8am Traditional Service, St John's Dalby August 7, 2022

IMMORTAL INVISIBLE

Walter Chalmers Smith

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might; your justice like mountains high soaring above your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small, in all life now living, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree, then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, your angels adore you, all veiling their sight; of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart — take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

All praise we would render: reveal to our sight what hides you is only the splendour of light; and so let your glory, Almighty, impart, through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

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SENTENCE LA: Sentence

Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

Matthew 24.42, 44

THE COLLECT- Prayer of the Day

LA: Kindle in our hearts, Father, the same faith that impelled Abraham to set out from his home and to live as a pilgrim in a foreign land. As we, like him, look for the city that none but you can design and build, keep us watchful for your Son's coming, that we may be found faithful stewards of all that you have entrusted to us. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

1st Reading is from Jeremiah Chapter 18 verses 1-11 found on page 967 of the Pew Bibles ¹This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 2"Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message." 3So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. ⁴But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him. ⁵Then the word of the Lord came to me: 6"O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter does?" declares the Lord. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. 7If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, ⁸ and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. ⁹And if at another time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be built up and planted, ¹⁰ and if it does evil in my sight and does not obey me, then I will reconsider the good I had intended to do for it. 11"Now therefore say to the people of Judah and those living in Jerusalem, 'This is what the Lord says: Look! I am preparing a disaster for you and devising a plan against you. So turn from your evil ways, each one of you, and reform your ways and your actions.'

Hear the word of the Lord, **Thanks be to God.**

LA: Psalm 50.1-8

- ¹ The Lord our God, the Mighty One, has spoken: and summoned the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting in the west.
- ² From Zion, perfect in beauty: God has shone out in glory.
- ³ Our God is coming, he will not keep silent: before him is devouring fire, and tempest whirls about him.
- ⁴ He calls to the heavens above: and to the earth, so he may judge his people.
- ⁵ 'Gather to me my faithful ones: those who by sacrifice made a covenant with me.'
- ⁶ The heavens shall proclaim his righteousness: for God himself is judge.
- ⁷ 'Listen my people, and I will speak: O Israel, I am God your God, and I will give my testimony.
- 8 'It is not for your sacrifices that I reprove you: for your burntofferings are always before me.

HAVE THINE OWN WAY LORD

Adelaide Addison Pollard | George Coles Stebbins

Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way

Thou art the Potter I am the clay Mold me and make me after Thy will While I am waiting yielded and still. Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way

Search me and try me Master today Whiter than snow Lord, wash me just now

As in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way

Wounded and weary help me I pray Power all power surely is Thine Touch me and heal me Savior divine.

Have Thine own way Lord have Thine own way

Hold o'er my being absolute sway Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see Christ only always living in me.

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Gospel Reading

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to according to Luke, chapter 12, beginning at the 32nd verse found on page 1296 of Pew Bibles

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your

treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵"Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. ³⁷It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. I tell you the truth, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. ³⁸It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the second or third watch of the night. ³⁹But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

This is the gospel of the Lord, praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Kids Talk:

Sermon: Rev'd David Browne

THE CREED

LA: Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

believe in one holy catholic and

apostolic Church. We acknowledge

one baptism for the forgiveness of

the dead, and the life of the world

sins. We look for the resurrection of

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

The Prayers

to come. Amen.

Bidding: Lord in your mercy Response: **Hear our prayer**.

Prayers conclude

Accept our prayers through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who taught us to
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.

Prayer of Preparation

[Let us pray.]

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LA: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Silence may be kept.

Confession

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.

Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Peace is said with no hand shaking.

LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

Charles Wesley

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave: thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be, let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

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Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life triumphant, and exalted him in glory. By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended, a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

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.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying,

'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we remember his life of obedience to you, his suffering and death, his resurrection and exaltation, and his promise to be with us for ever.

With this bread and this cup we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all who eat

and drink at this table may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood to serve you in the world. As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel

of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever.

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Eternal God, giver of life, in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord.

May we who celebrate this holy feast walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Notices

Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in

you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

LA: Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen

HARK! A HERALD VOICE IS CALLING

Author Unknown

Hark! a herald voice is calling: 'Christ is near,' it seems to say, 'cast away the dreams of darkness, waken, children of the day!'

Wakened by the solemn warning let the earth-bound soul arise; Christ, her sun, all sloth dispelling shines upon the morning skies.

Lo, the Lamb so long expected comes with pardon now from heav'n;

let us meet him with repentance, pray that we may be forgiv'n.

So when love comes forth in judgment, debts and doubts and wrongs to clear,

faithful may he find his servants watching till the dawn appear.

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