St Hilary's Anglican Church



January 26th, 2025 | 10:30 am Third Sunday After Epiphany

Bishop of Toronto: The Most Rev. Andrew Asbil Area Bishop of York-Credit Valley: The Rt Rev. Kevin Robertson Incumbent of St. Hilary's: The Rev. Adrienne Clements

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude

Processional Hymn

Dear God, Compassionate and Kind | Common Praise (CP) 455

The Apostolic Greeting

Priest 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.

Collect for Purity

Priest 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 Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria Please see lyrics on music sheet in pew rack.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
by grace alone you call us
and accept us in your service.
Strengthen us by your Spirit,
and make us worthy of your call;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

NEHEMIAH 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Lector The Word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19 Said responsively by half verse

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun, which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them;

and nothing is hid from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple;

the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes;

the fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever;

the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey, and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover, by them is your servant warned;

in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can detect their errors?

Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from the insolent; do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,

O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-31

Lector The Word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Please rise, as you are able, for the Gospel reading.

Gradual Hymn

Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said | CP 431 | Verses 1 & 2

Leader The Lord be with you All And also with you.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

LUKE 4:14-21

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn

Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said | CP 431 | Verses 4 & 5

Sermon

Choral Anthem

Communion Song

Creed

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,
All We believe in one God.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions

Leader Lord in your mercy People **Hear our prayer.**

Confession and 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.

You are invited to exchange a sign of God's peace.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn

Will You Come and Follow Me | CP 430

Prayer over the Gifts

Loving God,

before the world began you called us.

Make holy all we offer you this day,

and strengthen us in that calling.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer No. 3

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God,

creator of heaven and earth:

You have revealed your eternal plan of salvation

and have shown your Son Jesus Christ

to be the light of all peoples.

Therefore with angels and archangels we raise our voices in joyful praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus Please see lyrics on music sheet in pew rack.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God,

for the goodness and love

you have made known to us in creation;

in calling Israel to be your people;

in your Word spoken through the prophets;

and above all in the Word made flesh,

Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant

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and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through
Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Lord's Prayer Please see lyrics on music sheet in pew rack.

Breaking of the Bread

Priest We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the

world.

All God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to

light and life.

Priest The gifts of God for you the holy people of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei Please see lyrics on music sheet in pew rack.

Communion Hymns

And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love | CP 66 God of All Time, All Seasons of Our Living | CP 67

Sharing of Communion

All who seek to serve Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of bread and wine as a reminder of your baptism, or you may come forward for a blessing.

Going Out into the World

Prayer After Communion

Gracious God,

our hands have taken holy things;

our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son.

May we who have eaten at this holy table

be strengthened for service in your world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

The Doxology

Priest 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.

Announcements

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun | CP 383

Dismissal

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Ministering Today

Lay Reader Paul Taylor
Lector Lucy Filippone
Chancel Guild Sonia Shaw's Team

Altar Flowers

Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Donald Stuart Horne and Mary Ellen Horne, parents of Marian and Kathryn.

Aumbry Candle

This week, the Aumbry Candle burns in the Glory of God and in loving memory of Joscelyn Scott.

Upcoming at St Hilary's

Wednesday	10:00am	Bible Study
	11:00am	Morning Prayer
Thursday	10:00am	Food Cupboard
Sunday	8:30am	Said Eucharist
	10:30am	Sung Eucharist

Our Acknowledgement of Shared Land

St Hilary's Church is located on the historical territory of the Wendat, Seneca, and, most recently, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nations. The territory is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peacefully share and care for the lands and resources around the Great Lakes. Today the Greater Toronto Area is the home of many indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to worship in this territory.

Prayer and Pastoral Care

If there is anyone you would like us to pray for today, please name them out loud during the intercessions or print their names on the Prayer Sheet in the Narthex.

If there is someone you would like our priest and/or our Pastoral Care Team to reach out to, please call the office and leave a message at 905-279-2304 or speak to Rev. Adrienne after the service.

Giving to St Hilary's Church

If you would like to make a donation you can do so by:

- Sending an e-transfer to sthilarycooksville@toronto.anglican.ca (please also email us your chosen password)
- Signing up to PAR (Pre-authorized Remittance). PAR is automatically withdrawn on a monthly basis and your donation will go toward the area of your choosing (e.g. FaithWorks, building repairs, Food Cupboard, gardens, etc.)

For more information on giving, please call the church office at 905-279-2304.

We thank you for any contribution you are able to make.

Youth Corner

Luke 4:14 - 21

"Dear God, help us to hear what the Spirit is saying to us today and every day. Amen."

Good morning! Have you ever had a parent or teacher say, "Are you listening to me?" Or maybe they were a little bit upset and so they said, "What did I just tell you?" But if they REALLY want you to listen and they think they don't have your attention, yet, they then say your first, middle, and last name before saying what they want you to hear. Ever have any of these things happen?

I ask you these questions to remind us that SOMETIMES, just sometimes, we don't always listen. And other times, though we might hear what a person is saying, we don't always act on what those people are telling us. And guess what -- adults do the exact same thing. Which is why in today's scripture story, Jesus is telling the people that the good news that he's reading in the scripture will be fulfilled in their hearing. What Jesus means when he says "fulfilled in their hearing" is this: If the people would listen to and then DO what they hear being read in the scripture passage, then the good news would actually happen.

The good news that we hear would actually happen in today's scripture story is this:

- People would be able to see clearly
- The not-free would be free
- Everyone would know and remind each other of God's favor and love

Someone who we see making these same things happen is Jesus. But, fulfilling scripture is not supposed to be a one-time thing or a one-person thing.

Which is why Jesus is telling the people that they need to fulfill scripture by hearing the scripture and then doing it. This is also why Jesus invites us to follow him and learn from him how to be like him.

When we follow Jesus, we learn from Jesus how to fulfill scripture, just like he does. And, as we learn how to fulfill scripture like Jesus did, we also learn how to better share God's healing, love and forgiveness with each other. When we do THAT, scripture is being fulfilled even more so and the good news is happening.

"Thank you, God for loving all of us: rich and poor, captive and free. Help us to share your love as we meet people each day. Amen."

(Adapted from: rfour.org and Episcopal Church Lessons that Work)

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