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8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon



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Archbishop of the Province of the West Indies & Bishop of Barbados, Fr. Luther Johnson and congregation at the Dedication of the Garden of Remembrance

Sunday, February 25, 2018

Second Sunday In Lent

Celebrating Our Spirituality

To experience and share God's reconciling love

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WELCOME TO EVERYONE

**Please take a moment to TURN OFF all cell phones as the signal interferes with our sound system.
Thank you.**

Our Head Usher for today is Mrs. Marcia Burton.

Greeting & Welcome

We welcome you to this Eucharist of praise and thanksgiving. We are happy to have our parish family back together again to give God thanks and praise for His great goodness. We especially welcome those of you who are visiting with us. We hope that you will enjoy our service and it will be a blessing to you.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sung Eucharist & Sermon

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Introduction of Service:

The Leader welcomes the congregation and introduces the service. *(Please remember that the Alleluias & Glorias after the acclamation are omitted during Lent.)*

Preparation:

Leader: And now as we prepare for worship, let us bow our heads and hearts before Almighty God in the words of our preparation.

*Come by here Lord, come by here;
Come by here Lord, come by here;
Come by here Lord, come by here,
O Lord, come by here.*

*Someone needs you Lord, come by here;
Someone needs you Lord, come by here;
Someone needs you Lord, come by here;
O Lord, come by here.*

*Send a blessing Lord, come by here;
Send a blessing Lord, come by here;
Send a blessing Lord, come by here;
O Lord, come by here.*

Leader: Let us Pray together the Collect for Purity:

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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

Opening Prayer

Introit Hymn:

CH 367 *Fill thou my life, O Lord my God*

1. *Fill thou my life, O Lord my God,
In every part with praise,
That my whole being may proclaim
thy being and thy ways.*
2. *Not for the lip of praise alone,
Nor e'en the praising heart,
I ask, but for a life made up
of praise in every part!*
3. *Praise in the common things of life,
Its goings our and in;
Praise in each duty and deed,
However small and mean.*
4. *Fill every part of me with praise:
Let all my being speak
of thee and of thy love, O Lord,
Poor though I be, and weak.*
5. *So shalt thou, Lord, receive from me
The praise and glory due;
And so shall I begin on earth
the song forever new.*
6. *So shall each fear, each fret, each care
be turnèd into a song,
And every winding of the way
the echo shall prolong;*
7. *So shall no part of day or night
unblest or common be;
But all my life, in every step,
Be fellowship with thee.*

Opening Sentences: (Lent)

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Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:1,2*

Acclamation & Prayer of Intent:

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PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

ALL

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

ALL

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

The Kyries & Gloria:

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

1ST Lesson: Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16

Youth

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. ¹⁵God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm:22: 22-30 *(congregation remain seated)* **Page 494 BCP**

22. *Praise the Lord, you that fear him;* stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob's line, give glory.*
23. *For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them;* but when they cry to him he hears them.*
24. *My praise is of him in the great assembly;* I will perform my vows in the*

presence of those who worship him.

25. *The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him.* “May your heart live for ever!”*
26. *All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord,* and all the families of the nation shall bow before him.*
27. *For kingship belongs to the Lord;* he rules over the nations.*
28. *To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship,* all who go down to the dust fall before him.*
29. *My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him;* they shall be known as the Lord’s for ever.*
30. *They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn* the saving deeds that he has done.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit*

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end Amen*

2ND Lesson: Romans 4: 13-25

Youth

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, ‘I have made you the father of many nations’)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become ‘the father of many nations’, according to what was said, ‘So numerous shall your descendants be.’ ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith ‘was reckoned to him as righteousness.’ ²³Now the words, ‘it was reckoned to him’, were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours

also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: CH 529

Lord the light of your love is shining

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining:
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us —
shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.*

*Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord and let there be light!*

2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by your blood I may enter your brightness:
search me, try me, consume all my darkness —
shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.*

*Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord and let there be light!*

(Final verse after Gospel)

PRIEST: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

The Gospel: Mark 8: 31-38

(congregation remain standing for the Gospel)

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels

READER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

Gradual Hymn *(Final Verse)*

3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory:
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story —
shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.*

*Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord and let there be light!*

THE SERMON

Reflection:

In my life Lord

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In your Church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;

In your Church, Lord, be glorified today

The Nicene Creed

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfilment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge
the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.**

**With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead.
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

The Bidding Prayer

Intercessions: Form D Pg 111 Youth

LEADER

Our Heavenly Father has promised through our Lord Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. Let us therefore pray for the Church and the World, and let us thank God for His goodness.

