with us always. Amen.

Leader: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace:

Just as we've made peace with God through confession, this is an opportunity to make peace with one another. You're invited to greet one another.

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Holy Communion:

Leader: The Lord is here.

All: His Spirit is with us. Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all

creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but

came to meet us in your Son.

All: You embraced us as your children

and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

Leader: In Christ you shared our life

that we might live in him and he in us.

All: He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

Leader: On the night he was betrayed,

at supper with his friends

he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for

you; do this in remembrance of me.

All: Father, we do this in remembrance of him:

his body is the bread of life.

Leader: At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,

he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the

forgiveness of sins;

do this in remembrance of me.

All: Father, we do this in remembrance of him:

his blood is shed for all.

Leader: As we proclaim his death and celebrate his

rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and

blood of your dear Son.

All: As we eat and drink these holy gifts

make us one in Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

All are invited to come forward. Those who are baptised can extend their hands to receive the bread and wine. Those not yet baptised can cross their arms over their chest to receive a blessing.

Prayer after Communion:

Leader: God our strength and salvation,

receive all we offer you this day,

and grant that we who have confessed your name,

and received new life in baptism,

may live in the joy of the resurrection,

through Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Song of Praise: 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Matt Redman

Verse 1:

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; It's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the even- ing comes.

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship Your holy name.

Verse 2:

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger. Your name is great, and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus

Verse 3:

And on that day when my strength is failing, The end draws near, and my time has come; Still my soul will sing Your praise unending: Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

Chorus

Ending:

I'll worship Your holy name. Yes, I'll worship Your holy name.

Closing Prayer:

Leader:

Almighty God, grant that your holy word which has been proclaimed this day may enter into our hearts through your grace, that it may produce in us the fruit of the Spirit for witness and service in the world and to the praise and honour of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Blessing:

Leader: The God of peace,

who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you And remain with you always.

Amen.

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REMINDER - There will be ONE service next Sunday, May 5 at 10am. The 8am and 1pm services will resume on Sunday, May 12.

Fathers Patrick and Brian along with Natania Friesen, our Lay Pastoral Associate, will be attending the Alpha Leadership Conference in London. Pastoral care will be provided by The Rev. Deacon Jennifer Cameron in our absence. She can be reached at 416-233-1125 or at her confidential email - deacon@allsaintskingsway.ca.





42nd ANNUAL SPRING SALE

Yes, it's time to start thinking "Spring Sale". Our sale will be held this year on Saturday, May 4th from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. We will be accepting donations as of SUNDAY, MARCH 31st.

In order to be successful we need to concentrate on the things that sell well:

Clean, gently-used clothing; treasures; collectibles; vintage items; books (but no text books or coffee table books); cd's, dvd's (but no VHS tapes); jewellery; small furniture (no dining room sets, couches, chests of drawers, beds); toys and games; pictures (but no picture frames); lamps; small electrical appliances; house wares and kitchenware; sports equipment and bicycles.

Please do not donate tools or electronic equipment (other than flat-screen t.v.'s) and please do not donate Christmas items (these do not sell at this time of year).

Commencing Sunday, March 31 until Sunday, April 28 items can be dropped off on the auditorium stage during the following times:

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Oh yes, BOXES, BOXES...We need lots of **liquor store boxes** to store donations in, after we have sorted them. Most outlets will give you 4 or 5 at a time and you don't even have to buy something!

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