

# CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JOCELYN ALLEN

March 16, 1939 - September 11, 2022

The Church of the Redeemer Saturday, September 17, 2022

### Song: "O Canada"

O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all of us command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free! From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

### ✤ Burial Sentences

The Processional Party enters and the Schola sings

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.

We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord.

I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, from hence-forth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: Even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labours.

Welcome: The Reverend Susan Haig

## **★** The Gathering of the Community

- *Priest:* 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.

Priest: Let us pray.
God of all consolation, in your unending love and mercy you turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life.
Show compassion to your people in their sorrow.
Be our refuge and our strength to lift us from the darkness of grief to the peace and light of your presence.
Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us, conquered death and by rising again, restored life.
May we then go forward eagerly to meet him, and after our life on earth be reunited with our brothers and sisters where every tear will be wiped away. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Lord. Amen.

### First Reading (Eric Allen)

Please be seated

Reader: A Reading from the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.*People:* Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 25.6-9 A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 23 Paraphrase: #519 (Common Praise) "The Lord's My Shepherd"



TEXT: Psalm 23; para. Scottish Psalter, 1650. MUSIC: Melody Jessie Seymour Irvine (1836-1887); harm. Thomas C. L. Pritchard (1885-1960). Harm. © Oxford University Press.

Second Reading (Christopher Allen)

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.*People:* Thanks be to God.

Romans 14.7-9 A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Carol: "Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" (arr. Elizabeth Poston)

Please stand, as you are able

 The tree of life my soul hath seen, Laden with fruit and always green: The trees of nature fruitless be Compared with Christ the apple tree.

- 2. His beauty doth all things excel: By faith I know, but ne'er can tell The glory which I now can see In Jesus Christ the apple tree.
- 3. For happiness I long have sought, And pleasure dearly I have bought: I missed of all; but now I see 'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.
- 4. I'm weary with my former toil, Here I will sit and rest awhile: Under the shadow I will be, Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.
- This fruit doth make my soul to thrive, It keeps my dying faith alive; Which makes my soul in haste to be With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

### The Gospel

*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.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Reader:The Gospel of Christ.All:Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 20.1-9

Homily: The Right Rev'd Andrew Asbil

A moment of silence is observed

**Reflection:** "Evening Prayer" (from Hansel & Gretel by Engelbert Humperdinck)

Sung by Gill Davis, Daphne Payne

When at night I go to sleep Fourteen angels watch do keep Two my head are guarding Two my feet are guiding Two are on my right hand Two are on my left hand Two who warmly cover Two who o'er me hover Two to whom 'tis given To guide my steps to heaven

#### The Prayers of the People (Geoffrey Allen)

Please stand, as you are able

Leader: God of mercy, Lord of life, you have made us in your image to reflect your truth and light: we give you thanks for Jocelyn, for the grace and mercy she received from you, for all that was good in her life, for the memories we treasure today.

People: Hear us, Lord.

*Leader:* You promised eternal life to those who believe. Remember for good this your servant Jocelyn as we also remember her. Bring all who rest in Christ into the fullness of your kingdom where sins have been forgiven and death is no more.

People: Hear us, Lord.

Leader: Your mighty power brings joy out of grief and life out of death. Look in mercy on all who mourn. Give them patient faith in times of darkness. Strengthen them with the knowledge of your love.

People: Hear us, Lord.

*Leader:* You are tender towards your children and your mercy is over all your works. Heal any memories of hurt.

Give us the wisdom and grace to use aright the time that is left to us here on earth, to turn to Christ and follow in his steps in the way that leads to everlasting life.

