

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

February 4, 2024 11:00 a.m.



Fifth
Sunday after
the Epiphany

PRELUDE

Prelude in G Major Voluntary No 2

C. Callahan D. Bédard

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

A Place at the Table

TABLESONG

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#243 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR

*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God,
you ask us to share the love
you have so freely given us and instead,
we chose to keep our hearts protected
and fenced off from others.
You have told us to care for our neighbour
and show them kindness,
yet we look the other way
and pretend we do not see the good we can do.
Forgive us our selfishness,
forgive us our hard heartedness,
forgive us our lack of action.
May we live with soft hearts and open hands,
eager to do all that you ask.

(Silence for personal reflection and confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

R. Goodson

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 40:21-31 Page 741, 1st half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#634 Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE

SECOND TESTAMENT READING

Mark 1:29-31 Page 36, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

INTERGENERATIONAL SERMON

"Take My Hands, Lord Jesus" Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

HYMN OF APPROACH

#26 Many and Great LACQUIPARLE

GATHERING AT THE TABLE

*The Passing of the Peace

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate.

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty

from there he shall come to judge

the quick 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.

*catholic means the church universal or the church for all time

The Bread

The Cup

All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

Meditation on SALZBURG (2024)

*New Doxology

M. Adria

D. Laskv

Let's praise God for each good thing. All creation, shout and sing! Praise three persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen. *Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#248 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light. HOUSTON

THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.
*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amon

*Congregational Amen

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

*POSTLUDE

Fantasia J. Behnke

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Scripture Reading - Gordon Dinwoodie, Twyla Fletcher; Communion Preparation - Jack Lepine, Twyla Fletcher, Arlene Clark; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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— FBC Council