

Hilda's Anglican Church, Fairbank

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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10:30am

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MISSION STATEMENT

*The purpose of St. Hilda's Church is to be Christ-centered in our life and worship,
to serve lovingly those within our family and others within our reach
that the spirit of God might empower us for worship, service, education, stewardship,
evangelism and pastoral care*

The Order of Service

PRELUDE:

We have come into this House

OPENING PRAYER:

Uniting God,
we are all one body,
gathered by the same Spirit,
to serve in the name of the same Son.
Guide our worship this day
that we, as one body, might glorify your name
and be encouraged by your good Word.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL:

When morning gilds the skies

Text: German, c. 1800; tr. Edward Caswall, 1858, alt.

Tune: Joseph Barnby, 1868. LAUDES DOMINI

When morning gilds the sky,
our hearts awaking cry:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
in all our work and prayer
we ask his loving care:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let earth's wide circle round
in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let air and sea and sky
from depth to height reply:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, when day is past,
of all our thoughts the last:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

The night becomes as day
when from the heart we say:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Then let us join to sing
to Christ, our loving King:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song
through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

WELCOME *Fr. Kenute*

GREETING:

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

The heavens declare the glory of God
All creation proclaims God's handiwork.

It's time for the news. Here are the headlines:

Good news for the poor.
Release for captives.
New sight for the blind.
Liberty for the oppressed.
The declaration of God's accepting love.

Happy are they who receive it!

The love of God is complete, reviving the soul.
**Let the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart
be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,
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.

INTROIT: He Has made me glad

TEXT & MUSIC: Leona Von Brethorst

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart;
I will enter His court with praise.
I will say, "This is the day that the Lord has Made!"
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

(refrain)

He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad,
He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God,
by grace alone you call us
and accept us in your service.
Strengthen us by your Spirit,
and make us worthy of your call;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: **Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10** *(Andrea Clarke)*

A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 19

(Andrea Clarke)

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

**One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,
**Their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world.**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun;
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
**The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;
the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
**More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.**

By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.
**Who can tell how often he offends?
cleanse me from my secret faults.**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;
let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

THE GRADUAL:**Wonderful Words of Life**

Author: P. P. Bliss (1874)
Meter: 8.6.8.6.6 with *refrain*

Sing them over again to me,
Wonderful words of life;
Let me more of their beauty see,
Wonderful words of life;
Words of life and beauty
Teach me faith and duty.

(refrain)

Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life;
Beautiful words, wonderful words,
Wonderful words of life.

Christ, the blessed one, gives to all
Wonderful words of life;
Sinner, list to the loving call,
Wonderful words of life;
All so freely given,
Wooing us to heaven. (*refrain*)

Sweetly echo the gospel call,
Wonderful words of life;
Offer pardon and peace to all,
Wonderful words of life;
Jesus, only Saviour,
Sanctify forever. (*refrain*)

THE HOLY GOSPEL**Luke 4:14-21***Fr. Kenute Francis*

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

THE SERMON *Fr. Kenute Francis*

THE NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and 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,
of one 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 became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with 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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *(Edith Kwamie)*

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

O God of love, grant us your peace.

You reveal yourself to us in the reading of scripture.

Fulfil your word through the faithful witness of your church.

Send us out to bring your liberating good news to all people.

Where we struggle with insecurities and fears,

and where we are weighed down with issues

that affect our sense of worth and wholeness,

grant us peace that calms the inner turmoil of our souls

and affirms that we are beloved.

O God of love,

grant us your peace.

O God of life, grant us your peace.

Where we strive for relationships that are fair, equitable and filled with compassion, and find ourselves enslaved in conflicts with others,

even those we love, grant us the strength to listen with our hearts first
that we may grow in deeper connection with those whom
we call friends, co-workers, neighbours, and family.
O God of life,
grant us your peace.

O God of healing, grant us your peace.
Your Son bestowed healing, sight, freedom, and good news
to all who are in bondage to the powers of sin, evil and death.
Heal our land, heal our bodies.

