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## All Saints' Westboro



*Snow drops in Britannia Bay – God's promise of Spring  
Photo by Helen Norman*

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**9:30 am**

**Zoom service that will also be recorded**

The Ven. Christopher Dunn  
The Rev. Simone Hurkmans  
The Rev. Deacon Dr. Jarrett Carty  
Music: Edith Troup  
Children and Youth: Julie Newlands

Officiant: Dear friends, as we gather virtually, we acknowledge with gratitude the land that has been inhabited and cared for by Indigenous peoples from the beginning, and, in particular, the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people. We also recognize the contributions that Métis, Inuit, and other Indigenous peoples have made in shaping and strengthening our communities.

**All: May we walk gently together on this land, seeking renewed relationship based on honour, respect, and peace.**

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

**All: And also with you.**

Trisagion (CP#707) (x3)

Ho - ly God, ho - ly and migh - ty,  
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ho - ly im - mor - tal one, have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant: Holy God, Maker of all,

**People: have mercy on us.**

Officiant: Jesus Christ, Son of Mary,

**People: have mercy on us.**

Officiant: Holy Spirit, breath of life,

**People: have mercy on us.**

Officiant: Let us in silence remember our own faults and failings.

*Silence is kept*

Officiant: In the community of Christ's Church and in the presence of all God's people, I confess to God that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed. I have not loved God, cared for God's world, or respected God's people as I should. I own my responsibility and pray for God's pardon.

**People: May God forgive you, Christ befriend you, and the Spirit renew and change your life.**

Officiant: Amen

**People: In the community of Christ's Church and in the presence of all God's people, we confess to God that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved God, cared for God's world, or respected God's people as we should. We own our responsibility and pray for God's pardon.**

Officiant: May God forgive you, Christ befriend you, and the Spirit renew and change your life.

**People: Amen.**

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Officiant: Steadfast God,

**All: you reach out to us in mercy. When we rebel against your holy call and walk in disobedience, soften our hearts with the warmth of your love, so that we may know your Son alive within us, redeeming us, and raising us up into your eternal presence. Amen.**

## The First Reading is from Numbers (21:4-9)

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

One: Give thanks to the Lord who is good,

**All: and whose mercy endures for ever.**

One: Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed  
proclaim

**All: that God redeemed them from the hand of the  
foe.**

One: The Lord gathered them out of the lands;

**All: from the east and from the west, from the north  
and from the south . . . .**

One: Some were fools and took to rebellious ways;

**All: they were afflicted because of their sins.**

One: They abhorred all manner of food

**All: and drew near to death's door.**

One: Then they cried to you, O Lord, in their trouble,  
**All: and you delivered them from their distress.**

One: You sent forth your word and healed them  
**All: and saved them from the grave.**

One: Let them give thanks to you, O Lord, for your mercy  
**All: and the wonders you do for your children.**

One: Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving  
**All: and tell of your acts with shouts of joy.**

### **The Second Reading is from Ephesians (2:1-10)**

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: To God Be the Glory

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To God be the glory, who great things has done!  
God so loved the world, freely sending the Son,  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Refrain:*

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the earth hear God's voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father,  
through Jesus the Son,  
and give God the glory,  
who great things has done!

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God:  
that when the offender, repenting, believes,  
through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives.

*Refrain*

Great things God has taught us,  
great things God has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;  
but purer and higher and greater will be  
our wonder, our gladness when Jesus we see!

*Refrain*

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John (3:14-21)

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

Jesus said, "And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And

this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

Officiant: Let us make an affirmation of faith, as we say,

**All: You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you.**

Prayers of the People *(prepared by Catrina Tapley)*

One: As we continue our journey through the pandemic wilderness help us to remember that even in times of trial you have created us to do good works. We lift up to you in prayer those in our community and our world who need care and support; may our hands follow our hearts in giving love and assistance. God of love,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for all people of faith that we may worship you freely and without fear. We pray for those in our Anglican communion: for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Mark, our Indigenous Archbishop; Shane, our Bishop; Chris, Simone, and Jarrett, our clergy; and for Edith and Julie who lead important ministries in this place. God of love,  
**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for those who are sick. In our own community we pray for:

**All: Betty-Joan** (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Brayden** (Turtle); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Carran** (Taylor); **Nancy** (Irvine); **Randy** (Brown); **Charlie** (Cuffari); **Barbara** (Hill); **Ernest** (Betancourt); **David** (Nador); **Janet** (Whillans); **Bart** (Beglo); **Dan** (Gates); **Steve** (Jodoin); **Phyllis** (Marete); **Meghan** (Case)

One: and those whom we name silently or aloud. . . . God of love,  
**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We remember those who have died, especially those whom we name silently and aloud . . . . God of love,  
**All: hear our prayer.**

One: Loving God, this past week we have felt the breath of spring; fill us with your grace so that we may have hope for a better tomorrow and a better world. Receive our prayers and grant us what we need. All this we ask in Jesus' name.  
**All: Amen.**

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**All: And also with you.**

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus, thou art all compassion;  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver;  
let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.

Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee,

changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Officiant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we say,

**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.**

Officiant: All your works praise you, O Lord.

**All: And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God, we long for the time when we can be fed by the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who look to the time when we can share his body, live his risen life; we, who wait with expectation to drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope 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.**

Officiant: Let us give thanks to God.

**All: God is good. God's steadfast love endures.**

Officiant: Let us respond to that love.

**All: As we ready ourselves for a fresh start, God's steadfast love is there.**

Officiant: As we prepare to put everything unworthy behind us, God's steadfast love is there.

**All: As we affirm those who support and encourage others and remember that God is there for the most vulnerable, God's steadfast love is there.**

Officiant: Rejoice! God's love for us is complete and never-ending.

**All: We will go out with joy.**

Officiant: And the blessing . . . .

*Announcements*

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Readings for Next Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 119:9-16;

Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

Please pray this week for

- those worshipping and ministering at St. Paul's, Almonte;
- in our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem and The Middle East, St. Paul's Church, Shefa'Amr, Israel
- those in our Pastoral Care: Charles Mackie, Ida Capern, Randy Brown, and Viola Martin; and
- Ottawa West Community Support, the Parkdale Food Centre, and for the Westboro Region Food Bank.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Reader: Eric Bays

Cantor: Patricia Bays

Intercessor: Catrina Tapley

*Credits:*

*Opening prayers from A Wee Worship Book, fifth edition, p. 51.*

*Collect from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.*

*Readings from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.*

*Psalm reprinted from A Liturgical Psalter, General Synod 2016 edition, the psalter*

*of the Book of Alternative Services emended for contemporary liturgical use*

*Liturgical texts from The Book of Alternative Services*

*Affirmation of faith from A New Zealand Prayer Book*

*Closing prayers from Responsive Prayers: For Every Week of the Church Year,*

*David Sparks, Year B*

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# Saints Alive!

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro  
Fourth Sunday of Lent March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

## This Week

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Monday	5:00 to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
Tuesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	7:00 pm	Partnership Management Com.	Zoom
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
Thursday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	5:00 to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
	7:00 pm	Parish Council	Zoom
Friday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom

## Upcoming Events

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### Morning Prayer in Lent

#### Tuesday to Friday, at 9:00 am, via Zoom

Join Simone for morning prayer throughout Lent. We'll be rotating through four different forms of Morning Prayer. The Zoom link will remain the same for all sessions. Let's pray together!



*The Yawning Snowy Owl  
Photo by Christopher Dunn*