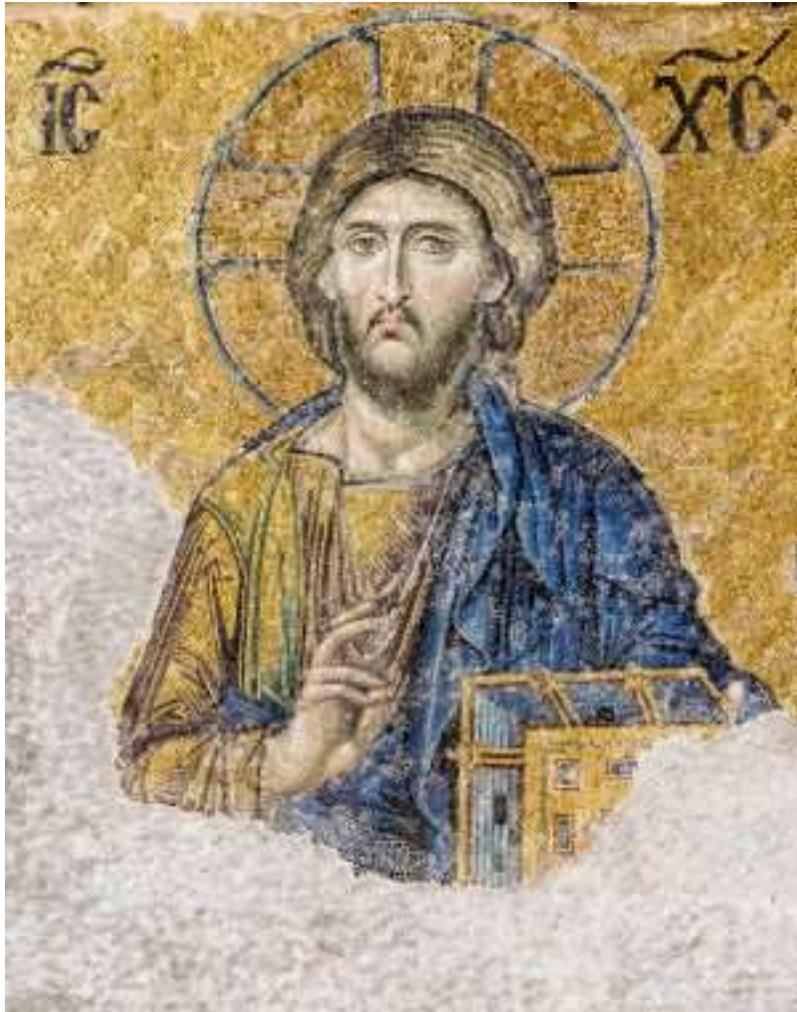


***St Luke's  
Worshipping Community***



***Sixth Sunday of Easter***

**Director of Music: Doctor Matthew Pope**

**Choral Scholar: Taylor Burns**

**Hymn - 388 *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken v. 1, 4***

**The Gathering of the Community**

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Presider May his grace and peace be with you.

**People May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Presider Almighty God,

**All 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.**

**Glory to God**

Glory to God in the highest,

**and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly king,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Collect of the Day**

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
riches beyond imagination.  
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,  
that we, loving you above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

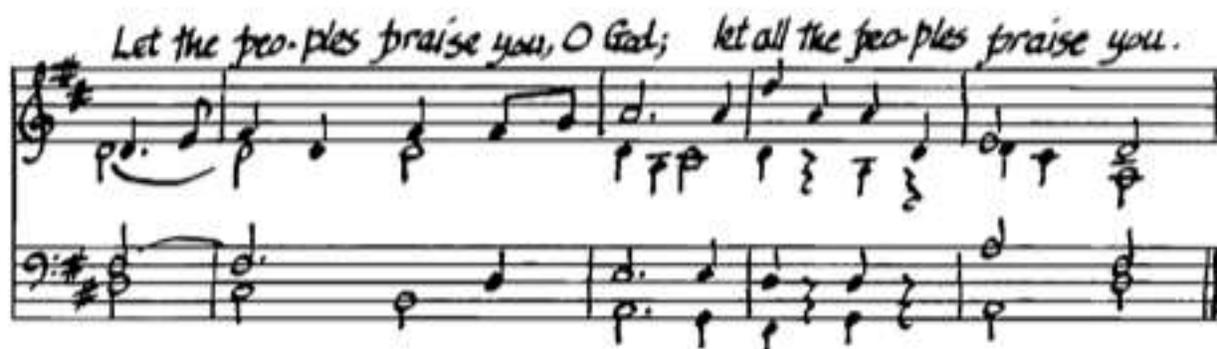
**The Proclamation of the Word**

**A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN**

And in the spirit, an angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 67



May God be merciful to us and bless us,  
Show us the light of his countenance and come to us.  
Let your ways be known upon earth,  
Your saving health among all nations. **Refrain**

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
For you judge the peoples with equity  
And guide all the nations upon earth. **Refrain**

The earth has brought forth her increase;  
May God, our own God, give us his blessing.  
May God gives us his blessing,  
And may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him. **Refrain**

## Hymn - 481 *May the Grace of Christ Our Saviour*

### The Gospel

Reader     The Lord be with you.

People     **And also with you.**

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

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

Jesus answered, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Reader     The Gospel of Christ

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

**Homily**

**The Creed**

**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.**

### **Prayers of the People**

(As we gather in God's presence, let us pray to the Lord saying, "Lord, hear our prayer.")

We thank you for be a merciful and loving God, who heals and advocates for us in this world. Let us follow your example and share your love with others.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Merciful Lord, we pray for all who call themselves Christians, and pray that the power of Your Holy Spirit will be alive in each one of us.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all those who are experiencing racism and persecution in our city, and around the world. Lord you formed and gave life to each one of us, so that we could all share in Your grace. Give to the nations an awareness of our shared oneness and the need to uphold one another in love.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for all who face violence and hardship due to conflict and war. Please bring peace and justice to all areas of the world, and help us to discern how you are calling us to act and respond to situations of injustice both near, and far away.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our worshipping community and for Amanda as she completes her education India. We thank you for the Deacons from the Diocese of Huron and the members of synod who collected and gave food donations, so that we can better meet the needs of students who come to us for assistance.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who are ill and in need of healing. Lord, please keep them in Your love.

(Feel free to mention out loud, or in silence the names of those you are praying for today.)

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord may we be strengthened by our communion with all Christ's saints. Please grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and comfort those who are grieving at this time (especially ...).

(Again, feel free to mention out loud, or in silence the names of those you are praying for today.)

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

In unison with today's psalmist we pray: May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance.

**Amen.**

**Confession and Absolution**

Presider: 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.*

Most merciful God,

**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.**

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.

**Amen.**

**The Peace**

Reader     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People     And also with you.**

*Please acknowledge those around you with a bow or a nod.*

**Hymn- 341 God of Mercy, God of Grace**

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**The Preparation of the Gifts**

Presider: God of glory,  
accept all we offer you this day,  
and bring us to that eternal city of love and light,  
where Christ is King.  
We ask this in his name.

**People Amen.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer 2**

Presider The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

**People We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**People Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me." Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

**People Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

**Communion Hymn: - 578 *O Healing River***

### **Prayer after Communion**

Presider Father,  
you restored us to life  
by raising your Son from death.  
May we who receive this sacrament  
always be strengthened to do your will,  
in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

**People Amen.**

Presider 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.**

### **Blessing**

Presider Go forth in the name of Christ to love and serve the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God**

**Hymn: - 239 *Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now v. 1, 4***

***Thank You for Worshiping with us This Morning!***

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