

ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Sun, February 16, 2025, 10:30am Eucharist

The crèche (nursery) is downstairs and is attended by Renata (RECE). All babies and young children are welcome!

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Processional Hymn: #439 Blest Are the Pure in Heart

PLEASE STAND

- 1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God;
The secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.
- 2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with us, our pattern and our King,
- 3 Still to the lowly soul his presence doth impart,
And for a dwelling and a throne chooseth the pure in heart.
- 4 Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be:
Give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple fit for thee.

The Apostolic Greeting & Collect for Purity

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Almighty God,

People: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

Song of Praise: Song of Creation (Benedicite Omnia Opera)



1. All you works of the Lord glo-ri - fy the Lord,
2. All you ang - els of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
3. Let the earth bless the Lord, glo-ri - fy the Lord,
4. Let the peo - ple of God glo-ri - fy the Lord,
5. God - the Fa - ther, we sing: glo-ri - fy the Lord,



In the fir - ma - ment, glo - ri - fy the Lord
 Sun and moon and stars glo - ri - fy the Lord,
 All you beasts of the wild glo - ri - fy the Lord,
 All you ser - vants of God glo - ri - fy the Lord,
 God the Son, we - ex - alt: glo - ri - fy the Lord,



Praise and mag - ni - fy, glo - ry fy the
 Night and day bless the Lord, glo - ri - fy the
 All you birds of the air glo - ri - fy the
 All you hum - ble of heart glo - ri - fy the
 God the Spi - rit, we praise: glo - ri - fy the



Lord, glo - ri - fy the Lord.
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The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

PLEASE BE SEATED

First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-10

Read by Ceceile Dennis-Arthurs

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse - who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 147:1-6

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

There is one Lord, one faith, one bap - ti - sm;
There is one God who is Fath - er of all.

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Choir: How good it is to sing praise to our God! How pleasant it is to honour him with praise.
The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; he gathers all the exiles of Israel.

People: **There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; tThere is one God who is Father of all.**

Choir: He heals with love the broken-hearted, and binds up all their wounds.
He counts the number of the stars, and calls them all, them all by their names.

People: **There is one Lord . . .**

Choir: Great is our Lord and mighty in power; there is no limit to his wisdom.
The Lord lifts up, lifts up the lowly but casts the wicked to the ground!

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Read by Bob James

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Church in Corinth.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ - whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Gospel Acclamation

PLEASE STAND

1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al -
2. Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ! Glo - ry to you, Lord
3. Praise be to you, Lord Je - sus Christ! Praise be to you, Lord



The Holy Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: *(sing verse 2)* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *(sing verse 3)* **Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon: Michael Thompson

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

Affirmation of Faith: The Creed of the Church of Philippi

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Let us stand and confess our faith in the words which St. Paul gave to the Church of Philippi. *(Philippians 2:6-11)*

People: **We believe that, though he was divine, Jesus did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing.**

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Led by Ceceile Dennis-Arthurs

Please respond to the petition "We pray to God," with the response, "let the light of Christ shine on us all."

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 Peace

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

People: And also with you.

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #375 At the Name of Jesus

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him King of glory now;
'Tis his Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.
- 2 Humbled for a season to receive a name
From the lips of sinners unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious when from death he passed.
- 3 Name him, Christians, name him, with love strong as death,
But with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;
He is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored.
- 4 In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue
All that is not holy, all that is not true;
Crown him as your Saviour in temptation's hour;
Let his will enfold you in its light and power.
- 5 Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again,
With his Father's glory, with his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him King of glory now.

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

PLEASE STAND

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:

(Sing in harmony)

1.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God of pow'r and might!
2.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Glo - ry fills the heav'n and earth!
3.Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Bless - ed is he who comes
4.Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!
5.Glo-ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho-san - na in the high - est!
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Ho-san - na in the high - est!
in the name of the Lord, Ho-san - na in the high - est!
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! Ho-san - na in the high - est!
Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry! A - men, A - men!

The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing:

People: (verse 4) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Hosanna in the highest!

The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing:

People: (verse 5) **Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord!**
Glory, glory, glory! Amen, amen!

Breaking of the Bread #1

Presider: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

Song for the Breaking of the Bread

1,2. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have
mer - cy on us. 3. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

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*All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion.
If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this.
Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

Music During Communion: God Is a Spirit

W. S. Bennett

Prayer after Communion

PLEASE STAND

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

All: **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Closing Hymn: CP #306 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.
- 2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
- 3 He speaks, and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 4 Hear him, ye deaf, ye voiceless ones, your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come, and leap, ye lame, for joy!
- 5 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honours of thy name.

Dismissal

Postlude: Laudamus Te

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