**ST. BRIDE'S CHURCH** **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**PRELUDE**

**HYMN** ***Holy, Holy, Holy***

Holy, holy, holy- Lord God almighty,
early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy- merciful and mighty,
God in three persons blessed trinity.

Holy, holy, holy- all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee
who wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy- though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful flesh thy glory may not see;
only thou art holy, there is none beside thee;
perfect in power in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy- Lord God almighty
all thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy- merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed trinity.

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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**

**PRAISE** **The God of Grace and Peace we Bless**

The God of grace and peace we bless
for endless mercies given,
a God of love and faithfulness,
our Father God in heaven.
A living hope, a promise true,
unfading, undefiled,
he gives to all who, born anew,
in Christ are reconciled.

For Christ is risen from the dead
who suffered for our sins;
through him, whose precious blood was shed,
our risen life begins.
Defended by the Spirit's powers,
in faith we watch and pray,
as heirs of all that shall be ours
in God's eternal day.

Stir up, O Lord, our faint desire,
revive us as of old;
may faith when tested in the fire
shine forth as purer gold!
Our eyes be set on things above,
that rainbow-circled throne,
and he, whom yet unseen we love,
in joy revealed and known.

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**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty and everliving God,
increase in us your gift of faith,
that forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to what is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. ***AMEN***

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**1st Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10** **Salutation** *Reader: Sheelagh Reades*
*After Reading:* *Reader: The Word of the Lord* ***ALL: Thanks be to God***

**Anthem** **This Little Light of Mine** **Selahbration**
*ARR. BY: Mark Hayes*

**Children's Chat** *KIDS EXIT TO GNC* *JONATHAN HUNT*

**2nd Reading: Matthew 22: 15-22** ***THE QUESTION ABOUT PAYING TAXES*** *Reader: Paul Moore*

*After Reading:* *Reader: The Word of the Lord* ***ALL: Thanks be to God***

**SERMON** ***Darrin Gaudreau (Threshold Ministries)***

**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**

***Name of All Majesty***

Name of all majesty, fathomless mystery,
king of the ages by angels adored;
power and authority, splendour and dignity,
bow to his mastery—Jesus is Lord!

Child of our destiny, God from eternity,
love of the father on sinners outpoured;
see now what God has done, sending his only son,
Christ the beloved One - Jesus is Lord!

Saviour of Calvary, costliest victory,
darkness defeated and Eden restored -
born as a man to die, nailed to a cross on high,
cold in the grave to lie - Jesus is Lord!

Source of all sovereignty, light, immortality,
life everlasting and heaven assured;
so with the ransomed, we praise him eternally,
Christ in his majesty - Jesus is Lord!

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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 Bill Kingston*

**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 GRACE**

**People** **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

**HYMN** **Rejoice, the Lord Is King**

Rejoice, the Lord is king: your Lord and king adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he has purged our stains, he took his seat above;
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n:
lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God's right hand 'til all his foes submit,
and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the judge shall come
and take his servants up to their eternal home:
we soon shall hear the archangel's voice,
the trump of God shall sound: rejoice!

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**DISMISSAL**

*Minister* *Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.*
***ALL:*** ***Thanks be to God.***