

# Lent 1 – March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

## The Regional Ministries of Brome-Missisquoi

**Prelude:** Air from Suite No.3. J.A.Bach arr.  
Christopher Tambling

### Our Announcements

### Our Collect

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin; give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so we may know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



### Hymn #175

1 Forty days and forty nights  
you were fasting in the wild;  
forty days and forty nights  
tempted, and yet undefiled:

2 burning heat throughout the day,  
bitter cold when light has fled,  
prowling beasts around your way,  
stones your pillow, earth your bed.

3 Shall not we your trials share,  
learn your discipline of will,  
and with you by fast and prayer  
wrestle with the powers of hell?

4 So if Satan, pressing hard,  
soul and body would destroy:  
Christ who conquered, be our guard;  
give to us the victor's joy.

5 Saviour, may we hear your voice --  
keep us constant at your side;  
and with you we shall rejoice  
at the eternal Eastertide.



### The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

### A Prayer for Regional Ministry

O God, you have called us together in this Regional Ministry to bear witness to your loving presence here in the Eastern Townships. Scripture teaches us that while we are many, we all make up one body – the body of Christ. Fill us with your Holy Spirit so that we may fulfill the work you have given us to do in this place; for the sake of Jesus Christ and his Kingdom. Amen.

## Land Acknowledgement

In this holy time and place, we acknowledge with respect that we gather on the traditional, ancestral territories of the Wôbanakiak (Abenaki) First Peoples. **May the living Christ lead us all on pathways of reconciliation and peace. Amen.**

**Almighty God** 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.

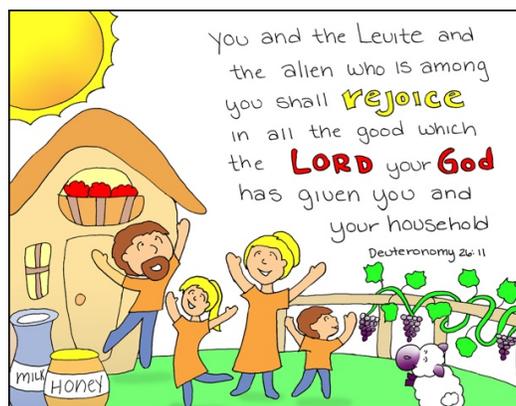
## The Proclamation of the Word

### Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (read by Kate Murray)

When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us."

When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.



## Psalm 91

## Refrain

Michael Joncas 1979

A7 D

"And I will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,

Em A7 D D7

bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the

G A7 Bm F#m Em A7 D

sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand."

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You who dwell in the shelter of your God,  
 who abide in God's shadow for life,  
 say to your God: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"  
 The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
 and famine will bring you no fear:  
 under God's wings your refuge, God's faithfulness your shield. R

You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day;  
 though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.  
 For to the angels is given a command to guard you in all your ways;  
 upon their hands they will bear you up,  
 lest you dash your foot against a stone. R

"Because they have set their love upon me I will deliver them,  
 I will uphold them because they know my name.  
 When they call to me I will answer,  
 I will be with them in trouble;  
 I will rescue and bring them to honour.  
 With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my saving power." R

Under His wings  
 you will find  
 Refuge  
 Psalm 91:4

**Romans 10:8b-13** (read by the Rev. Judy Ball)

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

**Hymn #458**

See ye first the kingdom of God  
and God's righteousness,  
and all these things will be added unto you.  
Allelu, Allelu-ia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
seek and you shall find,  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Allelu, Allelu-ia.

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Alleluia, Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia,  
Alleluia, Alleluia

**Luke 4:1-13**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished.

The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

**The Sermon:** The Rev. Tim Smart

### **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there 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.

### **The Prayers of the People – led by Kate Murray**

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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:

#### **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 upon us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

**May Almighty God** have mercy on us, pardon and deliver us from all our sin, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Peace**

#### **Hymn #511**

1 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
and purge away my sin;  
from earthborn passions set me free,  
and make me pure within.

2 Lord Jesus, think on me  
with many a care oppressed;  
let me thy loving servant be,  
and taste thy promised rest.

3 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
nor let me go astray;  
through darkness and perplexity  
point thou the heavenly way.

4 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
that, when the flood is past,  
I may the eternal brightness see,  
and share thy joy at last.

5 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
that I may sing above  
to Father, Holy Ghost, and thee  
the songs of praise and love.

**Eucharistic Prayer # 3** page 198

(Musical setting CP#722 Sanctus &amp; Benedictus Responses Setting, Tune: Picardy)

**The Lord's Prayer****Music during Communion:** Ave Verum Corpus. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Arr. Christopher TamblingPrayer after Communion:**All your works praise you O, Lord/** And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

May we, who share his body, live his risen life. May we, who drink his cup, bring life to others.

We, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope that you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Blessing****Hymn #564**

1 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
For we have no help but Thee;  
Yet possessing every blessing,  
If our God our Father be.

3 Spirit of our God descending,  
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy,  
Love with every passion blending,  
Pleasure that can never cloy;  
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
Nothing can our peace destroy.  
Amen.

2 Savior, breathe forgiveness o'er us,  
All our weakness Thou dost know;  
Thou didst tread this earth before us,  
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
Lone and dreary, faint and weary,  
Through the desert Thou didst go.

**The Dismissal** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord/ **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!****Postlude:** Aus Der Tiefe C.S.Lang. **Organist:** Sarah Hoblyn**Announcements****Wednesdays** at 11:00 am at Grace Church, Mass with the Rev. Linda Spear. Everyone is welcome.**Evening Prayer on Zoom**, every Wednesday at 4:00 pm. (With the same link as Sunday mornings.)<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92308993751>**We Wish** Fr. Tyson Røsborg a very Happy Birthday on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>!**PWRDF** Sign up for email news: <https://pwrdf.org/subscribe-to-our-newsletter/>