

Andrew the Apostle

30 November 2022

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Greeting

Presider

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

Kyrie

God be gracious to us and bless us,
and make your face shine upon us:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,
your saving power among the nations:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

Presider

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who gave your apostle Andrew grace to believe in his heart and to confess with his lips that Jesus is Lord: Touch our lips and our hearts that faith may burn within us, and we may share in the witness of your Church to the whole human family; 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: Deuteronomy 30.11-14

Reader

A reading from Deuteronomy.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 19.1-6

Their message has gone out to the ends of the world.

Their message has gone out to the ends of the world.

¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows the handiwork of the Lord.

² One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Their message has gone out to the ends of the world.

³ Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
⁴ their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.

Their message has gone out to the ends of the world.

⁵ In the deep has God 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.
⁶ 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.

Their message has gone out to the ends of the world.

The Gospel: Matthew 4.18-22

Deacon

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea — for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Intercessions, Petitions and Thanksgivings

Leader of the Prayers

Together we lift our prayers to you, O God of love and healing.

Creator of all, you breathe life into your creation: **Heal all that is broken.**

Christ the Word, you give yourself to make our joy complete:
Heal all that is broken.

Spirit of gentleness, you move through our lives in unexpected ways: **Heal all that is broken.**

Holy One, accept our thanks and praise for all the blessings of this life, especially for those blessings that are difficult to see: **Heal all that is broken.**

Shed the light of your healing love on all who are sick in body, mind or spirit, that they may find wholeness through your grace: **Heal all that is broken.**

Knit together in your love all whose relationships have frayed, that they may find reconciliation and renewal: **Heal all that is broken.**

Bless all who work for the health of others, that they may bring hope, care, wisdom and skill to all they serve: **Heal all that is broken.**

Hold in your embrace all who are near death and all who care for them, that they know the peace that passes all understanding: **Heal all that is broken.**

Grant to all who turn to you the courage to be co-workers with you in restoring this broken world to wholeness, that all creation may share in fullness of life: **Heal all that is broken.**

Hear the petitions, intercessions and thanksgivings that we offer at this time (*Silence is kept.*) For these and for all our prayers that are too deep for words, we pray to you: **Heal all that is broken.**

Gracious God, you are close to us no matter how far we feel from you: draw us into the very heart of your grace and help us to live into the truth that nothing in all creation can separate us from your love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Based on a litany composed by Adam Thomas
<https://wherethewind.com/a-litany-for-healing>*

The Exchange of the Peace

Presider

May the peace of Christ whose coming draws nigh be with you now and always.

And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider

Let us pray.

Eternal God, ruler of the universe, may we who have heard your word always be ready to answer your call and to follow without fear. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider

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.

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 from 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 us 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.

**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 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 for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

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

Presider

God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.
Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

In tender mercy our God has prepared a table for all who seek goodness rather than evil, love rather than hate, light rather than darkness, life rather than death. Come and share in the feast prepared for the beloved of God, for these are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

If you are not physically receiving Communion, then offer this prayer.

In union, O God, with all your faithful people gathered wherever the eucharist is celebrated this day, I offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption given to us through the life, death and resurrection of Christ, and for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I pray you come into my heart, my soul and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you. May I serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your promised reign of justice and peace; through Christ and in the unity of the Spirit. **Amen.**

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

The Prayer after Communion

Presider

Let us pray.

Giver of life, may the gifts we have received at your table give us courage to follow the example of Andrew the apostle and share in the ministry of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology

Glory to God, **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.**

The Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth and make disciples in all the world.

Thanks be to God.