

Sunday, January 25th, 2009—The Conversion of Saint Paul
8am Said Eucharist (BCP) 11am Festal Eucharist (BAS)
Acts 26.9–23 Psalm 67 Galatians 1.11–24 Matthew 10.16–22

Parish Notices

Our next Vestry is Tuesday February 13th 7:30 PM upper hall.

Our monthly Pot Luck lunch will be next Sunday, January 25th.

Our AGM will be after church on February 8th. Please save the date. Any reports to be included in the circular should be submitted to Fr. George by January 30th for copying.

Lent begins with The Solemn Liturgy of Ash Wednesday on February 25th at 7:30 PM.

2009 marks our 120th Anniversary. Please block off the weekend of All Saints Day (November 1st) now. Bishop Hoskin will be here and there will be a major event that evening in the Alhambra Room at the Fairmont Banff Springs.

2009 envelopes have been available for some time. Please pick your set up at the back of the church, or if you would like 2009 envelopes please ask Susan Wannamaker or Fr. George.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

“That they may become one in your hand” (Ezekel 37.17)

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2009 is rooted in the experience of the churches in Korea. In their context of national division the churches have turned for inspiration to the prophet Ezekiel, who also lived in a tragically divided nation and longed for the unity of his people.

Day 1 Christian communities face to face with old and new divisions
Ezek 37: 15-19, 22-24a Ps 103: 8-13, or 18 1 Cor 3: 3-7, 21-23 Jn 17: 17-21

God of compassion, you have loved and forgiven us in Christ, and sought to reconcile the entire human race in that redeeming love. Look with favour upon us, who work and pray for the unity of divided Christian communities. Grant us the experience of being brothers and sisters in your love. May we be one, one in your hand. Amen.

Day 2 Christians face to face with war and violence
Is 2: 1-4 Ps 74: 18-23 1 Pet 2: 21-25 Mt 5: 38-48

Lord, who gave yourself on the cross for the unity of all humankind, we offer up to you our human nature marred by egoism, arrogance, vanity and anger.
Lord, do not abandon the oppressed who suffer from all sorts of violence, anger and hatred, victims of erroneous beliefs and conflicting ideologies.

Lord, reach out to us with compassion and take care of your people, so that we may enjoy the peace and joy integral to the order of your creation.

Lord, may all Christians work together to bring about your justice, rather than ours.

Give us the courage to help others to bear their cross, rather than putting our own on their shoulders.

Lord, teach us the wisdom to treat our enemies with love instead of hatred. Amen.

Day 3 Christians face to face with economic injustice and poverty
Lev 25: 8-14 Ps 146 1 Tim 6: 9-10 Lk 4: 16-21

God of justice, there are places in this world overflowing with food,
But others where there is not enough and where the hungry and the sick are many.
God of peace, there are those in this world who profit from violence and war, and others who because of war and violence are forced to leave their homes and become refugees.

God of compassion, help us to understand that we cannot live by money alone but that we can live by the word of God, help us to understand that we cannot attain life and true prosperity except by loving God and obeying his will and his teaching.
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Day 4 Christians face to face with ecological crisis
Gen 1: 31-2: 3 Ps 148: 1-5 Rom 8: 18-23 Mt 13: 31-32

God our Creator, the world was created by your Word and you saw that it was good.
But today we are spreading death and destroying our environment.
Grant that we may repent of our greed; help us to care for all that you have made.
Together, we desire to protect your creation. Amen.

Day 5 Christians face to face with discrimination and social prejudice
Is 58: 6-12 Ps 133 Gal 3: 26-29 Lk 18: 9-14

Lord help us to recognize the discrimination and exclusion which damage societies.
Direct our gaze and help us to recognize our own prejudices.
Teach us to banish all contempt and to taste the joy of living together in unity. Amen.

Day 6 Christians face to face with disease and suffering
II Kings 20: 1-6 Ps 22: 1-11 Jas 5: 13-15 Mk 10: 46-52

God, listen to people when they cry to you in sickness and pain.
May the healthy thank you for their wellbeing,
And may they serve the sick with loving hearts and open hands.
God, let all of us live in your grace and providence, becoming a truly healing community and praising you together. Amen.