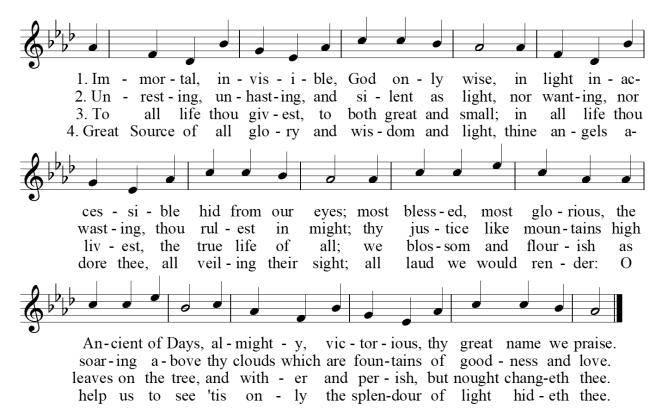
People: Hear us, Lord.

- *Leader:* God of mercy, entrusting into your hands all that you have made and rejoicing in our communion with all your faithful people, we make our prayers through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
- People: Amen.

### The Peace

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

Offertory Hymn: #393 (Common Praise) "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"



Text: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt. Music: Melody Welsh trad.; adapt. John Roberts of Henllan (1808-1876), Caniadau y Cyssegr, 1839, harm. The English Hymnal 1906.

## ✤ The Celebration of the Eucharist

### Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

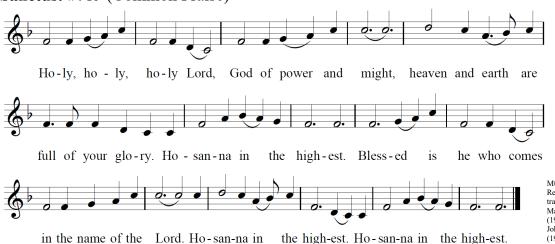
### The Great Thanksgiving



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his glorious resurrection appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory. Therefore we praise you with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

Sanctus: #719 (Common Praise)



MUSIC: Land of Rest: American trad.; adapt. Marcia Pruner (19??-); harm. John Campbell (1950-).



We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have Priest: made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your People; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

> On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

#### All: we remember his death: we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; Priest: presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.
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.

### The Breaking of the Bread

- *Priest:* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
- *All:* We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.
- *Priest:* The gifts of God for the People of God.
- People: Thanks be to God.

### The Giving and Receiving of Communion

*Priest:* Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now.

For those of us participating at home, it is a strange experience to be invited to Communion – not through the physical bread and wine we can touch and taste – but a Spiritual Communion with the God who comes to meet us wherever we are.

There are no special words or prayers for this, all the Church has ever thought necessary is genuine true desire, lively faith, and genuine love. Come honestly before God the way you know how. You may wish to pray quietly this prayer to help you: One: Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.
You wait for me and only I can let you in.
I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.
Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood,
that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

### The Communion



All in the church are invited to come forward to receive communion. If you need a glutenfree wafer, please indicate when you arrive at the communion station. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms as shown in the picture on the left and the clergy will be pleased to offer you a blessing.

### Communion Song: "Hallelujah" (Leonard Cohen / arr. R. Emerson)

Now, I've heard there was a secret chord That David played, and it pleased the Lord But you don't really care for music, do you? It goes like this, the fourth, the fifth The minor fall, the major lift The baffled king composing hallelujah

You say I took the name in vain I don't even know the name But if I did, well really, what's it to you? There's a blaze of light in every word It doesn't matter which you heard The holy or the broken hallelujah

I did my best, it wasn't much I couldn't feel, so I tried to touch I've told the truth, I didn't come to fool you And even though it all went wrong I'll stand before the lord of song With nothing on my tongue but hallelujah

### **Prayer after Communion**

Priest: God of love, you have fed us at the table of your kingdom. Teach us to trust, without fear, in your eternal goodness and mercy. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: Amen.

Song: "We are not alone" (Pepper Choplin)

We are not alone, God is with us. We are never alone, for God is with us. Now, through all our days, always. For ever and ever, we are never alone.

And God will make us strong, for God is with us. We will press on, for God is with us. Now, through all our days, always. For ever and ever, we are never alone. Our God is with us now.

### The Prayer of Commendation

Priest: Into your hands, O merciful Saviour, we commend your servant Jocelyn. Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen.

#### Dismissal

- *Priest:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
- *People:* Thanks be to God.



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