

Holy Trinity Anglican Church - April 28th, 2024
The Service of Holy Baptism Holy Trinity Church
& Youth Inspired Service - 5th Sunday of Easter

Opening Hymn: Do Lord

CHORUS:

Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Way Beyond the Blue.

1. I've got a home in Gloryland that outshines the sun.
I've got a home in Gloryland that outshines the sun,
I've got a home in Gloryland that outshines the sun,
Way beyond the blue

CHORUS:

Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Way Beyond the Blue.

2. I took Jesus as my Saviour, you take him too,
I took Jesus as my Saviour, you take him too,
I took Jesus as my Saviour, you take him too,
While he's calling you.

CHORUS:

Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Way Beyond the Blue.

3. Those who trust in Christ our Saviour shall never die,
Those who trust in Christ our Saviour shall never die,
Those who trust in Christ our Saviour shall never die,
Way beyond the blue.

CHORUS:

Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Do Lord, O Do Lord O Do Remember Me,
Way Beyond the Blue.

Welcome to Claire Rachel Bouzane who is to be Baptized today into the Family of the Church.

Also, today we will be highlighting our Youth's Gifts from God which they performed during the Kiwanis Music Festival.

Children's Time

The Gathering of the Community

All stand.

Leader: 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.

Leader: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Leader: There is one body and one Spirit,

People: There is one hope in God's call to us.

Leader: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Youth Interlude

Eva Roberts - Piano

Lucy Hogg - Piano

Alice Hogg - Piano

The Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

(ACTS 8:26-40)

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is

taken away from the earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

A Reading of PSALM 22:24-30

My praise is of him in the great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: "May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the Lord; he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; they shall be known as the Lord's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn the saving deeds that he has done.

ALL: Father, your tortured Son felt abandoned, and cried out in anguish from the cross, yet you delivered him. He overcame the bonds of death and rose in triumph from the grave. Do not hide your face from those who cry out to you: feed the hungry, strengthen the weak, and break the chains of the oppressed, that your people may rejoice in your saving deeds. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Gradual Hymn: This is My Father's World

1. This my father's world and to my listening ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the
spheres.

This is my father's world; I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
His hand the wonders wrought.

2. This is my father's world, the birds their carols
raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their makers
praise

This is my father's world, he shines in all that's fair,
In the rustling grass I hear him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

3. This is my father's world, oh let me ne'er forget,
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet
This my father's world, the battle is not done,
Jesus who died, shall be satisfied,
And earth and heaven be one.

The Gospel - JOHN 15:1-8

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Piano Solo by Nathan Poole

The Presentation

Leader: The Child will now be presented for Holy Baptism.

Parents & Godparents: We present **Claire Rachel** to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Leader: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents & Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents & Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents & Godparents: I renounce them.

Leader: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents & Godparents: I renounce them.

Leader: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents & Godparents: I renounce them.

Leader: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Parents & Godparents: I do.

Leader: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents & Godparents: I do.

Leader: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Parents & Godparents: I do.

Congregational Response

Leader: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in their life in Christ?

Everyone: We will.

Prayers for the Children

Let us now pray for **(Claire Rachel)** who will to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Open her hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebration of Baptism Thanksgiving over the Water

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: We give you thanks, almighty God and Father, for by the gift of water you nourish and sustain all living things.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Leader: We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the promised land.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Leader: We give you thanks for sending your Son Jesus. For us he was baptized by John in the river Jordan. For us he was anointed as Christ by your Holy Spirit. For us he suffered the baptism of his own death and resurrection, setting us free from the bondage of sin and death, and opening to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Leader: We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with his gifts so that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations and serve you as a royal priesthood.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

Leader: We give you thanks for you have called to new life through the waters of baptism. Now sanctify this water that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection, to be cleansed and

delivered from all sin. Anoint them with your Holy Spirit and bring them to new birth in the family of your Church, that they may become inheritors of your glorious kingdom. We give you praise and honour and worship through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People: Blessed are you, our strength and song, and our salvation.

The Baptismal Covenant

Leader: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy

Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Leader: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Leader: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

The Baptism

Leader: Name your Child

Parents & Godparents:

Leader: Claire Rachel Bouzane, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own forever.

