

ST. BRIDE'S CHURCH**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY****PRELUDE****HYMN****Be Thou My Vision**

Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
thou my inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'ns sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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*Minister**Lord, open our lips,***People****And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.***Minister**O God, make speed to save us.***People****O Lord, make haste to help us.****All**

**Glory to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever,
world without end. Amen**

*Minister**God rules over all the earth,***People****O come, let us worship****THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God,
the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy,
increase and multiply upon us your mercy,
that with you as our ruler and guide,
we may so pass through things temporal,
that we lose not the things eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**1st Reading: Genesis 29:15-28 JACOB MARRIES LABAN'S DAUGHTERS**Reader: **Jocelyn Beckles**After Reading: Reader: *The Word of the Lord***ALL: Thanks be to God****Hymn Take My Life, and Let It Be**

Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.
Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King.
Always, only, for my King.

Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold.
Not a mite would I withhold.

Take my love, my God, I pour
At Thy feet it's treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee
Ever, only, all for thee.

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Children's Chat*KIDS EXIT TO GNC***2nd Reading: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 THE PARABLE OF THE MUSTARD SEED** Reader: **Doreen Tunney**After Reading: Reader: *The Word of the Lord***ALL: Thanks be to God****SERMON Bill Kingston****THE CREED**

Minister

*Let us Confess our faith 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**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Minister We have come together in the name of Christ to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world,
and to seek forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.*

*So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.*

(SILENCE IS KEPT FOR REFLECTION)

Minister 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**

*Minister May the Father of all mercies
cleanse us from our sins,
restore us in his image,
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen*

RECEIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS (PASS THE PLATE)**OFFERTORY HYMN*****Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers***

Spirit divine, attend our prayers
and make our hearts thy home;
descend with all thy gracious power;
O come, great Spirit, come!

Come as the light; to us reveal,
our emptiness and our woe,
and lead us in those paths of life
where all on the righteous go.

Come as the dew and sweetly bless,
This consecrated hour,
May barrenness rejoice to own
thy fertilizing power.

Spirit divine, attend our prayers
Make a lost world thy home;
descend with all thy gracious power;
O come, great Spirit, come!

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OFFERTORY DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Led by Lou Schulte

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister *Let us pray as our Saviour has taught us,*

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 BLESSING

HYMN***God of Grace and God of Glory***

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown your ancient church's story,
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control.
Shame our wanton selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation,
To the evils we deplore.
Let the joy of thy salvation,
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving thee whom we adore,
Serving thee whom we adore.

Set our feet on lofty places,
Gird our lives that they may be,
Armoured with all Christ-like graces,
In the fight to set all free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
That we fail not man nor thee,
That we fail not man nor thee.

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DISMISSAL

Minister *Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.*

ALL: ***Thanks be to God.***