Silence may be kept.

LEADER

We pray for the Church of God in every place; especially for this Diocese, our Bishop _____ and all the people of God.

ALL

Strengthen your Church to carry forward the work of Christ; that we and all who confess your Name may unite in truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

LEADER

We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, especially _____; and for all peoples in their various callings.

ALL

Direct this nation and all nations in the ways of justice and truth. Give wisdom

to all in positions of public trust and authority; that they may promote the prosperity, godliness and peace of your people everywhere.

LEADER

We pray for our own community, for this parish, for our families, friends, and all who live and work with us.

ALL

Give grace to all our friends and neighbours in Christ, that we may serve Him in one another and grow together in His love.

LEADER

We pray for the poor, the sick, the unemployed, the handicapped; all who have requested our prayers and all who seek the prayers of the Church in their time of trouble.

ALL

Give healing and strength to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and sustain all who remember and care for them.

LEADER

We commemorate the departed, especially _____

ALL

We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom.

Silence may be kept.

LEADER

Accept these prayers, O Lord our God, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

ALL Amen.

PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A period of silence shall be kept.

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM A

ALL

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. *Amen*

FORM B

Most Merciful God, 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 have not loved ourselves as we ought. 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.*

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL *Amen.*

THE GREETING OF PEACE **Page 124/125**

FORM A

PRESIDENT

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

Form B

PRESIDENT

If your are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

ALL

Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Form C

PRESIDENT

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL And also with you.

The Peace Song:

Let there be love shared

Offertory Hymn:

CH 550 *I danced in the morning*

1. I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon
and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth,
at Bethlehem
I had my birth

Refrain:

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.*

2. I danced for the scribe
and the Pharisee
but they would not dance
and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for fishermen,
for James and John -
they came with me
and the Dance went on:

Refrain:

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,*

*And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.*

3. I danced on the Sabbath
and I cured the lame:
the holy people
said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped
and they hung me on high,
and they left me there
on a cross to die:

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.*

4. I danced on a Friday
when the sky turned black -
It's hard to dance
with the devil on your back.
They buried my body
and they thought I'd gone;
But I am the Dance
and I still go on:

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He.*

Final verse after offertory Pray

The Offertory Prayer:

PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE,

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become

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through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Offertory Hymn: *(Final verse)*

5. They cut me down
and I leapt up high;
I am the Life
that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you
if you'll live in Me -
I am the Lord
of the Dance, said He!

Refrain

*Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He*

THE EUCHARIST

Sursum Corda: (The Lord be with you)

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PRESIDENT The Lord be with you.

ALL **And also with you.**

PRESIDENT Lift up your hearts.

ALL **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRESIDENT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Proper Preface: (LENT)

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For you bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Sanctus: (Holy, Holy, Holy)

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Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name

ALL

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Eucharistic Prayer C

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PRESIDENT

We give thanks to you Lord our God,
for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

For on the night he was betrayed
He took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it and gave it to his disciples,
and said, "Take this, and eat it:
this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper
He took the cup of wine;
and when He had given thanks,
He gave it to them and said,
"Drink this, all of you;
This is my body of the New Covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

ALL

We remember his death

**We proclaim his resurrection
we await his coming in glory.**

PRESIDENT

And we offer our sacrifice of praise
and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send
your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that
they may be the sacrament of the body
of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things
in Christ, and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn
of all creation, the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty Father, now and ever.

The Lord's Prayer:

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PRESIDENT

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL

**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.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread:

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One of the following may be used

PRESIDENT

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

or

PRESIDENT

God of promise, You have prepared a Banquet for us.

ALL

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

or

PRESIDENT

This is the true bread which comes from heaven.

ALL

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

The Agnus Dei: (Lamb of God)

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

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

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

Invitation to Communion:

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Form A

PRESIDENT

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL

Grant gracious Lord, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen.

Form B

PRESIDENT

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

Form C

PRESIDENT

Draw near and receive the Body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

ALL

We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore Lord of grace and love that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink his blood that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

The Administration of Communion:

During the singing of the Communion Hymns, we invite to the Lord's Table all those persons who are communicant members in this church and in their respective churches. Please remember to place your arm across your chest if you are taking communion by intinction, that is, by the Priest dipping the bread into the wine

Communion Hymn: CH 112 *Christian dost thou see*

1. Christian, dost thou see them
on the holy ground,
how the troops of Midian
prowl and prowl around?
Christian, up and smite them,
counting gain but loss;
smite them by the merit
of the holy cross.
2. Christian, dost thou feel them,
how they work within,
striving, tempting, luring,
goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble;
never be down-cast;

smite them by the virtue
of the Lenten fast.

