

The Opening Service
of the 118th Session of the Synod of
The Diocese of Rupert's Land



**Eve of Teresa of Avila
and John of the Cross**

Friday, October 14, 2022
7pm

St. John's Cathedral
135 Anderson Ave
Winnipeg, MB

Note: *Vested clergy in the procession are to be seated in the East and West transepts, unless otherwise instructed.*

Opening Eucharist for Diocesan Synod

Welcome to the Land – Elder Bill Shead

The Gathering of the Community

All stand. The presider greets the community.

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.**

Act of Praise

Procession - Hymn #404 – The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

The trumpets sound, the angels sing,
the feast is ready to begin;
the gates of heaven are open wide
and Jesus welcomes you inside.

Refrain

*Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight,
come and revel in heaven's love and light;
take your place at the table of the King,
the feast is ready to begin, the feast is ready to begin.*

Tables are laden with good things;
O taste the peace and joy he brings;
he'll fill you up with love divine,
he'll turn your water into wine.

Refrain

The hungry heart he satisfies,
offers the poor his paradise;
now hear all heaven and earth applaud
the amazing goodness of the Lord.

Refrain

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Greeting to the Synod – The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls, Primate

Collect

Presider

O God,
you kindled the living flame of your love
in the heart of your servants
Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross
and made them shining lights
in the midst of your Church.
May we also be inspired
with the vision of your truth
and live as children of the light;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

People

Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading – Gary Russell

Reader

A reading from the Second Letter from Paul to Timothy
(3:14-17):

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and
firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and
how from childhood you have known the sacred writings
that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith
in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is
useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for
training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs
to God may be proficient, equipped for every good
work.

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept

Psalm 121

George Black

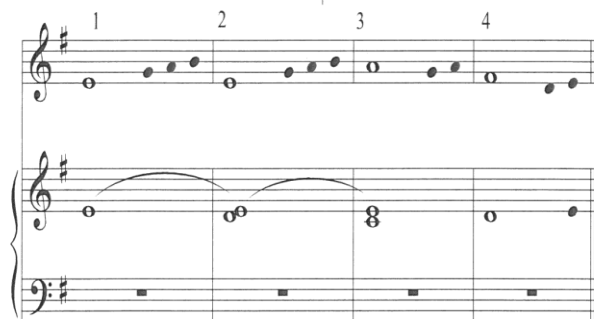
Introduction. Cantor sings refrain. All repeat refrain. Cantor sings verses. All sing refrain after each group of verses. In the psalm-tone the singer leaves the reciting note on the underlined word or syllable.

Introduction



Unison

Last Chord



- (1) I lift up my eyes to the hills;
- (2) from where is my help to come?
- (3) My help comes from God,
- (4) the maker of heaven and earth. *R.*

- (1) Who will not let your foot be moved
- (2) who watches over you and will not fall asleep.
- (3) Behold, God keeps watch over Israel
- (4) and will not slumber nor sleep; *R.*

- (1) God watches over you;
- (2) a shade at your right hand,
- (3) So that the sun shall not strike you by day,
- (4) nor the moon by night. *R.*

- (1) Our God shall preserve you from all evil;
- (2) and shall keep you safe.
- (3) God shall watch over your going out and your coming in,
- (4) from this time forth for evermore. *R.*

Gospel Acclamation (CP 714)

Cantor Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Cantor You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face."
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel – *The Rev. Deacon Colleen Matthews*

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John (16:12-14, 25-28):

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

'I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures, but will tell you plainly of the Father. On that day you will ask in my name. I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and am going to the Father.'

The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Bishop's Charge

The Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Woodcroft

Anthem – I Will Walk With God
Nicholas Brodsky

The Apostles' Creed

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

***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.**

Presentation of the Order of Rupert's Land

Bishop: I invite those who have been selected to receive the Order of Rupert's Land to come forward with their presenter, in the order listed, one nominee and presenter at a time.

Nominator: **Bishop I present, _____ to you, to receive the Order of Rupert's Land.**

Recipients: Ruth Booth
George Campbell,
Marilyn Kenny,
Karen Watson, and
Robert (Bob) Wedlake

Please see citation written in the leaflet on each recipient.

Bishop confers the order on each recipient.

Appointment of a Diocesan Archdeacon Emeritus

Bishop: I present The Venerable James Dugan as an Archdeacon Emeritus in the Diocese of Rupert's Land.

The Bishop recognizes James Dugan as Archdeacon Emeritus

The Prayers of the People – Litany #1 – John Van Bentham

In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people attending this synod, and for all people in our Diocese, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For Charles our King, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Winnipeg, for every city and community in our Diocese, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering, for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Remembering all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, God, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Presider

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

CP #85 - Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
your chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness,
with water from the rock.

