

February 12, 2023

6th Sunday after Epiphany



PRELUDE AND CHOIR ANTHEM

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light, and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We praise you for the waters of life: for the streams and oceans, lakes and estuaries, and for the rain and snow that gives life to every living thing.

From the waters above and the waters below, you made sacred our bond with water. Through the waters of the flood and the parting of the seas, you showed your promises to be true.

In the waters of baptism, you claimed us and called each of us by our true name. Through baptism into the body of Christ, you transformed our lives and made us whole.

Send now your Spirit to move in our midst and immerse us with your gifts of mercy, love, and grace.

To you be given honour and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen**



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the

still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -

fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

GREETING

The grace of the 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 opened, 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KYRIE

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, who sent Jesus Christ to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities, create in us new hearts and enlarged visions, to see the image of God in every person irrespective of background, race and ethnicity. May we be generous in our love of others as we work towards ending misunderstanding, racism and injustice; creating communities of human flourishing, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with

you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:8-16a

⁸Thus says the LORD:

In a time of favor I have answered you,
on a day of salvation I have helped you;

I have kept you and given you
as a covenant to the people,

to establish the land,
to apportion the desolate heritages;

⁹saying to the prisoners, "Come out,"
to those who are in darkness, "Show yourselves."

They shall feed along the ways,
on all the bare heights shall be their pasture;

¹⁰they shall not hunger or thirst,
neither scorching wind nor sun shall strike them down,
for he who has pity on them will lead them,
and by springs of water will guide them.

¹¹And I will turn all my mountains into a road,
and my highways shall be raised up.

¹²Lo, these shall come from far away,
and lo, these from the north and from the west,
and these from the land of Syene.

¹³Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;
break forth, O mountains, into singing!
For the LORD has comforted his people,
and will have compassion on his suffering ones.

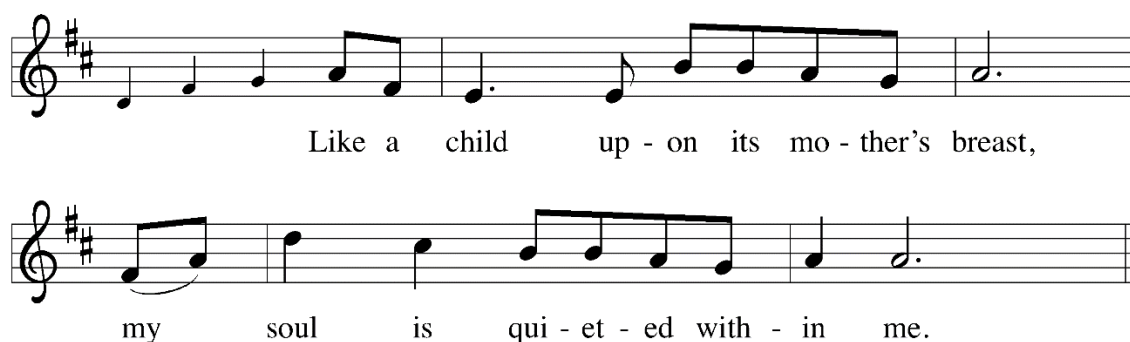
¹⁴But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me,
my Lord has forgotten me."

¹⁵Can a woman forget her nursing child,
or show no compassion for the child of her womb?
Even these may forget,
yet I will not forget you.

^{16a}See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

Word of God. Word of life.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 131



Psalm 131:2

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¹O LORD, I am not proud; I have no ¹ haughty looks.

I do not occupy myself with great matters, or with things that are too ¹ hard for me.

²**But I still my soul and make it quiet, like a child upon its ¹ mother's breast; my soul is quiet- ¹ ed within me.**

³O Israel, wait up- ¹ on the LORD,
from this time forth for- ¹ evermore. **R**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

¹Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. ²Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. ³But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. ⁴I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. ⁵Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now

hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart.
Then each one will receive commendation from God.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Repeat alleluia

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL: Matthew 6:24-34

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ²⁴"No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

²⁵"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow

is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴"So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today."

