

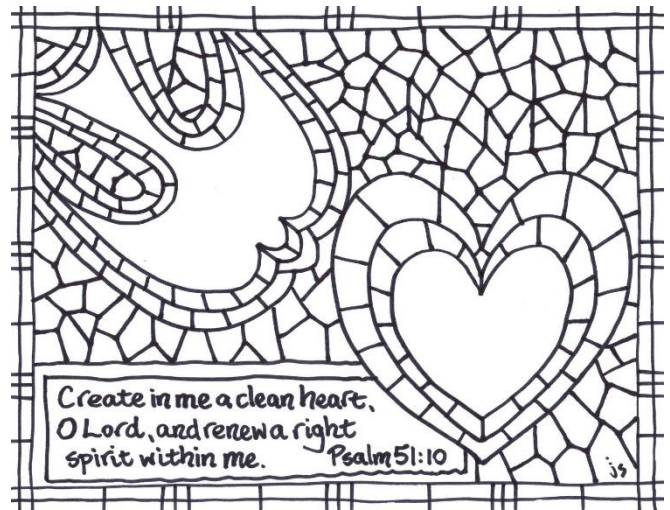
March 17, 2024

Lent 5B

PRELUDE

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 and friendship 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, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.

GATHERING SONG As We Gather At Your Table RED 522

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

Leader
In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Detailed description: This musical score is for the first part of a Kyrie. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a top staff for the 'Leader' and a bottom staff for the 'Assembly'. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: 'In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.' followed by 'Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have'. The second system continues with the lyrics: 'For the reign of God, and for' and 'mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.'.

L: For the reign of God and peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

L: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the...

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

Detailed description: This musical score is for the second part of a Kyrie. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a top staff and a bottom staff. The lyrics are: 'Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.' followed by 'mer - cy.'. The second system continues with the lyrics: 'A - men.'.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

CHOIR ANTHEM

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

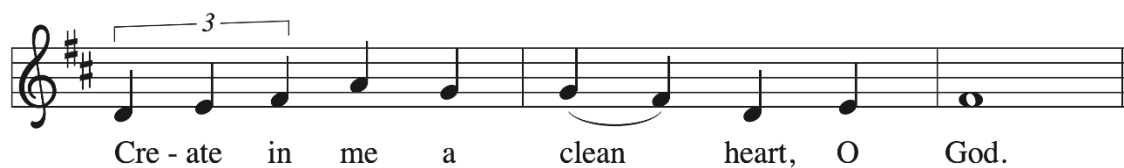
The Judeans in Babylon blamed their exile on their ancestors, who had broken the covenant established at Sinai. Here the prophet looks to a day when God will make a new covenant with the people.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 51:1-12



- ¹Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your | steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.**
- ²Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,
and cleanse me | from my sin.**
- ³For I know | my offenses,
and my sin is ev- | er before me.**
- ⁴Against you only have I sinned
and done what is evil | in your sight;
so you are justified when you speak
and right | in your judgment. R**
- ⁵Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my | mother's womb.**
- ⁶Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom | deep within.**
- ⁷Remove my sins with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.**
- ⁸Let me hear | joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken | may rejoice. R**
- ⁹Hide your face | from my sins,
and blot out | all my wickedness.**
- ¹⁰Create in me a clean | heart, O God,
and renew a right spir- | it within me.**
- ¹¹Cast me not away | from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spir- | it from me.**
- ¹²Restore to me the joy of | your salvation
and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit. R**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;

⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep - a - rate us from the love of God.

GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." ³⁰Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY **Now The Green Blade Rises RED 379**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

God of the covenant, through the church you draw us into community. We give thanks for the means of grace around which we gather. Inspire writers, musicians, and artists whose creative gifts adorn our worship. We pray today for the bishop, people, and clergy of the Diocese of Montreal, and for the assistant to the bishop and staff of the Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Synod. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of all that exists, you lavish the earth with extravagant beauty. Preserve the rich and complex diversity of living things. Encourage us in our support local, national, and international efforts to protect the environment for future generations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the nations, you desire peace and plenty for all people. Defend those who challenge oppression and expose corruption. Help us to support advocates for human rights, social justice, and the welfare of children. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of good will, you restore what is broken. We pray for any experiencing estrangement, conflict, or abuse in families and intimate relationships. Guide us to protect and comfort

all who are vulnerable, especially those living in institutions.
Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of every time and place, you are with us. Support ministries of prayer and presence through our congregation. Move us to reach out to any who are homebound, lonely, grieving, in treatment, or ill, remembering especially: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Ken, Lily, Bill, Isa, Zoilita, Lisa, Barrie and Stella, Irene and Kelly, John and Julianna, Deborah and Ron, Elijah, Florence, Nicky and Dwayne, Sadie, Beth, and those we name before you in our hearts. (*brief silence...*). And we pray today for Werner and Debbie as they deal the consequences of a fire in their home this week. Give them peace, consolation, and hope in the knowledge that all their decisions in the coming days rest in your love and care for them. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of promise, we give thanks for the saints whose faith inspires us, especially Patrick, missionary to Ireland, whom we commemorate today. Grant us faith like his to trust in your everlasting love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Amen.

CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The congregation may sit or kneel.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

Our self-centered living, exploitation of other people, and failing to love kindness, do justice and walk humbly with you,
we confess to you, O God.

Our longing to have what is not ours, and hearts that are not at rest with ourselves,
we confess to you, O God.

Our misuse of human relationships and our unwillingness to see Jesus in others,
we confess to you, O God.

