

**ST. MATTHIAS'**  
**ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
WESTMOUNT, QC



**Fifth Sunday in Lent - April 7th, 2019**  
**Holy Eucharist**

Organ Prelude

**The Gathering of the Community**

*The Congregation stands for the hymns*

Processional Hymn 180 *Giver of the Perfect Gift - Song 13*

The Greeting

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.**

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,  
**we were like those who dream.**

Then our mouth was filled with laughter and shouts of joy.

**We rejoiced: "The Lord has done great things for us."**

May those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,  
**come home with joy, carrying their sheaves.**

Trisagion

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.** X3

The Collect

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness and water the desert. Help us to recognize your hand working miracles beyond our imagining. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, so that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love for all, and its presence in Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

*from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers 2002, alt.*

*The Congregation is seated*

**The Proclamation of the Word**

The First Lesson A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

*Isaiah 43:16-21*

Hear how the Spirit speaks to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126 *see back page of lilac insert*

Deuxième Lecture du livre des Philippiens

J'aurais pourtant sujet, moi, d'avoir confiance même dans la chair; si quelque autre croit avoir des raisons de se confier dans la chair, j'en ai bien davantage: circoncis dès le huitième jour, de la race d'Israël, de la tribu de Benjamin, Hébreu fils d'Hébreux; quant à la Loi, un Pharisien; quant au zèle, un persécuteur de l'Eglise; quant

à la justice que peut donner la Loi, un homme irréprochable. Mais tous ces avantages dont j'étais pourvu, je les ai considérés comme un désavantage, à cause du Christ. Bien plus, désormais je considère tout comme désavantageux à cause de la supériorité de la connaissance du Christ Jésus mon Seigneur. A cause de lui j'ai accepté de tout perdre, je considère tout comme déchets, afin de gagner le Christ, et d'être trouvé en lui, n'ayant plus ma justice à moi, celle qui vient de la Loi, mais la justice par la foi au Christ, celle qui vient de Dieu et s'appuie sur la foi; le connaître, lui, avec la puissance de sa résurrection et la communion à ses souffrances, lui devenir conforme dans sa mort, afin de parvenir si possible à ressusciter d'entre les morts. Non que je sois déjà au but, ni déjà devenu parfait; mais je poursuis ma course pour tâcher de saisir, ayant été saisi moi-même par le Christ Jésus. Non, frères, je ne me flatte point d'avoir déjà saisi; je dis seulement ceci: oubliant le chemin parcouru, je vais droit de l'avant, tendu de tout mon être, et je cours vers le but, en vue du prix que Dieu nous appelle à recevoir là-haut, dans le Christ Jésus.

*Philippiens 3:4-14*

Écoutez ce que l'Ésprit dit à l'Église.

**Nous rendons grâce à Dieu.**

Gradual Hymn 569 *Come, My Way - The Call*

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

*John 12:1-8*

The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon The Most Rev. Bruce Stavert

The Summary of the Law

Hear the teaching of Christ:

**you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. This is the first commandment.**

And a second is this:

**You shall love your neighbour as yourself.**

Intercessions *The response:*

We thank you, O God.

**You are making all things new.**

Invitation to Confession

If we ask God to restore us to the way we have been, then we have not asked for as much as God intends to give. God is not content simply to return or restore us to former things. Instead, God seeks to give the gift of resurrection—a new and abundant life. With confidence in God's generosity, we confess our sins and seek the new life offered in Jesus Christ.

*The Congregation kneels*

*Silence*

Confession

**Loving God, we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol.**

**Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us.**

**Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice.**

**Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new.**

**In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

### Absolution

You are God's Beloved; with you, God is well pleased.

You are renewed and restored.

You are forgiven and loved.

You are a new creation in Christ, everything old has passed away; see, everything is becoming new.

Go and share the good news of God's love.

*The Congregation stands*

### The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

Parish Announcements *see lilac insert*

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 497 *Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round - Song 1*

### Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer 3 from BAS*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues...*

...in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

### Sanctus and Benedictus

*I. Koizumi (adapted S.B)*

Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo -  
ry Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho - sa - na in the high - est

The image shows a musical score for three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating long notes. The second and third staves continue the melody and lyrics. The overall style is clean and functional, typical of a church music book.



*The Congregation may kneel  
The Eucharistic Prayer continues...*

...Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues...*

...and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

And now, as Christ has taught us, we pray,

**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.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

Most merciful Lord,

**your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners. So cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.**

### Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All are welcome to share at Christ's table; you may choose to receive bread by holding out your hands, and wine from the cup, or to receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest*

### Communion Hymn 66 *And Now, O Father - Unde et Memores*

### Prayer after Communion

Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

### Doxology

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.

May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 503 *Fight the Good Fight - Pentecost*

The Blessing

May God guide you through the desert places, may Christ lead you into knowing him more deeply, and the Holy Spirit fill you with faith overflowing: that as you share in Christ's suffering, you will also trust the power of his resurrection.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Acclamation

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

**O my God, in you I trust.**

You are the God of my salvation;

**To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

In you I hope all the day long.

**O my God, in you I trust.**

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

**To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Organ Postlude *Fantasia in C minor - J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

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We gather today in the traditional territory of the  
Haudenosaunee & Anishinaabe.



Nous nous réunissons aujourd'hui sur le territoire  
traditionnel des Haudenosaunee & Anishinaabe.