Day 7 Christians face to face with a plurality of religions
Is 25: 6-9 Ps 117 :1-2 Praise Rom 2:12-16 Mk 7:24-30

Lord our God, we thank you for the wisdom we gain from your scriptures.
Grant us the courage to open our hearts and our minds to neighbours of other Christian confessions and of other faiths; the grace to overcome barriers of indifference, prejudice or hate; and a vision of the last days, when Christians might walk together towards that final feast, when tears and dissension will be overcome through love. Amen.

Day 8 Christian proclamation of hope in a world of separation
Ezek 37: 1-14 Ps 104: 24-34 Rev 21: 1-5a Mt 5: 1-12

Gracious God, you are with us always, amidst suffering and turmoil, and will be to the end of time. Help us to be a people deeply imbued with hope, living out the beatitudes, serving the unity you desire. Amen.

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THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18, 2009 • Sung Eucharist at 11:00am

Prelude

Opening Hymn ALL STAND

Common Praise 398

Celebrant Almighty God,
All unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Summary of the Law ALL SING

Common Praise 677

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hang all the Law and the Prophets.
All Sing Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Kyrie Eleison ALL SING

Common Praise 678

All Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day ALL KNEEL OR BE SEATED

Celebrant The Lord be with you;

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All Amen.

The Lesson PLEASE BE SEATED

I Samuel 3.1–20

AFTER THE READING,

Lector Here endeth the Lesson.

Psalm 139.1–5, 12–18 SAID RESPONSIVELY

O Lord, thou hast searched me out and known me: thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising; thou understandest my thoughts from afar.

Thou art about my path and about my bed, and art acquainted with all my ways.

For lo, there is not a word in my tongue, but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

Thou hast beset me behind and before and laid thine hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me: I cannot attain unto it.

For thou didst form my inward parts: thou didst knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

My frame was not hid from thee, when I was made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.

Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; and in thy book were all of them written,

Even the days that were planned for me, when as yet there was none of them.

How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God! O how great is the sum of them!

If I count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I wake up, I am present with thee.

Glory be to Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, / world without end.

Amen.

The Epistle

I Corinthians 6.12–20

AFTER THE EPISTLE,

Epistler Here endeth the Epistle.

Gradual Hymn *ALL STAND*

Common Praise 559

The Gospel

John 1.43–51

Gospeller The Holy Gospel is written in the ...

Common Praise 680

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

AFTER THE GOSPEL,

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Homily *PLEASE BE SEATED*

The Rector

The Creed *ALL STAND*

All I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us all and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Offertory

Celebrant Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

St. Matthew 5.16

Offertory Hymn

Common Praise 505

Celebrant Blessèd be thou, LORD God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

I Chronicles 29.10, 11, 14

The Prayers of the People *PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED*

Intecessor As we begin the Week of Prayers for Christian Unity, let us pray for Christ's holy catholic Church. Most gracious God, we humbly beseech thee for thy holy catholic Church. Fill it with all truth; in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where any thing is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is in want, furnish it; where it is divided and rent asunder, make it whole again; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Intecessor O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all enmity and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord; that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Intecessor Almighty and everliving God, we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Annette Gordon, Wendy Hansen, Cherry MacDonald and Anne Vellacott. We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: particularly Noah Klekamp, who was buried last Thursday. Accept all our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

People Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Ye that do truly and earnestly repent. meekly kneeling upon your knees.

PLEASE KNEEL OR BE SEATED

All Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Comfortable Words

Sursum Corda

Celebrant The Lord be with you;

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts;

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Sanctus & Benedictus *ALL SING*

Common Praise 683

All Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessèd is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessing and glory and unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

All We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei

Common Praise 85

All O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

Communion Hymn *ALL SING*

Common Praise 499

IN THE ANGLICAN TRADITION, ALL WHO ARE BAPTIZED, IN WHATEVER CHURCH, ARE WELCOME TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT.

The Lord's Prayer *ALL KNEEL OR BE SEATED*

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed by 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 them that 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.

Celebrant Almighty and everliving God. through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

All And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis Deo *ALL STAND*

Common Praise 679

All Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Closing Hymn

Common Praise 467

Voluntary