



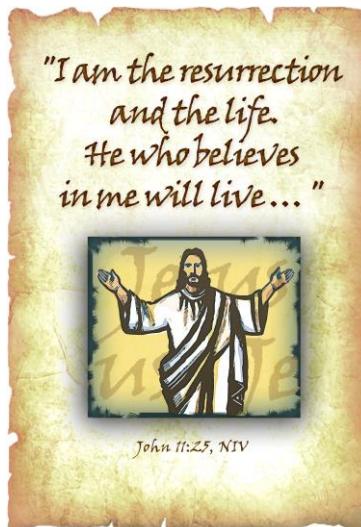
# St. George on Yonge

## Anglican

March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday in Lent

### Ministry of the Word



## The Gathering of the Community

### Organ Prelude

#### Greeting

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Officiant* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* **His mercy endures for ever.**

#### Collect for Purity

*Officiant* Almighty God,  
*People* **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.**

#### Kyrie Eleison [Arranged by Michael Leach]

*Officiant* Kyrie eleison.  
*People* **Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**  
*Officiant* Christe eleison.  
*People* **Christe eleison. Christe eleison.**  
*Officiant* Kyrie eleison.  
*People* **Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.**

#### Confession and Absolution

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*Officiant* 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.

*Silence is kept.*

*Officiant* Most merciful God,  
*People* **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.**

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*Officiant* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Hymn #636 "Come, Thou Holy Spirit, Come"

Text from Latin; translation by Edward Caswell

1 Come, thou Holy Spirit, come,  
and from thy celestial home  
shed a ray of light divine;  
come, Defender of the poor,  
come, thou source of all our store,  
come, within our bosom shine:

5 On the faithful, who adore  
and confess thee, evermore  
in thy sevenfold gifts descend:  
give them virtue's sure reward,  
give them thy salvation, Lord,  
give them joys that never end.

## Collect of the Day

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*People* Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## The Proclamation of the Word

### Psalm 130

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber

Tune Hymn #431 Breslau

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| 1 | Out of the depths I call to you,<br>Lord, hear my voice and heed my prayer;<br>Look with compassion on my plea,<br>Weigh my petition, Lord, with care.          | 3 | More certainly than watchmen wait<br>To see the daylight first appear<br>Does my soul wait upon the Lord;<br>I wait in trust and holy fear.  |
| 2 | For if you note each sinful deed,<br>Lord, who could stand when you appeared?<br>But with you is forgiveness found<br>And therefore, Lord, you shall be feared. | 4 | O Israel, wait upon the Lord;<br>Mercy is always found with him,<br>And freedom, too, abounds in God<br>Who frees his people from their sin. |

**Rescue us, O God for whom we wait, from the depths of depression and despair. May we trust in your mercy, know the fullness of your redemption, and share in the glory of your kingdom; through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Holy Gospel:

John 11:1–45

*Reader*    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

<sup>1</sup> Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” <sup>5</sup> Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup> after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

<sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” <sup>8</sup> The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” <sup>9</sup> Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. <sup>10</sup> But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” <sup>11</sup> After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” <sup>12</sup> The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” <sup>13</sup> Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup> For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” <sup>16</sup> Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

<sup>17</sup> When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>18</sup> Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” <sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup> She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

<sup>28</sup> When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” <sup>29</sup> And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where

Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup> The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. <sup>32</sup> When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days." <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

<sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

**Reader**      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God.**

### Reflection

*A time of silence is kept.*

### The Apostles' Creed

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**Officiant**    Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**People**       **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.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Leader*      We pray to you, Lord.  
*People*     **Lord, have mercy.**

### **The Peace**

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

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### **Blessing**

#### **Dismissal**

*Officiant*    Go in peace as we walk our Lenten journey; reflect; pray; continue to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*       **Thanks be to God.**

### **Hymn #511 “Lord Jesus, Think on Me”**

Text by Synesius of Cyrene; translation by Allen W. Chatfield

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| 1    Lord Jesus, think on me<br>and purge away my sin:<br>from earthborn passions set me free<br>and make me pure within. | 4    Lord Jesus, think on me,<br>that, when the flood is past,<br>I may the eternal brightness see<br>and share thy joy at last. |
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### **Organ Postlude**