Leader: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

Leader: Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

People: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Congregational Response

Leader: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his

resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Offertory Hymn: Mansion Over the Hilltop

1. I'M SATISFIED WITH JUST A COTTAGE BELOW
A LITTLE SILVER AND A LITTLE GOLD
BUT IN THAT CITY, WHERE THE RANSOMED WILL
SHINE
I WANT A GOLD ONE THAT'S SILVERED LINED.

CHORUS:

I'VE GOT A MANSION JUST OVER THE HILLTOP
IN THAT BRIGHT LAND WHERE WE NEVER GROW
OLD
AND SOMEDAY YONDER WE WILL NEVER MORE
WANDER
BUT WALK THE STREETS THAT ARE PUREST GOLD.

2. THO OFTEN TEMPTED; TORMENTED AND TESTED
AND. LIKE THE PROPHET MY PILLOW A STONE
AND THOUGH I FIND HERE NO PERMANENT
DWELLING
JESUS WILL GIVE ME A MANSION MY OWN.

CHORUS:

I'VE GOT A MANSION JUST OVER THE HILLTOP

IN THAT BRIGHT LAND WHERE WE NEVER GROW
OLD
AND SOMEDAY YONDER WE WILL NEVER MORE
WANDER
BUT WALK THE STREETS THAT ARE PUREST GOLD.

3. DON'T THINK ME POOR OR DESERTED OR LONELY
IM NOT DISCOURAGED; IM HEAVEN BOUND
IM JUST A PILGRIM, IN SEARCH OF A CITY
I WANT A MANSION, A HARP AND A CROWN.

CHORUS:

I'VE GOT A MANSION JUST OVER THE HILLTOP
IN THAT BRIGHT LAND WHERE WE NEVER GROW
OLD
AND SOMEDAY YONDER WE WILL NEVER MORE
WANDER
BUT WALK THE STREETS THAT ARE PUREST GOLD.

Prayer Over the Gifts:

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your
divine life. May everything we do be directed by the
knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of
Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: God is here.

People: We praise God together.

Celebrant: Let us say thank you to God:

People: Who has done so much for us.

Celebrant: God, you made us, and the world and everything in it. All the good we see comes from you. You have always loved us but people have not always loved you. You sent Jesus to show us how to live and to bring us back to you again.

People: Amen. We are alive in Jesus.

Celebrant: He died for us on the cross so that through your Spirit we can all be your people. And so with thanks we praise you.

People: Amen. We are alive in Jesus.

Celebrant: We are here because on the night before he died Jesus shared a meal with his friends. There he took some bread and gave thanks to you, God. He broke it into pieces, and gave it to them. "This is my body," he said. "Do this, and know that I am with you."

People: Amen. We are alive in Jesus.

Celebrant: Later, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to you. He shared it with them, and said "This is my blood, which brings new life. Do this, and know that I am with you."

People: Amen. We are alive in Jesus.

Celebrant: And so, remembering Jesus, who died, was raised to new life by you, and is alive forever, we are glad to share that life and live in him.

People: Amen. We are alive in Jesus.

Celebrant: Send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and wine can be for us the body and blood of Jesus, and through this food give us strength to live as your people.

People: Amen. We are alive in Jesus.

Lord's Prayer

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

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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 those who 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

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We receive Jesus' special gifts to us in this Eucharist.

All: Thank you Jesus.

Celebrant: The Gift of God for the People of God

All: Thanks Be to God

Communion Music:

Prayer after Communion

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn: I've Got The Joy down In My Heart

1. I've got the joy joy joy joy down in my heart
Down in my heart, down in my heart I've got the joy
joy joy joy down in my heart
Down in my heart today.

Chorus

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of
Jesus in my heart

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of
Jesus in my heart.

2. I have the peace that passeth understanding
down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my
heart.

I've got the peace that passeth understanding down in
my heart

Down in my heart today.

Chorus

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love
of Jesus in my heart And I'm so happy so very
happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

3. I have the love of jesus, love of jesus down in
my heart Down in my heart, down in my heart
I've got the love of jesus, love of jesus down in my
heart,
Down in my heart today.

Chorus

And I'm so happy so very happy, I've got the love of
Jesus in my heart And I'm so happy so very happy,
I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.

Leader: The worship is over.

All: Our service begins.