

St. John's Anglican Church, Ida Parish of Ida and Omemee

**Sunday, January 23, 2022
Third Sunday after Epiphany
Service of Morning Prayer**

*The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and
release to the captives. Luke 4: 18*

Opening Hymn – CP384 – Praise to the Lord (v1,2,5,6)

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth: hast
thou not seen how thy entreaties have been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord,
who when darkness of sin is abounding,
who when the godless do triumph,
all virtue confounding,
sheddeth his light, chaseth the horrors of night,
saints with his mercy surrounding.**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again:
gladly for aye we adore him.**

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

Let us pray:

We thank you O God that you have again brought us together on the Lord's day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past and your purpose in the week to come, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

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.**

COLLECT FOR 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.

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

**your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Word

First reading: Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

**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.**

Psalm Prayer

**Gracious creator of heaven and earth, your Word has come
among us as the true Sun of righteousness, and the good
news of his birth has gone out to the ends of the world. Open
our eyes to the light of your law, that we may be purified from
sin and serve you without reproach for the sake of Jesus
Christ, our Light and our Life. Amen.**

Second Reading: Luke 4: 14-21

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Thanks be to God.

Hymn: The Potter's Hand

**Beautiful Lord, wonderful Saviour,
I know for sure,
all of my days are held in Your hand;
crafted into Your perfect plan.**

**You gently call me into Your presence,
guiding me by Your Holy Spirit;
Teach me, dear Lord,
to live all of my life through Your eyes.**

**I'm captured by Your holy calling,
Set me apart,
I know You're drawing me to Yourself;
Lead me, Lord, I pray.**

Chorus:

**Take me, mould me, use me, fill me;
I give my life to the Potter's hand.
Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me;
I give my life to the Potter's hand.**

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THE SERMON – Rev. Peter

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

The offering plate will not be passed during the service but will be available on the table at the back of the church for those who wish to give their offering in this way. We are grateful for the number of people who, in these past months, have used electronic means of contributing (PAG, the website, electronic transfers) to the ministry of St. John's, Ida.

Offertory Prayer

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us confess the faith of our baptism:

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit?
**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Either kneeling or sitting, let us pray.

In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness; we pray for others as well as for ourselves; and we offer our lives in Christ's service. All this we do because we believe in the presence among us of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayers

(Time of silence for personal prayer and reflection)

After each Intercession:

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people. You know our needs before we ask and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE GO INTO THE WORLD TO PRAISE AND SERVE GOD

Please stand.

Almighty God, with longing in our hearts for your reign of Peace, make us eager to obey you, until your purpose is accomplished and the earth is filled with your glory.

Look at your hands, see the touch and the tenderness.

God's own for the world.

Look at your feet, see the path and the direction.

God's own for the world.

Look at your heart, see the fire and the love.

God's own for the world.

Look at the cross, see God's Son and our Saviour.

God's own for the world.

This is God's world.

And we will serve God in it.

**Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being.
Guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares
and occupations of our life, we may not forget you, but may
remember that we are ever walking in your sight, in Jesus'
name we pray. Amen.**

Closing: CP383 – Jesus Shall Reign

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
doth its successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

**People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.**

**Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
the prisoners leap to lose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.**

Let every creature rise and bring

**peculiar honours to our King,
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Organ: Sylvia

Piano: Linda

Vocals: Kelly

Reader: Don

Prayers: Rev. Bill

Preacher: Rev. Peter

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