Jealousies that divide families and nations, rivalries that create strife and warfare,
we confess to you, O God.

Judgementalism, uncharitable thoughts towards our neighbours, and prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,
we confess to you, O God.

Reluctance in sharing the time, talents and resources you have given us,
we confess to you, O God.

Waste and pollution of creation, and lack of concern for those who come after us,
we confess to you, O God.

Hurtful words that condemn and angry deeds that harm,
we confess to you, O God.

Timidity at talking about the movement of Jesus in our lives, negligence in worship and prayer, and wasting your gifts of love and grace,
we confess to you, O God.

Restore us, O God, restore our relationships with you, with our neighbours and with creation, and renew a right spirit within us.
Amen

The presiding minister addresses the congregation.

According to God's abundant mercy, there is forgiveness for all who seek repentance, and grace for all who turn their hearts to the way of Jesus.

Thanks be to God!

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all!

And also with you.

OFFERTORY Seed That in Earth is Dying RED 330

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

Jesus, you are the bread of life
and the host of this meal.

Bless these gifts that we have gathered
that all people may know your goodness.

Feed us not only with this holy food
but with hunger for justice and peace
for we pray in your most holy name.

Amen

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: ... Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!

C: **Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!**

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit that all your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!

C: **Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!**

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

JESUS' PRAYER (A Paraphrase by Bill Wallace, Aotearoa/New Zealand)

**O most Compassionate Life-giver,
may we honour and praise you;
May we work with you to establish your new order of
justice peace and love;
Give us what we need for growth,
And help us, through forgiving others, to accept
forgiveness.
Strengthen us in the time of testing, that we may resist all
evil,
For all tenderness, strength and love are yours, now and
forever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We break this bread,
Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Bread for the journey.
A feast for hungry hearts. Come!
Thanks be to God!

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Lamb of God

1. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
2. Lamb of God, you call us to the way of your cross:
Have mercy on us...
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace...
4. Lamb of God, you are way of mercy and love...
5. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Nothing Can Trouble

Blue 568

God of All Time

Blue 67

Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness

Blue 78

TABLE BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Generous God,
at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace.
As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread,
now make us one loaf to feed the world;
in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE Praise to You O God of Mercy



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for - ev - er!
thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Beloved,
we are God's own people,
holy, washed, and renewed.

God bless you and keep you,
shower you with mercy,
fill you with courage,
and ✝ give you peace.

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 Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing
RED 545**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share your bread.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Anne Stuart	Christine Morrison
Servers	John Szymanski Sandra Christie	Jan Nielsen Dennis Kunze
Reader	Bill Clatworthy	Val Webb
Ushers	Marilyn Bleach Schranz & Sigi Schranz	Bill & Judy Rogers
AV booth	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen	Michele Altermann Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Ena Sookraj Elsie Persaud	Ena Sookraj Elsie Persaud
Counters	Laura F Mann Janet Weigel	Laura F Mann Janet Weigel
Flowers		
Coffee Hour	Lenten Lunch	

Women of Faith—Lenten Self Denial: Envelopes and pamphlets are available on the table in the narthex. Please help yourself. This year we are supporting Women in Crisis and Royal City Mission.

Food Security = Income Security Petition: There will be copies of the petition on the table in the narthex for the next two Sundays. The ask is that the Government of Ontario raise the financial support given to people who receive support through Ontario Works and the Ontario Disability Support Program.

Books for the Free to Read Program can be dropped off until April 14, 2024.

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **today**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Paths to Spiritual Understanding: Join Greg Elliott and David Howells for the final study group on Wednesday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. in the Parlour.

Holy Week 2024: Looking ahead we are planning an Agape Meal at 6:00 p.m. on **Maundy Thursday (March 28)** followed by Eucharist and stripping of the altar at 7:00 p.m. There is a sign up sheet for the Meal and we will need ushers to help with the elevator that night. **Readers** are needed for a dramatic reading of the Gospel according to Mark, as well as a cross bearer, for **Good Friday (March 29)** at 10:00 a.m. If you can help please contact the office.

Parish Care Workshop will take place **Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 1 pm** in the Parlour. Our own Robin Smart will speak on "Brain Health", a very important element in continuing to function optimally in our lives, no matter the age.

Disability Theology Panel Discussion – Tuesday March 19, 7 pm. ECM is hosting a free panel discussion at the University of Guelph on themes and questions at the intersection of Christian theology and disability justice. Panelists are Rev. Miriam Spies, Rev. Etienne Lesage, and Laura Machry. All are welcome. University Centre, Room 442. On-campus parking is free in the evenings. For more info email ecm@uoguelph.ca.

Annual Reports: Please submit your reports to Janet Weigel by **April 2, 2024**. Our next Annual Meeting/Vestry Meeting is May 5, 2024. jweigel0220@rogers.com

Silvercreek Community Market: Please donate **all non-perishable items** again, except pasta. We are always in particular need of **RICE, red lentils, pasta sauce** and **cooking oil (1L size)**. Other needed items include breakfast cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, canned legumes, meat and fish. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD: March 18— 24

Monday 18	10:00 a.m.	Creative Crafting Choir room
Tuesday 19	1:00 p.m.	Parish Care Parlour
	5:00 p.m.	Men's Fellowship Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 20	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to office
	1:00—3:00 p.m.	Paths to Spiritual Understanding Parlour
	3:00 p.m.	Executive via Zoom
Thursday 21	9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market, Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Sunday 24	8:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday Holy Communion—Nave