

**A Service of Morning Prayer
for January 30, 2022
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**



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Luke 4:21-30 Watercolour, Brooklyn Museum, New York, NY, USA
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The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. *Luke 4.18*

CP 178 Restore in Us, O God (To the tune of 439 SM Franconia)

1 Restore in us, O God,
the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts,
and all our sins remove.

3 Bring us, O Christ, to share
the fullness of your joy;
baptize us in the risen life
that death cannot destroy.

2 O Spirit, wake in us
the wonder of your power;
from fruitless fear unfurl our lives
like springtime bud and flower.

4 Three-personed God, fulfill
the promise of your grace,
that we, when all our searching ends,
may see you face to face

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.

And also with you.

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

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.**

Psalm 71:1-6 *Refrain:* From my mother's womb you have been my strength.

71:1 In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

71:2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

71:3 Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

71:4 Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

71:5 For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

71:6 Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

A Reading from Jeremiah 1:4-10

1:4 Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

1:6 Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."

1:7 But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

1:8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

1:9 Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.

1:10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 449 How Shall They Hear the Word of God

1 How shall they hear the word of God

unless the truth is told?

How shall the sinful be set free,
the sorrowful consoled?

To all who speak the truth today,
impart your Spirit, Lord, we pray.

2 How shall they call to God for help

unless they have believed?

How shall the poor be given hope,
the prisoner reprieved?

To those who help the blind to see,
give light and love and clarity.

3 How shall the gospel be proclaimed

that sinners may repent?

How shall the world find peace at last
if heralds are not sent?

So send us, Lord, for we rejoice
to speak of Christ with life and voice.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

13:1 If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

13:2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

13:3 If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

13:4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant

13:5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;

13:6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth.

13:7 It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

13:8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

13:9 For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part;

13:10 but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end.

13:11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways.

13:12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

13:13 And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 446 Word of God, Come Down on Earth

1 Word of God, come down on earth,
Living rain from heaven descending:
Touch our hearts and bring to birth
Faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere you;
Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

3 Word that caused blind eyes to see,
Speak and heal our mortal blindness.
Deaf we are: our healer be;
Loose our tongues to tell your kindness.
Be our Word in pity spoken;
Heal the world by our sin broken.

2 Word eternal, throned on high,
Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heaven to die,
Crucified for our salvation;
Saving word, the world restoring,
Speak to us, your love outpouring.

4 Word that speaks God's tender love,
One with God beyond all telling;
Word that sends us from above
God the Spirit, with us dwelling;
Word of truth, to all truth lead us;
Word of life, with one bread feed us.

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 4:21-30

4:21 Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

4:22 All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?"

4:23 He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'"

4:24 And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown.

4:25 But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land;

4:26 yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.

4:27 There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."

4:28 When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage.

4:29 They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.

4:30 But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Heather LiddellCCLI 6460237 God With Us

1 Oh You've come to bring peace to be Love
To be nearer to us
You've come to bring life to be Light
To shine brighter in us
Oh Emmanuel God with us

2 Oh You've come to be Hope to this world
For Your honor and name
And You've come to take sin to bear shame
And to conquer the grave
Oh Emmanuel God with us

Chorus...

Chorus
Our Deliverer You are Savior
In Your presence we find our strength
Over ev'rything our Redemption
God with us
You are God with us

Bridge
You are here
You are holy
We are standing in Your glory

Chorus...

Affirmation of Faith (The 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 the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People compiled and led by Beth-Anne Exham

FOR OUR INTERCESSIONS TODAY WE WILL USE LITANY # 3 on page 112

(Let us offer our prayers to the source of all love and all life, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer.")

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

Merciful Lord, we pray for all who call themselves Christians: that we may become a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to the praise of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

We pray for Stephen our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers throughout the world.

For the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

For the Diocese of Algoma: the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop (Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario).

In the Diocese of Edmonton for St. George, Edmonton: Madeleine Urion, Rector; Sheila Hagan-Bloxham and Lori Calkins, Honorary Assistants.

For our St. Peter's Family especially our clergy Heather, and Alison and our music ministry from Nadine

In the Diocese of Buye, for Gahengeri Indigenous community, Jean De Dieu Nzobarinda and for the people of the Kehewin Cree Nation.

that they may remain faithful to their calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We pray for Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and all in authority throughout the world as they strive to deal with floods, hurricanes, fires, the pandemic and now threats of war. May they work together that your people may lead quiet and peaceable lives.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We pray for this city of Edmonton and those who live here, the poor and the rich, the elderly and the young, men and women; that you will help us to show your goodwill to all.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We pray for the VICTIMS of our society and of all the wrong doings, large or small, that are present in the world, and we pray for those who minister to them and for all who are in any need. We especially remember those for whom our prayers are requested: Sandra, Merle, Mona, Lois Ward, Ray and Mary, Irene, Kathryn, Helen, Jenifer, Judy, Tony and Mary Jean, Luisa, Lois Davis, Evelyn, Miranda, Iain, Diane and Bill, Maxime, Barry Westervelt, Geraldine, Florence, Joan, Kathleen, and Shirley and Cyril

that you will be their help and defence.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We pray for the peaceful repose of the souls of those who have died especially Jerry Dyck and Nicole Barrow and for comfort for those who mourn.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We pray for those preparing for baptism, and for those recently baptised, that they may be strengthened in the faith.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

We give thanks for St. Peter and all the saints who have found favour in your sight from earliest times, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and those whose names are known to you alone: and we pray that we too may be counted among your faithful witnesses.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Almighty God, kindle , we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide us with your wisdom that justice and peace may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your LOVE through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect

Living God,
in Christ you make all things new.
Transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

CP 240 Retell What Christ's Great Love Has Done

1 Retell what Christ's great love has done,
 How crib and cross the victory won;
 God's call obeyed, temptations faced,
 The good news preached then death
 embraced.
 Let us who share his Easter light
 Sing praise to God, our chief delight.

2 Recall the covenant of grace
 In which you freely find your place:
 With water washed, at table fed,
 In Christ alive, to self now dead.
 Then with your lives, by day and night,
 Sing praise to God, your chief delight.

3 Review the tapestry of saints,
 That canvas which the Spirit paints:
 A prophet scorned, a teacher famed,
 A host unknown and unacclaimed,
 Yet one and all who fought the fight
 Sing praise to God, their chief delight.

4 Rehearse the chorus of the heart;
 Let all earth's hopes and fears take part:
 The shouts of youth, the cries of age,
 The prisoners' groans, the victims' rage.
 And may each voice which seeks the right
 Sing praise to God, its chief delight.

5 Rejoice at what Christ yet will do,
 Intent on making all things new:
 The hungry filled, the peaceful blessed,
 The wounded healed, each heart at rest.
 Then sing, till faith gives way to sight,
 In praise of God, our chief delight.

The Dismissal

The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives. *Luke 4.18*

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness working
 in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and
 ever, Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**