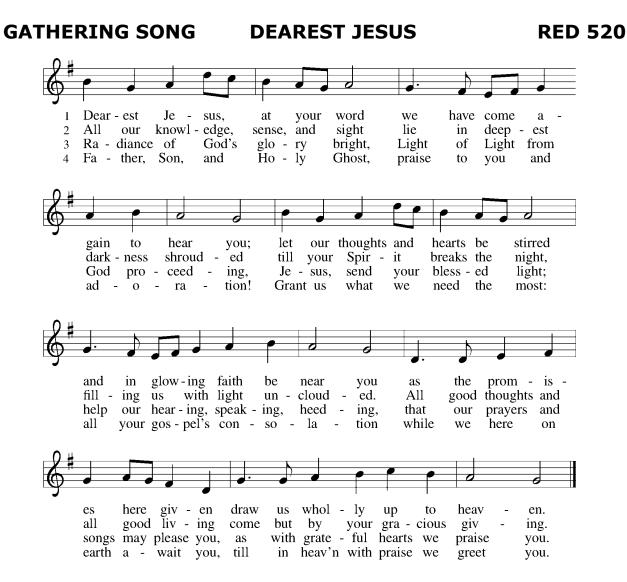
January 22, 2023 Third Sunday After Epiphany

#### **PRELUDE & 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.





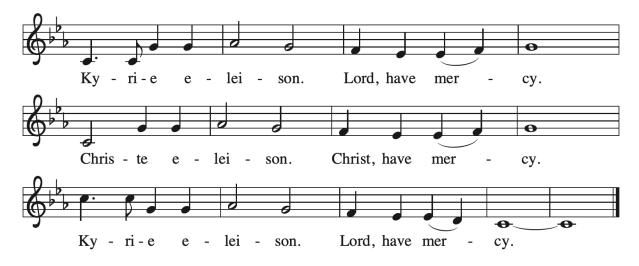
#### GREETING

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** 



### **HYMN OF PRAISE**



### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen** 

# FIRST READING: Isaiah 9:1-4

The northern tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali experienced the gloom of defeat by Assyrian military forces, but they are assured that their condition will be reversed when God makes a light-filled appearance.

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined.
<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.
<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

# PSALM: Psalm 27:1, 4-9



Psalm 27:1

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<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then I shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I + be afraid?

One thing I ask of the LORD; one I thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God I in the temple.

<sup>5</sup>For in the day of trouble God will <sup>1</sup> give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up-<sup>1</sup> on a rock.

<sup>6</sup>Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies <sup>1</sup> who surround me.

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music ' to the LORD. R

<sup>7</sup>Hear my voice, O LORD, <sup>1</sup> when I call;

have mercy on me and I answer me.

- <sup>8</sup>My heart speaks your message— <sup>1</sup> "Seek my face." Your face, O LORD, <sup>1</sup> I will seek.
- Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your ser- I vant in anger.
  - Cast me not away—you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of I my salvation. **R**

# **SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are guarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Word of God. Word of Life. Thanks be to God.



## GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12-23

The holy gospel according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

<sup>15</sup>"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,

on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness

have seen a great light,

and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

<sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The gospel of Christ. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Make your church one in purpose, proclaiming the message of the cross. Help us to work together across differences. Energize ecumenical partnerships, including the World Council of Churches, the Anglican Communion, and the Lutheran World Federation. Merciful God,

## receive our prayer.

We rejoice at the bounty of your creation. Fill the land and sea with your abundance. Bless harvests in the southern hemisphere and fallow fields in the northern hemisphere. Equip farmers to till and keep the earth sustainably. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

In Christ your reign comes near and calls all to repentance. Break the rod of the oppressor in every nation. Dispel the shadow of death in places of war and persecution. Grant us leaders who lift the yokes that burden those in need. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

## Be a stronghold for those in trouble and a rock for all who are afraid. Rouse communities to care for neighbours who need shelter, are facing maltreatment, or are isolated and lonely. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Anna-Liisa, Dale, David, Bill, Isa, Benito, and those we name before you in our hearts. *(brief silence...)* Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Sustain the ministries of this congregation and all churches in the city. Nurture the unique witness of every baptised Christian to your presence and love. We pray today for our sister Cheyenna Coleman as she marks her baptismal anniversary this week. Bless her parents Scott and Kasandra as they raise her in love and faith. Merciful God,

# receive our prayer.

We praise you for the faithful who have gone ahead of us, both famous and unknown. Help us to leave our nets and follow, and bring us with them to the fullness of your promise of eternal life. Merciful God,

#### receive our prayer.

We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

#### Amen.

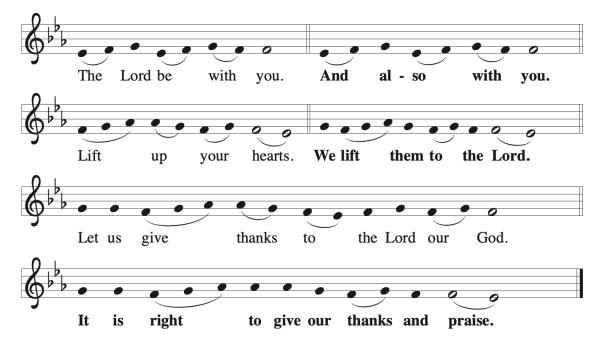
#### PEACE

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



## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray: Liberating God, you break the bonds of injustice and let the oppressed go free. Receive these offerings of money, bread, and food 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**

### PREFACE

... and join their unending hymn:

# SANCTUS



### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

### LORD'S PRAYER

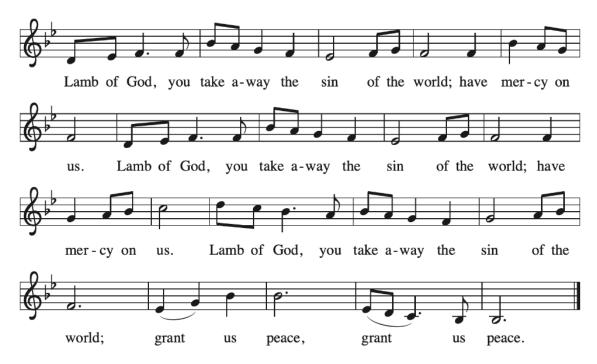


### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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**



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**BLUE 376** 

Here I Am Lord

RED 574

For the Bread Which You Have Broken BLUE 74

# BLESSING

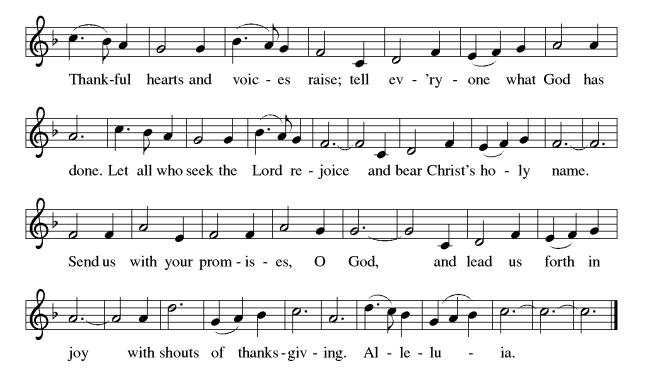
May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen** 

# **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**



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BENEDICTION

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.

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#### DISMISSAL

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

#### POSTLUDE