We acknowledge that we meet and work in Treaty 1 Land. We appreciate the Gifts of Resources from the Creator coming from Treaty 2 and 3 Land. Treaty 1, 2 & 3 Land are the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Dakota, Sioux and Oji-Cree people and the homeland of the Metis Nation. We are grateful for their stewardship of this land and their hospitality which allows us to live, work and serve God the Creator here.

# Epiphany Season - Pray Without Ceasing 2024

Welcome, Thanksgiving & Acknowledgement

Opening Sentence - see insert

Opening Hymn - see insert

#### Penitential Rite

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God. Luke 3.4, 6

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour.

#### God of all mercy,

we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Saviour Jesus Christ, so that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen. 1

#### **Introductory Responses**

O Lord, open our lips and our mouth shall proclaim your praise. You laid the foundation of the earth and the heavens are the work of your hands.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God,

creator of heaven and earth, to you be praise and glory for ever. As your living Word, eternal in heaven, assumed the frailty of our mortal flesh, so may the light of your love be born in us to fill our hearts with joy as we sing.

Blessed be God: Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God forever.

#### The Gloria

Gloria (clap, clap), Gloria (clap, clap), In excelsis Deo Gloria (clap, clap), Gloria (clap, clap), In excelsis Deo

Lord God, heavenly King, Peace you bring to us; We worship you, we give you thanks, We sing our song of praise.

Jesus, Saviour of all, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away our sins, O Lord, Have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand, Lord, receive our prayer, For you along are the Holy One And you alone are Lord.

Glory Father and Son, Glory Holy Spirit, To you we raise our hands up high, We glorify your name. The Psalm - see insert

1st Reading - see insert

The Responsory

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before God.

Tell it out among the nations that the Lord is sovereign.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

Tell out the salvation of God from day to day. Let the whole earth tremble before God.

Declare the glory of the Holy One among the nations and the wonders of God among the peoples

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before God.

2nd Reading - see insert

The Canticle

A Song of the Covenant (Isaiah 42.5-8a)

Thus says God, who created the heavens, \*

who fashioned the earth and all that dwells in it;

who gives breath to the people upon it \*

and spirit to those who walk in it, 'I am the Lord and I have called you in righteousness, \*

I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,

a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the captives from the dungeon, \*

from the prison, those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; \*

my glory I give to no other.' 11

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. **Amen.** 

Gradual Hymn - see insert

The Gospel - see insert

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection - see insert

**The Apostles Creed** 

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

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.

Offertory Hymn - see insert

Prayers For the Community

Sisters and brothers, our baptismal vows call us to compassion and mercy on behalf of those in need. We offer our prayers for the church and the

Everlasting Light of creation, may your people in all world

worship in spirit and in truth.

world.

Holy One, shine upon us and hear us.

May the church discover that unity which is your will.

Holy One, shine upon us and hear us.

May the nations of the earth seek after the ways that make for peace.

Holy One, shine upon us and hear us.

May the whole creation be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of your children. Holy One, shine upon us and hear us.

May all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death

rest in peace and rise in glory.

Holy One, shine upon us and hear us.

Lord God.

you revealed your Son in the waters of the Jordan

and anointed him with the power of the Holy Spirit

to proclaim good news to all people.
Sanctify us by the same Spirit,
that we may proclaim the healing power of the
gospel

by acts of love in your name. Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

Awaiting his coming in glory and gathering our prayers and praises into one, As our Saviour taught us, we invite you pray in the language your heart loves best,

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.

Collect 1 - see insert.

Closing Hymn - see insert

### Dismissal

May God, who has called us out of darkness into the marvelous light of Christ, bless us and fill us with peace. **Amen**.

Collect 2 - see insert