**Canon Davis Memorial Church**

*Anglican Church of Canada*

**November 6, 2022**

**Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**Worship Service:  Sunday 9:30 a.m.**

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**9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)**p.4

**Opening Hymn # 330**​***O Praise Ye the Lord***

Greeting

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

1st Reading​Haggai 1: 15b, 2: 9

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF HAGGAI  
In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house withsplendour, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendour of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm​98: p. 836 BCP

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things.  
  
**With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.**  
The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.  
  
**He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**  
Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.  
  
**Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.**

With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord.  
  
**Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.**  
Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.  
  
**In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.**

2nd Reading​2nd Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17

A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF PAUL TO THE THESSALONIANS  
As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel​Luke 20: 27-38

Benedictus​p.   9

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**Collect of the Day  Eternal God, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever**. **Amen.**

Collect for Peace​p. 11

Collect for Grace​p. 11

**Offertory Hymn  #435**​

***Take My Life, And Let It Be***

Offertory Response       ***All Things Come of Thee***    *(sung)*

Sermon

**Bel and the Dragon**

*Daniel and the Priests of Bel*

​When King Astyages was laid to rest with his ancestors, Cyrus the Persian succeeded to his kingdom. Daniel was a companion of the king and was the most honoured of all his friends.

​Now the Babylonian had an idol called, Bel, and every day they provided for it twelve bushels of choice flour and forty sheep and six measures of wine.  The king revered it and went every day to worship Bel.  But Daniel worshiped his own God.

​So the king said to him, “Why do you not worship Bel?” He answered, “Because I do not revere idols made with hands, but the living God, who created heaven and earth and his domination over all living creatures.”

​The King said to him, “Do you not think that Bel is a living god?  Do you not see how much he eats and drinks every day?” And Daniel laughed and said, Do

not be deceived. O king, for this thing is only clay inside and bronze outside, and it never ate or drank anything.

​Then the king was angry and called the priests of Bel and said to them, “If you do not tell me who is eating these provisions, you shall die. But if you provide that Bel is eating them, Daniel shall die, because he has spoken blasphemy against Bel.”  Daniel said to the king, “Let it be done as you have said.”

​Now there were seventy priests of Bel, besides their wives and children.  So, the king went with Daniel into the temple of Bel.  The priests of Bel said, “See we are now going outside, you yourself O king set out the food and prepare the wine and shut the door and seal it with your signet.  When you return in the morning, if you do not find that Bel has eaten it all, we will die; otherwise,Daniel will, who is telling lies about us. They were unconcerned, for beneath the table they had made a hidden entrance, through which they used to go in regularly and consume the provisions. After they had gone out, the king set out the food for Bel.  Then Daniel scattered throughout the whole temple in the presence of the king alone. Then they went out, shut the door and sealed it with the king’s signet, and departed.  During the night the priests came as usual, with their wives andchildren. and they ate and drank everything.

​ Early in the morning the king rose and came, and Daniel with him.  The king said, “Are the seals unbroken Daniel.” He answered, “They are unbroken, O king.” As soon as the doors were opened, the king looked at the table and shouted in a loud voice, “You are great, O Bel, and in you there is no deceit at all.”

​But Daniel laughed and restrained the king from going in.  “Look at the floor,” he said, “notice whose footprints these are.”  The king said, “I see the footprints of men and women and children.”

​Then the king was enraged, and he arrested the priests and their wives and children.  They showed him the secret doors through which they used to enter to consume what as on the table.  Therefore, the king put them to death, and gave Bel over to Daniel, who destroyed it and its temples.

*Daniel Kills the Dragon*

​Now in that place there was a great dragon, which the Babylonians revered.  The king said to Daniel, youcannot deny that this is a living god, so worship him.”  Daniel said,” I worship the Lord and my God, for he is the living God. But give my permission, O king, and I willkill the dragon without sword or club. “The king said, “I give you permission.”

​Then Daniel took pitch, fat and hair and boiled them together and made cakes which he fed to the dragon. The dragon ate them and burst open. Then Daniel said, “See what you have been worshiping!”