We would not live by bread alone,
but by your word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on
to our abiding place.

Be known to us in breaking bread,
but do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread
your table in our heart.

Lord, sup with us in love divine;
your body and your blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine,
be our immortal food.

Text: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider

God of infinite light,
who sustained your servants Teresa and John
through all their tribulations,
grant us humility in the offering of this service
and joy in the receiving of your gifts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
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.**

(CP 732)

Presider

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."
In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and forever.

People

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray in words most familiar to each.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

All **We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Music during Communion

SNC #31 – Beyond the Beauty and the Awe

Beyond the beauty and the awe,
beyond the fear and dread,
we long, O God, to hear your word,
to taste your transformed bread.

Our lives feel torn between the world
whose needs are grimly real
and empty talk of peace and joy
with distant, vague appeal.

Oh, teach us how to hear your voice
despite the traffic's din;
to keep the blasts of rancor out
and let your Spirit in.

In sound or silence, sight or smell,
may we some token find
that makes your living presence known
to body, soul, and mind.

Then help us live as Jesus taught,
as light and salt and yeast,
that others may be brought to share
your promise and your feast.

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Music: Melody Sixteen Tune Settings, Philadelphia, 1812, harm.
C. Winnifred Douglas, 1940.*

CP #73 – One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all
One cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many, throughout the Earth
We are one body in this one Lord

Gentile or Jew, Servant or free,
Woman or man, no more.

Refrain

Many the gifts, Many the works,
One in the Lord, of all.

Refrain

Grain for the fields, Scattered and grown,
Gathered to one, for all.

Refrain

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and New Dawn Music. Admin by Oregon Catholic Press*

CP # 75 – With the Body That Was Broken

With the Body that was broken,
to the Body who proclaim,
by the Blood that is life's token,
for the life found in his Name:
so the Word-made-flesh has spoken,
and his presence here we claim.

In the cross of Christ confiding,
by the cross we bear as sign,
through the Spirit's gifts and guiding,

with these gifts of bread and wine:
so the Church in faith abiding
keeps the feast Christ made divine.

Fed by breaking and outpouring,
joined in breaking-forth of praise,
given the peace of God's restoring,
sent in peace to live always:
so we show forth our adoring
as God's servants all our days.

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Prayer after Communion

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.

All And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God

**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,
ring life to others;**

**we, whom the Spirit lights,
give light to the world.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider May God, to whose glory we celebrate
this festival of Saints Teresa of Avila and John of the
Cross,

be now and evermore our guide
and companion in the way.

People Amen.

Presider May God, who has bound us together
in the company of the elect,

in this age and the age to come,
attend to the prayers of faithful servants on our behalf,
as God hears our prayers for them.

People **Amen.**

Presider May God, who has given us, in the lives of saints,
patterns of holy living and victorious dying,
strengthen our faith and devotion,
and enable us to bear witness to the truth
against all adversity.

People **Amen.**

Presider And the blessing of God Almighty,
the holy and undivided Trinity,
be upon you and remain with you forever.

People **Amen.**

Invitation to Return

Deacon Return again to our next session rejoicing in the power
of the Spirit. Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Hymn CP #572 – Let There Be Light

Let there be light,
let there be understanding,
let all the nations gather,
let them be face to face.

Open our lips,
open our minds to ponder,
open the door of concord
opening into grace.

Perish the sword,
perish the angry judgment,
perish the bombs and hunger,
perish the fight for gain.

Hallow our love,

hallow the deaths of martyrs,
hallow their holy freedom,
hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,
your Spirit turn to language,
your people speak together,
your Spirit never fade.

Let there be light,
open our hearts to wonder,
perish the way of terror,
hallow the world God made.

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Assisting with the Service

Presider
Bishop's Chaplain
Dean (regrets)
Master of Ceremonies
Smudging
Welcome to the Land

The Right Rev. Geoff Woodcroft
The Rev. Deacon Susan Smandych
The Ven. Paul Johnson
The Rev. Theo Robinson
Elder Amanda Wallin
Elder Bill Shead

First Reading
Psalm
Gospel Reading

Gary Russell
John van Benthem
The Rev. Deacon Colleen Matthews

Litanist:
Deacon at the Table

John van Benthem
The Rev. Deacon Matthew Bowman

The Order of Rupert's Land

Recipients

Ruth Booth
George Campbell
Marilyn Kenny
Karen Watson
Bob Wedlake

Presenters

The Rev. John Giroux
The Ven. Simon Blaikie
Lynn Webster
Teresa Cameron
The Rev. Wayne McIntosh

Communion Assistants:

Allison Abra
Cassandra Golondrina
Brittany Perkins

Beverley Markwart
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Tannis Webster

