

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMNThe church of Christ in every age

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY.....p. 185

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Prayer for Outreach and Social Justice

Lord Jesus, Carpenter and King, supreme Sovereign of all, look with tender mercy upon the multitudes of our day who bear the indignities of injustice everywhere. Raise up leaders in every land dedicated to Your standards of order, equity, and justice. Grant unto us, Lord Jesus, the grace to be worthy members of Your Mystical Body, laboring unceasingly to fulfill our vocation to serve you. Guide our minds to a meaningful understanding of the problems of the poor, of the oppressed, of the unemployed, of all in need of assistance anywhere. May we hunger and thirst after justice always. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

GATHERING SONG.....Away and in danger

CHILDREN’S TALKRev. Gail Coley MacDonald

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF AMOS

Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph. Amos 5:6-7, 12, 14-16

Reader: **The word of the Lord.**

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Refrain: The Lord split the rocks and gave them drink.

Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. **R**

That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, We will not hide from their children. We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done. **R**

He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoin. He split open the sea and let them pass through; he made the waters stand up like walls. **R**

He led them with a cloud by day, and all the night through with a glow of fire. HE split the rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink as from the great deep. He brought streams out of the cliff, and the waters gushed out like rivers. **R**

GOSPEL SONG.....The love of Jesus calls us

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

MATTHEW 28:16-20

SERMONCanon Greg Mercer

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Hear, O Israel.....p. 53

**Hear, O Israel,
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.**

**Love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.**

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it:

Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE.....*Response: Help us Lord, to look beyond ourselves*

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OFFERTORY HYMNLord, you gave the greatest commission

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER #5p. 204

SANCTUSHoly, holy, holy Lord

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BREAKING OF THE BREAD #1.....p. 212

Celebrant: "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!

COMMUNION HYMNS.....Here is bread; When I needed a neighbour; The
.....Spirit sends us forth to serve; Days of Elijah

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND DOXOLOGYp.214

Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant: 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, forever and ever. Amen

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN.....We shall go out with hope of resurrection

DISMISSAL **In the Name of Christ. Amen**