​When the Babylonians heard about it, they were very indignant and conspired against the king, saying,” The king has become a Jew, he has destroyed Bel, and killed the dragon and slaughtered the priests.” Going to kill the king, they said, “Hand Daniel over to us, or else we will kill you and your household.”  The king saw that they were pressing him hard, and under compulsion he handed Daniel over to them.

*Daniel in the Lion’s Den*

​They threw Daniel into the lion’s den, and he was there for six days.  There were seven lions in the den, and every day they had been given two human bodies and two sheep, but now they were given nothing, so that they would devour Daniel.

​Now the prophet Habakkuk was in Judea; he had made a stew and broken bread into a bowl and was going into the field to take it to the reapers.  But the angel of the Lord said to Habakkuk, “Take the food that you have to Babylon, to Daniel in the lion’s den. Habakkuk said,” Sir, I have never seen Babylon, and |i know nothing about the den.”  Then the angel of the lord took him by the crown on his head and carried him by the hair to, with the speed of the wind, he set him down in Babylon, right over the den.

​Then Habakkuk shouted, “Daniel, Daniel! Take the food that God has sent you.” Daniel said,” You have remembered me, O God and have not forsaken those who love you.”  Daniel got up and ate.  And the angel of God immediately returned Habakkuk to his own place.

​On the seventh day the king came to mourn for Daniel.  When he came to the den he looked in, and there sat Daniel.  The king shouted with a loud voice, “You are great, O Lord, the God of Daniel, and there is no other besides you.”   The he pulled Daniel out and threw into the den those who had attempted hisdestruction, and they were instantly eaten before his eyes.

**Sermon Hymn #312**​

***Sing a New Song Unto the Lord***

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Prayer for the Clergy and People​p. 13

Prayer for All Conditions of Mortals​p. 14

General Thanksgiving *(said by all)*​p. 14

Prayer of Saint Chrysostom​p. 15

**Prayer for a Renewed Church:**  **Almighty God, give us a new vision of you, of your love, of your grace and power, and then, give us a new vision of what you would have us do as your Church in this nation and at this time, and an awareness that in the strength of your Spirit, we can do it to your glory.  In Jesus’ name we pray.  Amen.**

The Grace​p. 15

**Closing Hymn #527**​

***How Firm a Foundation***

Dismissal

Officiant ​​

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People​​​**Thanks be to God.**

Sung Benediction​***Go Now in Peace***

​*(found in the back of the blue hymn book)*

**The Flowers on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Beth Simmons, a gift from Gord Simmons, Pam, Joel, Anna, Molly and**

**Adelle Eagleson, and Brad, Mary Elizabeth, McKenna and Camryn Carroll.**

**NEWS AND EVENTS**

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Please send all announcements for the bulletin to Karen by **11:00 a.m.**

**Tuesday** of each week. Call 519-344-9531 or E-mail: [canondavis@gmail.com](mailto:canondavis@gmail.com).

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If you would like a home visit with Communion or know of someone who would, please let Rev. Ray know as he and/or a Lay Visitor will be available in the coming weeks.

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Please join us for **Coffee Hour**after service for a time of fellowship in the parish hall.

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**Happy Birthday** wishes to Brenda Brown, and Mary Elizabeth Carroll and a happy anniversary to Molly and EdVicary from all your friends at Canon Davis Memorial.

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**Parish Council** is very sorry to announce the following:

**Ladies Guild** will not be making pies until sometime in January 2023.

**CDM** will not be holding a Christmas Bazaar this year.  We may hold something near the end of winter or early spring.

**Ways & Means Dinners** have been cancelled for the rest of 2022 and will start back up in February 2023.

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The **2023 Church Calendars**are available for purchase after church for the next few Sundays.  Cost: $6.00

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A reminder to **turn back the clock one hour** as we are now on Eastern Standard Time.  It is also a good time to remember to **test and/or change the batteries in your smoke alarms.**

**Upcoming Events:**

**23 Nov**​**Parish Council Meeting 10:00 a.m. in**

**the Boardroom**

**26 Nov**​**Sew Day Saturday**from **9:00 to 3:00 p.m**.     Cost $20.00 and lunch included.  Bring your projects and we will have show and tell sew day.