Herein we remember those who are sick in our parish:
Ruth Andrews, Don Krasnovich, Doraline Alexander, Helen Hancock,
Gloria and Ancille Parsons, Barbara Gordon, Hyacinth Brooks, Mary Engels,
Marcia Sealy, Geane Goodman, Sophia Goodman, Ann Philips, Sylven Jones,
Ronald Robinson, Winsenn Topey and Doreen Ali.

And family and friends beyond our parish: especially, Hubert Adlam,
Margaret Hudson, Mark Quintal, Jeffrey Legair, Hermon Lobban, Lucy Lam,
Amanda Blackman, Elizabeth Rankin, Tegan Carlisle, Judy Flatts, Monica
Moore & Jason Aquiar.

O God of healing,
grant us your peace.

O God of hope, grant us your peace.
Where we have grown weary of the sounds of war, violence,
oppression and diminishment of men, women and children,
and where we fail to heed your urgent invitation to act for justice;
and where we are divided in our society, nation, or world,
come quickly to reunite us into one body.

Ease conflict, dispel violence, bring an end to war
and grant us the courage to extend our hands in acts of mercy,
service and peacemaking.

O God of hope,
grant us your peace.

O God of all creation, grant us your peace.
Where we fail to grasp your vision of the sacredness of creation,
make us more aware and weave us into oneness.
Grant us a glimpse of your love for creation in all its forms and the
compassion to act in ways that respect and honour the genius of your
universe.
**O God of all creation,
grant us your peace.**

O God of peace, we offer ourselves as vessels of your grace and peace,
so that from where we stand, waves of your loving presence will emanate
to bless your world. In and through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen.

THE CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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 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.

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 eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY: **Son of God Eternal Saviour**

Text: Somerset Corry Lowry (1893)

TUNE: CONVERSE 8.7.8.7 D

Son of God, eternal Saviour,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us,
hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory,
for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity,
heal our wrongs and help our need.

Bind us all as one together
in your Church's sacred fold,
weak and healthy, poor and wealthy,
sad and joyful, young and old.
Is there want or pain or sorrow?
Make us all the burden share.
Are there spirits crushed and broken?
Teach us, Lord, to soothe their care.

As you, Lord, have lived for others,
so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted;
freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver,
yours the wealth of land and sea;

we but stewards of your bounty
held in solemn trust will be.

Son of God, eternal Saviour,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race,
by your praying, by your willing
that your people should be one,
grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
here on earth your will be done.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Loving God,
before the world began you called us.
Make holy all we offer you this day,
and strengthen us in that calling.
Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCARISTIC PRAYER 1

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

It is indeed right that we should praise you,
gracious God, for you created all things.

You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us,
but opened a path of salvation for all people.
You made a covenant with Israel,
and through your servants Abraham and Sarah
gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints
who have served you in every age,
we give thanks and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**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.**

Holy God, source of life and goodness,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ,
to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.
He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;
he opened the eyes of the blind
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom
to the poor and to those in need.
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,
“Take, eat: 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 blood 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.”

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice
destroys the power of sin and death;
by raising him to life
you give us life for evermore.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Recalling his death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
and looking for his coming again in glory,
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,
that all who eat and drink at this table
may be one body and one holy people,
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**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 those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break the bread of life,
And that life is the light of the world.
**God here among us,
Light in the midst of us,
Bring us to light and life.**

The Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.**

THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God.

DURING COMMUNION

Draw the Circle *Gordon Light and Mark Miller*

(refrain)

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone.
Standing side by side, draw the circle.

God the still-point of the circle
Round you all creation turns
Nothing lost but held forever
in God's gracious arms. **(refrain)**

Let our hearts touch far horizons
So encompass great and small
Let our loving know no borders
Faithful to God's call. **(refrain)**

Let the dreams we dream be larger
Than we've ever dreamed before
Let the dream of Christ be in us
Open every door! **(refrain)**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God,
our hands have taken holy things;
our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son.
May we who have eaten at this holy table
be strengthened for service in your world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

THE BLESSING

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness,
who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,
bless your going out and your coming in.

The blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with you, this day and forevermore.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL:

Send the light

Text: Chas. H. Gabriel (1890)

TUNE: MCCABE (Gabriel)

There's a call comes ringing o'er the restless wave,
"Send the light! Send the light"

There are souls to rescue, there are souls to save,
Send the light! Send the light!

(chorus)

Send the light, the blessed gospel light;

Let it shine from shore to shore!

Send the light the blessed gospel light;

Let it shine forevermore!

We have heard the Macedonian call today,

"Send the light! Send the light!"

And a golden off'ring at the cross we lay,

Send the light! Send the light! *(chorus)*

Let us pray that grace may ev'rywhere abound,
"Send the light! Send the light!"
And a Christ-like spirit ev'rywhere be found,
Send the light! Send the light! (*chorus*)

Let us not grow weary in the work of love,
"Send the light! Send the light!"
Let us gather jewels for a crown above,
Send the light! Send the light! (*chorus*)

Postlude: ***The Priest March***
Mozzart

WELCOME

We welcome all who have joined us for worship online.
We are happy you are here and pray that our offerings of worship and service
will be a blessing to you. Please let us know how best we can serve you.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

- Today, 1:30pm - **Kids for Jesus (K4J)** –on YouTube, Facebook & website
- Monday, January 24, 7pm – Bible Study (*Zoom – check website*)
- Tuesday, January 25, 12noon - **Bite & Sip** – on Facebook
- Wednesday, January 26, 7:30pm - **Compline** – on Zoom
The place and significance of Scripture for our lives. (2 Timothy 3:14-17)
- Thursday, January 27, 12noon - **Bite & Sip** – on Facebook

NOTICES

Birthdays: *Tiffany Coombes (22nd), Dennis Hosannah (23rd),
Cheryl Harris (28th)*

DIOCESAN VACCINATION POLICY: It is now mandatory that clergy, employees and volunteers on duty for our online services be vaccinated.

RETURN TO RED STAGE:

As of Monday, January 10, 2022, the Diocese of Toronto returned to modified Red Stage Guidelines until the end of January. This means that our church buildings are closed to the public and accessed solely for the purposes of live streaming or recording services of worship from Jan. 10-31.

During this time, only the people who are duty such as the tech team, readers, organist and any other persons participating in worship for the purpose of live stream can access our building.

In the meantime, please make use of all online ministries.

Remember the following are available.

K4J, Bible Study, Bite & Sip and Compline.

PRE-AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE: is set up for us as a congregation so that parishioners can give electronically. We encourage all parishioners to give through this medium. Please speak with Richard Morris.

Virtual Valentine Dance on Zoom - February 12, 7-10pm.

We encourage each member to share the event with family friends.

There will be prizes and surprises.

A tax receipt will be offered for contributions of \$10 and over.

2022 Envelopes are READY: If you have not yet received yours please contact Richard Morris or any of the wardens to make arrangement for pick up.

Offerings: can be mailed in to the church, or parishioners can use the drop box at church on Saturdays and Sundays 10am-12noon.

STEWARDSHIP: We are grateful for the support the church receives from all of you through your weekly giving of your time, talent and treasure. We celebrate your faithfulness.

VESTRY: is on February 20th, 2022.

REPORTS: All parish organizations are requested to prepare their vestry reports and email no later than January 31st to isla@sthildastowers.com. Please forward in Word format.

THANKS: We have received from the family of Edna Black residing in the USA a donation in her memory. We continue to pray for peace and rest for Edna and comfort and blessings for the family and offer our appreciation for their gift.

Readings for Next Sunday, January 30 –

The 4th Sunday of the Epiphany

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalm 71:1-6

1Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30