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY BRING MANY NAMES BLUE 395

1 Bring many names, beautiful and good,
celebrate, in parable and story,
holiness in glory, living, loving God.
Hail and hosanna! Bring many names!

2 Strong mother God, working night and day,
planning all the wonders of creation,
setting each equation, genius at play:
Hail and hosanna, strong mother God!

3 Warm father God, hugging every child,
feeling all the strains of human living,
caring and forgiving till we're reconciled:
Hail and hosanna, warm father God!

4 Old, aching God, grey with endless care,
calmly piercing evil's new disguises,
glad of good surprises, wiser than despair:
Hail and hosanna, old, aching God!

5 Young, growing God, eager, on the move,
saying no to falsehood and unkindness,

crying out for justice, giving all you have:
Hail and hosanna, young, growing God!

6 Great, living God, never fully known,
joyful darkness far beyond our seeing,
closer yet than breathing, everlasting home:
Hail and hosanna, great, living God!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As God's beloved children, let us pray that the light of Christ shine on the nations, the church, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

That the baptized may be servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries we celebrate in this assembly. We pray especially for those marking their baptismal anniversaries this week - Patty Strome, Amanda McQuinn, Max Wolfram, Jane Daly, and Suzanne Worthen - that their light may so shine before others that the world might see their good works and glorify you in heaven. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

That the leaders of nations, provinces, cities, and towns extend compassionate care to those without food, clothing, or shelter. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

That our gratitude for the birds of the air and the flowers of the field lead us to treasure each day, care for the earth, and seek the welfare of generations to come. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

That like a patient mother you comfort all those who suffer with illness, grief, worry, or anxiety. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Lissa, Ross, Karen and their family, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, Christa and Ken and those we remember before you in our hearts... *(brief silence...)* Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

That as we strive first for your kin-dom, you feed us at your bountiful table and deepen our faith in your provident care. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

That you gather us with all your holy ones, who treasured the riches of your grace and whose names are inscribed on the palms of your hands. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Receive our prayers and hopes, God of mercy and justice, for we pray in the name of Christ, the light of the world.
Amen.

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.

OFFERTORY

WE ARE ALL ONE IN MISSION RED 576



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
2 We all are called for ser - vice, to wit-ness in God's name.
3 Now let us be u - nit - ed, and let our song be heard.



our var-ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
Our min - is - tries are dif - f'rent; our pur - pose is the same:
Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem-ing Word.



A sin - gle great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
to touch the lives of oth - ers with God's sur - pris-ing grace,
We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

