

# THE SENT: GOD'S CHURCH DEPLOYED

An Anglican online presence  
in the Deanery of Essex,  
with parish partnerships in  
the Diocese of Huron,  
members of the Anglican  
Church of Canada.

A Service of the Word  
for

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany / Transfiguration Sunday  
February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## Gathering of the Community & Thanksgiving for Baptism

One Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

All Amen.

## Welcome

Opening Hymn CP 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

## Confession and Absolution

One Most merciful God,

All we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

One The good news of our faith is this: if we call upon God we will be answered and forgiven. That promise gives us peace and joy; let us share that peace and joy with one another.

All Amen.

## The Apostolic Grace

One The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ✠ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All And also with you.

## Prayer / Collect of the Day

One Compassionate God, you transfigured your Son, Jesus Christ, before the eyes of your chosen witnesses and they were overcome by fear. Transfigure us so that we may turn from fear to love and reveal your compassion for all humanity; through Jesus Christ, the beloved.

All Amen.

### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading	EXODUS 24:12-18	
Psalm	2	
Second Reading	2 PETER 1:16-21	
Gradual Hymn	CP 341	God of Mercy, God of Grace
Gospel Reading	MATTHEW 17:1-9	

### Gospel Discussion

1. Where is the trouble/challenge/conflict in the passage?
2. Where is the trouble/challenge/conflict in our world?
3. Where is the grace/love in the passage?
4. Where is the grace/love in our world?

### Apostles' Creed

One With the whole church, let us confess our faith:  
All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated and the right had of the Father, and he will come 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.

### Intercessions and Thanksgivings

#### The Peace

One The peace of Christ be with you always.  
All And also with you.

#### Offering

Offertory Hymn CP 592 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

### Thanksgiving for the Word

*Please respond to each petition ending "For your Word of Life, O God." with "We give you thanks and praise."*

### The Lord's Prayer

One Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.  
All 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.

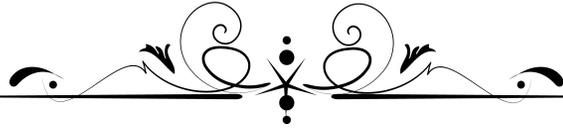
### Announcements

#### Blessing

Closing Hymn CP 328 Lo, God Is Here! Let Us Adore

#### Dismissal

One Christ has been revealed to us that we might follow him and transform the world. Go in love; work for peace.  
All Thanks be to God.



## Announcements

Join us each week to worship in this form via Facebook Live and YouTube. We will be here each week to offer worship leadership. Please watch your emails and parish Facebook and webpage for updates going forward. Each participating parish will communicate changes as we move through this time. Please be in touch with our Chaplain Rev'd Paul or your parish priest should you need pastoral care, we are all available to offer support safely during this time. Your financial support of **The SENT: God's Church Deployed** is important to sustain this ministry in the wider world. The simplest way to support this ministry is c/o St. Augustine of Canterbury Anglican Church with "The SENT" in the memo line or notes field.

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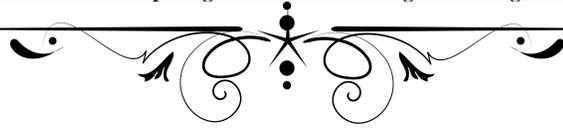
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**STAND WITH UKRAINE**  
**365 Days of Resistance**

**Friday, February 24, 2023**

**Candlelit Vigil**  
**in solidarity with Ukraine**

**City Hall**  
**Windsor, Ontario**  
**6pm**

**Bring Ukrainian flags and Battery Operated Candles**



## Word

### 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson

EXODUS 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The word of the Lord.    **All**    **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm

**One**    Why are the nations in an uproar? Why do the peoples mutter empty threats? Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, against the Lord and against his Anointed?

**All**    **REFRAIN**                      **God has exalted his anointed.**

"Let us break their yoke," they say; "let us cast off their bonds from us." He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; the Lord has them in derision.

**All**    **REFRAIN**                      **God has exalted his anointed.**

Then he speaks to them in his wrath, and his rage fills them with terror. "I myself have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion."

**All**    **REFRAIN**                      **God has exalted his anointed.**

Let me announce the decree of the Lord: he said to me, "You are my Son; this day have I begotten you. Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession. You shall crush them with an iron rod and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

**All**    **REFRAIN**                      **God has exalted his anointed.**

And now, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth. Submit to the Lord with fear, and with trembling bow before him;

**All**    **REFRAIN**                      **God has exalted his anointed.**

Lest he be angry and you perish; for his wrath is quickly kindled. Happy are they all who take refuge in him!

**All**    **REFRAIN**                      **God has exalted his anointed.**

GLORY TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:

**All**    **AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW AND WILL BE FOREVER. AMEN**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson

2 PETER 1:16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The word of the Lord.    **All**    **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Lesson

**One**    The Lord be with you.

**All**    **And also with you.**

**One**    The holy gospel according to Matthew

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

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

The gospel of the Lord.

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

## Hymns

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### Gathering Hymn CP 5

#### Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2 Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return  
till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes and warm my heart.

3 Visit then this soul of mine,  
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, Radiancy divine,  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

### Gradual Hymn CP 341

#### God of Mercy, God of Grace

1 God of mercy, God of grace,  
show the brightness of your face;  
shine upon us, Saviour, shine;  
fill your church with light divine;  
and your saving health extend  
unto earth's remotest end.

2 Let the people praise you, Lord;  
be by all that live adored;  
let the nations shout and sing  
glory to their Saviour King;  
at your feet their tribute pay,  
and your holy will obey.

3 Let the people praise you, Lord;  
earth shall then its fruits afford,  
God to us all blessings give,  
we to God devoted live;  
all below and all above  
one in joy and light and love.

### Response Hymn CP 383

#### Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

1 Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun  
doth its successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song;  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.

3 Blessings abound where e'er he reigns:  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.

4 Let every creature rise and bring  
peculiar honours to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud Amen.

### Offertory Hymn CP 592

#### Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

1 Where cross the crowded ways of life,  
where cries of tribe and race resound,  
amid the noise of selfish strife,  
O Christ, your word of life is found.

2 In haunts of wretchedness and need,  
on shadowed thresholds, dark with fears,  
from paths where hide the lures of greed,  
we catch the vision of your tears.

3 From children's tender helplessness,  
from men and women's grief and toil,  
from famished souls, from sorrow's  
stress,  
your heart has never known recoil.

4 The cup of water given for you  
still holds the freshness of your grace;  
yet long these multitudes to view  
the sweet compassion of your face.

5 O Jesus, from the mountainside,  
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;  
among these restless throngs abide;  
O tread the city's streets again;

6 till all the world shall learn your love,  
and follow where your feet have trod;  
till glorious from your heaven above  
shall come the city of our God.

### Closing Hymn CP 328

#### Lo, God Is Here! Let Us Adore

1 Lo, God is here! let us adore,  
and own how awesome is this place;  
let all within us feel God's power  
and bow before the hidden face.  
Redeeming Lord, your grace we prove,  
serve you with awe, with reverence love.

2 Lo, God is here! Both day and night  
united choirs of angels sing;  
to God, enthroned above all height,  
heaven's host their noblest praises bring;  
disdain not, Lord, our meaner song,  
who praise you with a stammering  
tongue.

3 Being of beings, may our praise  
your courts with grateful fragrance fill;  
still may we stand before your face,  
still hear and do your sovereign will;  
to you may all our thoughts arise,  
ceaseless, accepted sacrifice.