



# St. Martin's Anglican Church

January 17, 2021

## The Second Sunday after Epiphany

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Prelude *Les cloches (Three Characteristic Pieces)*, Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

**Sentence:**

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

**Opening Hymn** Oh Jesus, I Have Promised, vs. 1 & 4

***Organ only***

O Jesus, I have promised  
To serve thee to the end;  
Be thou forever near me,  
My Master and my Friend.  
I shall not fear the battle  
If thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway  
If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me see thy footmarks  
And in them plant mine own:  
My hope to follow duly  
Is in thy strength alone.  
O guide me, call me, draw me,

Uphold me to the end;  
And then in heaven receive me,  
My Saviour and my Friend.

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Celebrant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,

*People* **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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Kyrie Eleison**

Lord have mercy.

**Christ have mercy.**

Lord have mercy.

### **The Collect**

Almighty God,

your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

is the light of the world.

May your people,

illumined by your word and sacraments,

shine with the radiance of his glory,

that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed

to the ends of the earth;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading 1 Samuel 1.3-10**

A Reading from the First book of Samuel:

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17**

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Lord, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvellously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! how great is the sum of them!

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

### **Second Reading 1 Corinthians 6.12-20**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians:

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel.*

**Gospel Reading** John 1.43-51

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of Christ.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

### Moment of Silent Reflection

#### The Apostles' Creed

*Celebrant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

***All*** 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.

## **Offertory Hymn (organ only) You Call Us, Lord, to Be, vs. 1 & 4**

You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart,  
to feel with thoughtful mind  
and think with tender heart.  
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask  
for faith in your unfailing grace  
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live,  
to know we best receive when joyfully we give.  
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask  
for faith in your unfailing grace  
to make us equal to the task.

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* Living God,  
you have revealed your Son as the Messiah.  
May we hear his word and follow it,  
and live as children of light.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,  
*All* **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.**

### **Confession & Absolution**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
he welcomes sinners  
and invites them to his table.  
Let us confess our sins,  
confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,

*All* **we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

### **Doxology & Blessing**

*Celebrant* Glory to God,  
*All* **whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
In the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son, Jesus Christ the Lord.  
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, remain with you and the ones you love now and forevermore. **Amen.**

## Announcements

**Closing Hymn (organ)** Earth Has Many a Noble City, vs. 1 & 5

Earth has many a noble city;  
Bethlehem, thou dost all excel:  
out of thee the Lord from heaven  
came to rule his Israel.

Jesus, whom the Gentiles worshipped  
at thy glad epiphany,  
unto thee, with God the Father  
and the Spirit, glory be.

*Rev. Shelly* Go forth in the name of Christ.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Exultemus (Ps. 81)*, Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

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# Announcements

**Discussion Nights** – In the next few weeks, beginning on Tuesday, we will be holding two discussions of articles by N.T. Wright and Fr. James J. Martin. We will discuss a different article on each date. You are welcome to participate in either or both discussions, which will take place on Zoom. The dates, articles, and Zoom links are as follows:

**Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM:** Wright, N.T. (March 2020). Christianity Offers No Answers About the Coronavirus. It's Not Supposed To. *Time*.

<https://time.com/5808495/coronavirus-christianity/>

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87648532469>

**Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7 PM:** Martin, James (March 2020). Where Is God in a Pandemic? *The New York Times*.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/22/opinion/coronavirus-religion.html>

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82820280012>

**Compline** – You are invited to join Rev. Shelly on Zoom for Compline, a service of prayer for the close of the day, on Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84208584892> or call **647-374-4685** or **647-558-0588**. Meeting ID: 842 0858 4892.

**\*\*Virtual Coffee Hour is moving to Zoom** – Our Virtual Coffee Hour is back at 12:30 pm today, now on Zoom! Link to participate: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86160988368>, or you may call **647-374-4685** or **647-558-0588** if you wish to participate by phone.

Meeting ID: 861 6098 8368

**Wednesday Service on Zoom** – Our midweek service will take place on Zoom on Wednesday at 10:15 am. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82287913027>, or you may call **647-374-4685** or **647-558-0588** if you wish to participate by phone.

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