

12 March 2023 - Lent 3 Worship Notes



Yosung Kim – The Hand of God painting - Jesus Reaching Into Water

Opening Hymn – CP179, Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery v. 2, 6d

Seed that dies to rise in glory, may we see ourselves in you,
If we learn to live your story,
We may die to rise anew, we may die to rise anew.

Living water of salvation, be the fountain of each soul;
springing up as new creation,
Flow in us and make us whole, flow in us and make us whole.

Land Acknowledgement

We gather here mindful of the many who, for millennia, have called this valley home or depended on its trails for safe passage. We know this community as Fernie; it is also the unceded territory of the Ktunaxa people and Métis Nation. We strive for reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings, and pray that the Creator will guide our way.

Candle Lighting

We light this single candle to remind us
that even though things are not yet as we'd like them to be, we continue to wait...somewhat patiently, and join together in person and online, dreaming, hoping, wishing for that day when we will gather again,
not necessarily as we wish, yet as we are able.

Call to Worship

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

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

Gloria – Sung

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Lord of the wellspring, source of life and truth:

give us the courage of the Samaritan woman, so that we may receive living water, and worship you in spirit and truth: through Jesus Christ who quenches our thirst with eternal life.

Amen

Propers Working Group (2016)

Reader: Mary Elson

Readings: Exodus 17.1-7, Psalm 95, John 4.5-42

Exodus 17.1-7 – Water from the Rock

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses,

'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95 – A Call to Worship and Obedience

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God, **and a great King above all gods.**

In his hand are the depths of the earth; **the heights of the mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it, **and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

O come, let us worship and bow down, **let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice!

Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,

as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, **when your ancestors tested me,**

and put me to the proof, **though they had seen my work.**

For forty years I loathed that generation and said, **'They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways.'**

Therefore in my anger I swore, **'They shall not enter my rest.'**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

CP724 - Gospel Acclamation (Picardy setting)

We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory.

May God be with You.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel, according to St. John.

Praise to you, O Jesus Christ.

[John 4.5-42 - The Woman at the Well](#)

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is

called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

[The Gospel of Christ.](#)

[Praise to you, O Christ.](#)

[CP724 - Gospel Acclamation \(Picardy setting\)](#)

We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory.

Sermon: The Reverend Canon Andrea L. Brennan –
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[Apostles' Creed](#)

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 life everlasting. Amen**

Prayers of the People #14 (Lent) – Bruce Elson

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Silence

For the one holy, catholic and apostolic Church throughout the world, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those preparing for baptism and for their teachers and sponsors, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, Lord.

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Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Today we give thanks especially for –

Linda, our Primate; for Lynne, our Archbishop; for Andrea, our Regional Dean;

For Carmen, our Moderator; For Deborah, our Regional President,

for Treena, our Executive Minister, for Kathy, our Regional Minister.

For the Anglican Church of Canada,

for the Diocese of Kootenay, for the East Kootenay Region,

For the United Church of Canada, for the Pacific Mountain Region,
Lord, have mercy.

For all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, we pray to you, Lord.
Lord, have mercy. Amen

Confession

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**

Absolution

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**

The Peace

We are the body of Christ; in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

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Doxology (sung)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer Over the Gifts

God our provider,

**you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life.
Bless us with these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Eucharistic Prayer BAS #3

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.

Blessed are you gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts
and to prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of
baptism, and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer
and more generous in the works of love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise, to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus - CP722 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (Picardy Setting)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory,
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made
known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken
through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from
evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him you have brought us from
error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely
accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you,

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to God's command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this cup.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit on these gifts,
that may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new
covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church
and the author of our salvation.

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour
and glory are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen

[The Lord's Prayer \(sung\)](#)

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 forever. Amen

[The Breaking of the Bread BAS #7 - Lent and Holy Week](#)

We break this bread,

Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

If we have died with him, we shall live with him;

if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

Invitation to receive the elements

Dear friends,

I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.

We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

We welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with all our hearts, minds, our soul and our strength, with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, through many, and make us one in you.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Communion Hymn – CP615 Just As I Am

Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou biddest me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind;
Yes, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt;
fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot;
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, Thy love unknown, Has broken every barrier down;
Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Prayer after Communion

Compassionate God,

you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be for justice, our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, a song of grateful hearts. Amen

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

A Prayer for Renewal

O God who knows the needs of the Church in every place:
by the light of your Holy Spirit, guide us
as we seek to respond faithfully to you in this time.

May we open our hands to the future you call us to;
May we open our hearts to those you are calling us to serve;
May we open our minds to new insight and new knowledge;
May we open our doors to go out towards those you would have us meet.

Lead us into your future together;
help us to build trust and resilience in our common life;
help us to anticipate and celebrate new possibilities.
We pray these things in the name of Jesus,
the one who invites us into the newness of life.

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**

Blessing

May the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, sustain you and those for whom you love and serve this day and always. **Amen**

Extinguishing our Candles

As we move from this time of community and communion
**we hold in our prayers those who are with us in person,
on screen and in our hearts,**
knowing that one day, we know not what day,
**we will be together again, not necessarily as we wish,
but as we are able. Amen**

Sending Song - Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Dismissal

Our Worship may be finished, but our service is only beginning.
Let us depart in peace to love and serve our God.
Thanks be to God. Amen

Upcoming this week...

Monday 13 March – Parish Workshop with Regional Minister Kathy Davies and Andrea+

10:00 am – Collect Kathy from Cranbrook Airport

1:30 – 4:30 Parish Workshop

4:30 - 6:00 pm – Supper together

6:00 - 7:30 pm – Parish Conversation

Tuesday 14 March

9:30 - Noon – Governance Meeting with Leadership Team

12:30 - 2:00 pm – Lunch at Bridge Bistro - conversation continues

2:00 pm – Take Kathy to airport

6:00 - 8:00 pm – Fernie Pride AGM

Wednesday 15 March – Office Hours

10:00 am – Saints Day BCP Matins

Noon – Clericus (East/West Kootenay) by Zoom

Thursday 16 March – Office Hours

10:00 am - LLM Funeral Training by Zoom

Noon - BARDS by Zoom

Friday 17 March – Andrea+ Sabbath

Saturday 18 March – Sermon Writing and catch-up

NEXT WORSHIP – Transfiguration & AGM Sunday

Sunday 19 March

10:00 am – Morning Prayer (United Church Liturgy)

1:30 pm – Worship Service - Rocky Mountain Village

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