

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA

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JOHN AND CHARLES WESLEY

(transferred) **March 5th, 2021**9 pm Compline (Live-streamed)

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. Amen.

O God, make speed to save us;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Praise ye the Lord;

The Lord's name be praised.

Psalm 80

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim. In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us. Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. O Lord God of hosts, how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people? You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink. You have made us the derision of our neighbours, and our enemies laugh us to scorn. Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. You have brought a vine out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and planted it. You prepared the ground for it; it took root and filled the land. The mountains were covered by its shadow and the towering cedar trees by its boughs. You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea and its branches to the River. Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes? The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it. Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted. They burn it with fire like rubbish; at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish. Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, the son of man you have made so strong for yourself. And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name. Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Reading John 5:1-8

A Reading from John.

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, "It is the sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat." But he answered them, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Take up your mat and walk." They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take it up and walk'?" 13 Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in [a] the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. Therefore the Jews started persecuting Jesus, because he was doing such things on the sabbath. But Jesus answered them, "My Father is still working, and I also am working." For this reason the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because he was not only breaking the sabbath, but was also calling God his own Father, thereby making himself equal to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit; Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth; I commend my spirit.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Office Hymn

Te lucis ante terminum

Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world, we pray That with thy wonted favour thou Wouldst be our guard and keeper now. From all ill dreams defend our eyes, From nightly fears and fantasies; Tread under foot our ghostly foe, That no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done, Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son; Who, with the Holy Ghost and thee, Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

Keep us as the apple of thine eye; Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.

Nunc Dimittis with Antiphon

Preserve us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Preserve us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

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.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

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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.

Blessed art thou, Lord God of our ancestors;

To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven;

To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

The Almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

We confess to God Almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us. Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**.

Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;

That thy people may rejoice in thee?

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

And grant us thy salvation.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin;

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, hear our prayer;

And let our cry come unto thee.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this place, and drive from it all the snares of the enemy; let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord God, you inspired John and Charles Wesley to thirst after true righteousness, and endowed them with eloquence in speech and song that the hearts and voices of many might testify to the work of Christ. Grant us, we pray, the power of your Spirit, to kindle anew in hearts grown cold the ardent love of Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: Make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust, our souls may live with thee; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Look down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the children of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Hymn Christe, qui lux es et dies

O Christ, who art the light and day, Thou drivest night and gloom away; O Light of Light, whose word doth show The light of heav'n to us below.

All-holy Lord, in humble prayer We ask tonight thy watchful care. O grant us calm repose in thee, A quiet night, from perils free.

Asleep though wearied eyes may be, Still keep the heart awake to thee; Let thy right hand outstretched above Guard those who serve the Lord they love.

All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to thee, Whom with the Spirit we adore Forever and forevermore. Amen.

We will lay us down in peace and take our rest; For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.

The Lord be with you; **And with thy spirit.**

Let us bless the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

The Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us. **Amen**.

Officiant Cantor Canon Doug Richards Andrew McAnerney

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JOHN AND CHARLES WESLEY

Today we honour John and Charles Wesley, who launched the Methodist revival in the eighteenth-century Church of England. Brought up in a strict Anglican parsonage, the two brothers both became priests with a demanding sense of purpose. In the year 1738, they each experienced "conversion of the heart" and went forth to help others know the same assurance of God's love. In one of their later writings, they described themselves "as messengers of God to those who are Christians in name but heathens in heart, to call them back... to real, genuine Christianity."

Wherever they went their mission drew immense crowds, who often responded with uncontrollable fervour. But the Wesleys did more than preach to the crowds; they also developed a network of support-groups in order to sustain the revival. Hymn-singing became a prominent feature of these Methodist meetings, because the Wesleys understood the power of good hymns to teach sound doctrine and heartfelt religion. Charles alone wrote nearly 6,000, and a good many are still cherished by all English-speaking Christians — for instance, "Hark, the herald angels sing," "Christ, whose glory fills the skies," and "Love divine, all loves excelling." In time, much to the grief of the Wesley brothers, a large section of the Methodist movement separated from the Church of England and organized its own family of churches. But the brothers' work also endured in Anglicanism itself and gave it a new vitality, so that our whole tradition is in debt to their evangelical witness.

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