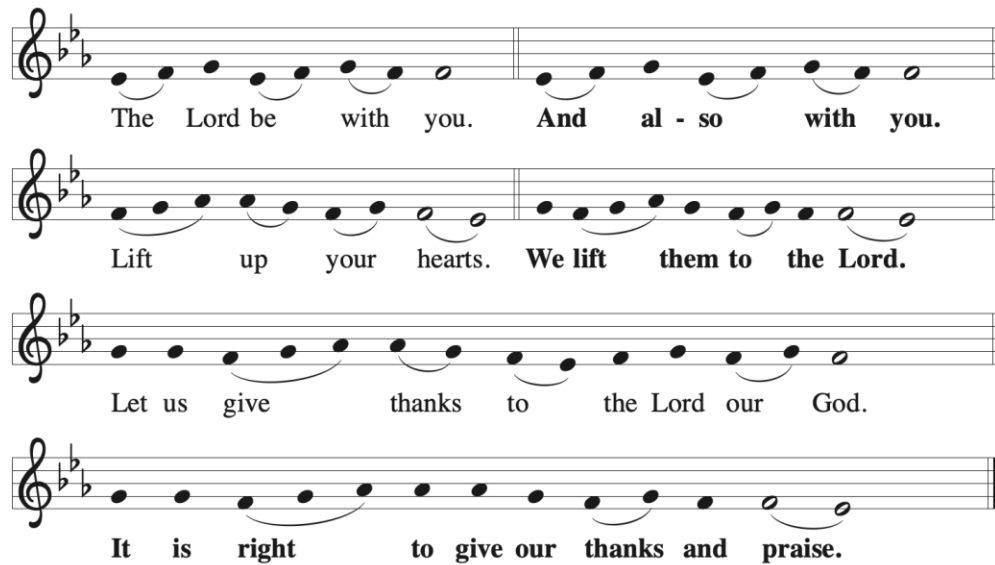


to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
so ev - 'ry folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:
Liberating God,
you break the bonds of injustice
and let the oppressed go free.
Receive these offerings in thanksgiving
for all your works of merciful power,
and shape us as people of your justice and freedom.
You we magnify and adore, through Jesus our Saviour,
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

PREFACE

and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and

God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

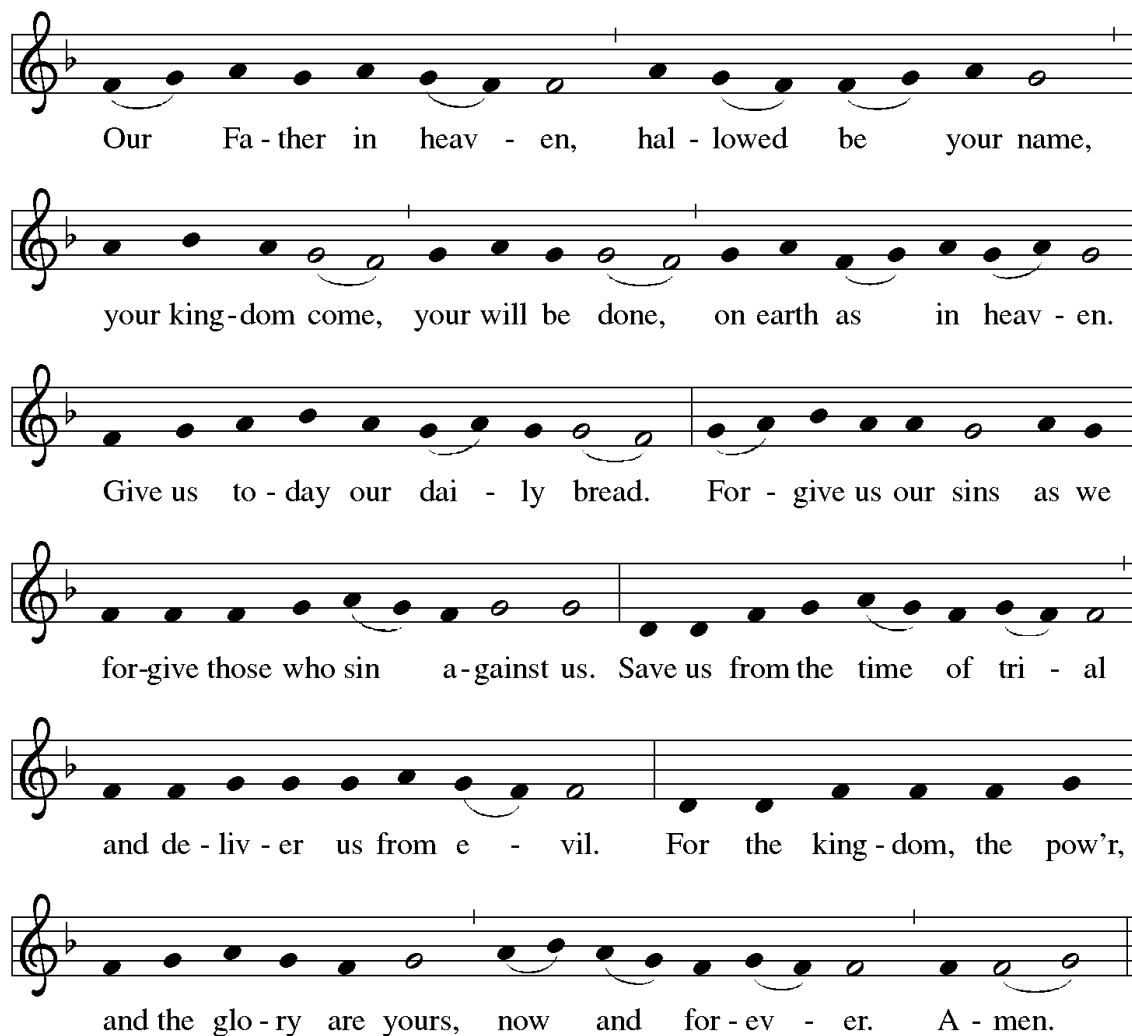
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Come and taste the joy of God!