3. Christian, dost thou hear them,
how they speak thee fair?
“Always fast and vigil?
Always watch and prayer?”
Christian, answer boldly,
“While I breathe I pray:”
peace shall follow battle,
night shall end in day.
4. “Well I know thy trouble,
O my servant true;
thou art very weary,
I was weary too;
but that toil shall make thee
some day all mine own,
and the end of sorrow
shall be near my throne.”

Communion Hymn CH 407 *As the deer pants*

1. As the deer pants for the water
So my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.

Refrain:

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
To you alone my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.*

2. I want you more than gold or silver
Only you can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-given
And the apple of my eye.

Refrain:

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
To you alone my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You*

3. You are my Friend and you are my Brother
Even though you are a king.
I love you more than any other
So much more than anything.

Refrain:

*You alone are my strength, my shield,
To you alone my spirit yield
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You*

Communion Hymn CH 619 *Soul of my Saviour*

1. Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,
body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,
blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
wash me with water flowing from thy side.
2. Strength and protection may thy passion be,
O blessed Jesu, hear and answer me;
deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,
so shall I never, never part from thee.
3. Guard and defend me from the foe malign,
in death's dread moments make me only thine;
call me and bid me come to thee on high
where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay

Communion Hymn CH 549 *Hear O Lord the sound of my call*

Refrain:

*Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
hear, O Lord, and have mercy
My soul is longing for the glory of you.*

O hear, O Lord, and answer me.

1. Every night before I sleep
I pray my soul to take,
Or else I pray that loneliness
is gone when I awake

Refrain

*Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
hear, O Lord, and have mercy
My soul is longing for the glory of you.
O hear, O Lord, and answer me.*

2. Why do I no longer feel
like I've a place to stay?
O take me where someone will care,
So fear will go away.

Refrain

*Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
hear, O Lord, and have mercy
My soul is longing for the glory of you.
O hear, O Lord, and answer me.*

3. In you, O Lord, I place my cares
and all my troubles, too.
O grant, dear Lord, that someday soon
I'll live in peace with you.

Refrain

*Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call;
hear, O Lord, and have mercy
My soul is longing for the glory of you.
O hear, O Lord, and answer me.*

Communion Hymn CH 851 *Seek ye first the kingdom of God*

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

2. Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.
3. Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened up to you.
Allelu, alleluia.

During the singing of the next hymn, all children who are not confirmed are invited to the Altar for a Blessing.

Hymn for the Blessing & Recommitment: CH 641 *All things bright and beautiful*

Refrain:

*ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

1. Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.

Refrain:

*ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

2. The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky;-

Refrain:

*ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

3. The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,-
He made them every one;

Refrain:

*ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

4. The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water,
We gather every day;-

Refrain:

*ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

5. He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell,
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

Refrain:

*ALL things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,*

*All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

Post Communion Prayer: Form B

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ALL

**Almighty Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we who share His Body
live His risen life;
we who drink His cup bring life to others;
we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world.
Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your Name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Or

**Eternal God and Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you and all persons in you
with gladness and singleness of heart,
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Or

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members
of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses
of Christ our Lord.
To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen**

Final Blessing:

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Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow Him; and the blessing .of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL Amen.

Additional Notices and Announcements:

Hymn of Eucharistic Thanksgiving:

CH 432

Lift up your heads

1. LIFT up your heads, ye gates of brass;
Ye bars of iron, yield;
And let the King of Glory pass;
The Cross is in the field.
2. That banner, brighter than the star
That leads the train of night,

Shines on the march, and guides from far
His servants to the fight.

3. A holy war those servants wage;
In that mysterious strife,
The powers of Heav'n and hell engage
For more than death or life.
4. Ye armies of the living God,
Sworn warriors of Christ's host,
Where hallowed footsteps never trod,
Take your appointed post.
5. Though few and small and weak your bands,
Strong in your Captain's strength,
Go to the conquest of all lands:
All must be His at length.
6. The spoils at His victorious Feet
You shall rejoice to lay,
And lay yourselves as trophies meet,
In His great judgment day.
7. Then fear not, faint not, halt not now;
In Jesus' Name be strong!
To Him shall all the nations bow,
And sing the triumph song-
8. Uplifted are the gates of brass,
The bars of iron yield;
Behold the King of Glory pass;
The Cross hath won the field.

Dismissal & Benediction:

May God's blessing surround you each day,

As you trust Him and walk in His way.

May His presence within guard and keep you from sin,

Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

God Woke Me Up This Morning

*With a gentle touch
He softly called my name
Arise dear child, He said
Arise and welcome another day
For with ~~With~~ a gentle touch
He softly ~~is~~ trials and temptations
There's work for you to do.*

*As I turned and stretched and yawned
He whispered, good morning my child
It is time to arise
So with opened eyes and a grateful heart
I thanked my God
For waking me up this morning.*

Adelle Springer

Stewardship

All members are asked to pick-up their Stewardship envelopes from the back of the church.

Patronal Festival

The St. Matthias Church will be celebrating its Patronal Festival from 25 February to 4 March, 2018. The theme "Love Embraces All". Each night a subtheme inspired by the Fruits of the Spirit in Paul's missive to the Galatians will be used.

Happy Birthday

<i>Mrs. Pearlyn Blaize-King</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>
<i>Miss Oriel Chandler</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>
<i>Ms. Cecile Gaskin</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>
<i>Mrs. Delphia Ward</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>
<i>Mr. Andrew Green</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>
<i>Miss Alma Lovell</i>	<i>Thurs</i>	<i>Mar 1</i>
<i>Ms. Joycelin Farley</i>	<i>Thurs</i>	<i>Mar 1</i>
<i>Mrs. Pearl McFarlene</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Mar 2</i>
<i>Mr. Arleigh Cobham</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Mar 2</i>

Children Birthday

<i>Shemiah Davis</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Feb 26</i>	<i>(15 yrs)</i>
<i>Jonathon Worrell</i>	<i>Tues</i>	<i>Feb 27</i>	<i>(6 yrs)</i>

Our Prayer List

Please remember and pray for those who are travelling.

Please remember and pray for those who are in hospital:

Please remember and pray for those who are recuperating:

Cecile Isaacs Grafton Brathwaite

Please Remember those who have requested the prayers of the Church:

<i>Stanley Medford</i>	<i>Monica Downes</i>	<i>Joyce Fitt</i>	<i>Cecily Bourne</i>
<i>Vincent Callendar,</i>	<i>Coral Yearwood</i>	<i>Edlin Chandler</i>	<i>Joyce Clarke</i>
<i>Esther Hurley</i>	<i>Margo Hamblin</i>	<i>Ventris Gooding</i>	<i>Yolanda Franklyn</i>
<i>Bernard Sealey</i>	<i>Jimmy Adams</i>	<i>Seibert Scantlebury</i>	<i>Henderson Hinds</i>
<i>Elsie Clarke</i>	<i>Alexis Alleyne</i>	<i>Mr. & Mrs. Sylvester Jones</i>	

Please remember and pray for those who are sick & shut-in

<i>Ometa Allamby</i>	<i>Erma Babb</i>	<i>Eric Best</i>	<i>Grafton Brathwaite</i>
<i>Doreen Brathwaite</i>	<i>Isolene Mason</i>	<i>Marjorie McCollin</i>	<i>Marge Walke</i>
<i>Tony Whittaker</i>	<i>Maureen Workman</i>	<i>Patricia Lorde (Snr.),</i>	<i>Agnes Mars</i>
<i>Anita Skeete</i>	<i>Ruth Greaves</i>	<i>Carmen Shepherd</i>	<i>Alison Stanton</i>

Please remember and pray for those who grieve

<i>Carmen Shepherd & Family on the death of her husband Gordon Shepherd</i>	<i>Margaret Sobers & Family on the death of her mother Marion Hinkson;</i>	<i>Joycelin Farley & Family on the death of her mother Esmay Boyce</i>
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*We remember all those who have died. May the Almighty God, who gave them life,
take them back to himself and grant them eternal peace.*

Calendar for the Week Ahead

MONDAY 26th February

Priest's Sabbath

TUESDAY 27th February

6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. Children's Breakfast Prog.

WEDNESDAY 28th February

6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. Children's Breakfast Prog.

12:05 p.m. Midweek Mass

THURSDAY 1st March

6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. Children's Breakfast Prog.

6:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

FRIDAY 2nd March

6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. Children's Breakfast Prog.

4:30 p.m. - Friday School

7:30 p.m. - Youth Group

SATURDAY 3rd March

3:00 p.m. Reading Club

NEXT SUNDAY, 4th March, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

8:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist & Sermon

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

READINGS:

Exodus 20: 1-17

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Psalms 19

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1 Corinthians 1: 18-25

A Word of Encouragement

***When large numbers of people share their joy in common,
the happiness of each is greater because each adds fuel to
the other's flame.***

St. Augustine

Coming –Up

The Sunday School

Presents 'Harvest of Love'

***Featuring performances from other
organizations & specially invited guests***

Sunday, March 11, 2018