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION HYMNS



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
 us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

What Does the Lord Require of You?



Part I
 What does the Lord re - quire of you?

Part II
 Jus - tice, kind - ness,

Part III
 To seek jus - tice and love kind - ness

What does the Lord re - quire of you?

walk hum - bly with your God.

and walk hum - bly with your God.

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Blue 416

Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

Blue 312

BLESSING

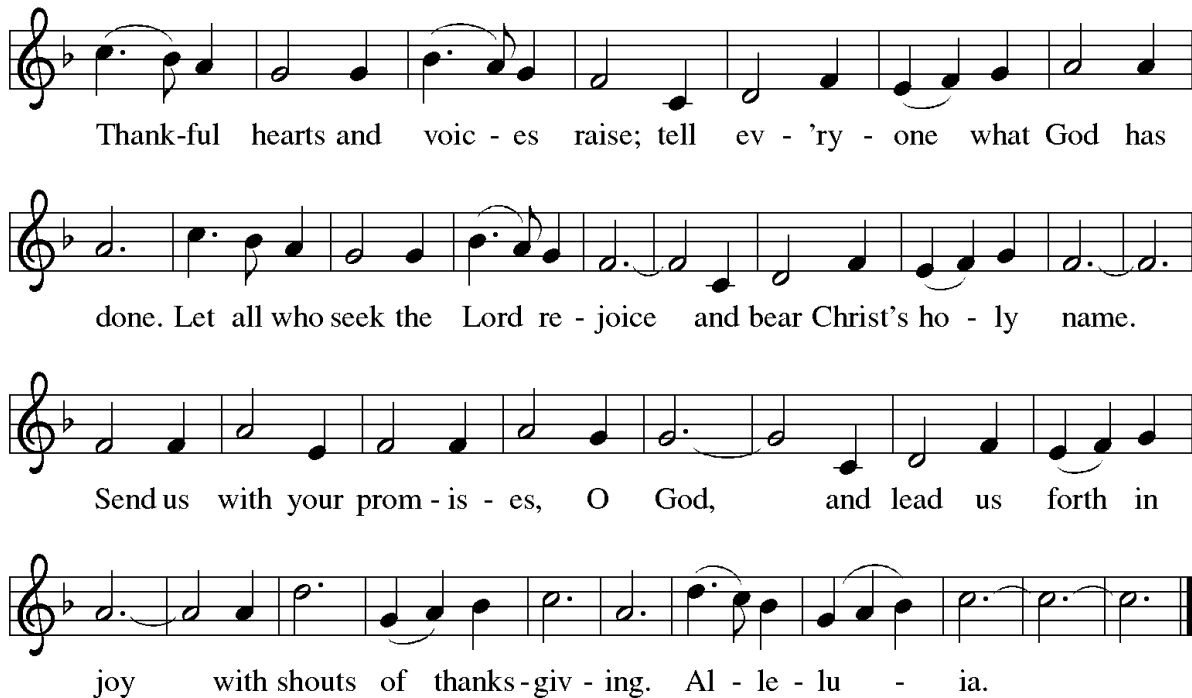
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy One,
we thank you for the healing
that springs forth abundantly from this table.
Renew our strength to do justice,
love kindness,
and journey humbly with you. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

RED 206



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry - one what God has
done. Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and lead us forth in
joy with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The God who faithfully brings forth justice
and breaks the oppressor's rod
✠ bless, strengthen, and uphold you,
today and always.

Amen.

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

SENDING SONG

GO MY CHILDREN

RED 543



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here my ten - der com - fort stilled you.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow the way of Jesus.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE