Mary of Magdala Inclusive Catholic Community

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sunday, July 10, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. CST

**WE GATHER AS COMMUNITY**

Gathering

P: Dear Family of Faith, come: Be gathered in the heart of the Divine Holy One:

Source of Life, Love Incarnate and Abiding Wisdom. **All: Amen.**

Chime

Acknowledgement of Territory:

V1: In the Spirit of Truth and Reconciliation we Acknowledge the Land and the Territory on which we live.

 For thousands of years, Indigenous people walked the lands of Turtle Island; relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality.

 Here in Regina, we are gathered on Treaty 4 territory, traditional lands of the Nêhiyawak (neh HEY o wa), Nahkawé (NUK ah way), Nakota, and homeland of the Métis, Lakota, and Dakota. You may acknowledge the land where you are located.

 We acknowledge our responsibilities as settlers and treaty people: that solidarity with our indigenous relatives with whom we share this sacred trust requires active participation in the ongoing struggle for justice, restitution and reconciliation.

Opening Song – All Are Welcome, Marty Haugen

Let us build a house where love can dwell - And all can safely live,
A place where Saints and children tell - How hearts learn to forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions, - Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

All are welcome, all are welcome, All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, - And words are strong and true,
Where all God's children dare to seek - To dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness - And a symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

All are welcome, all are welcome. All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found - And water, wine and wheat:
A banquet hall on holy ground - Where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God, through Jesus, - Is revealed in time and space;
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

All are welcome, all are welcome, All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where hands will reach - Beyond the wood and stone

To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, - And live the Word they’ve known.

Here the outcast and the stranger – Bear the image of God’s face;

Let us bring an end to fear and danger:

All are welcome, all are welcome, All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, - Their songs and visions heard

And loved and treasured, taught and claims – As words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, - Prayers of faith and songs of grace,

Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

All are welcome, all are welcome, All are welcome in this place.

All are welcome, all are welcome, All are welcome in this place.

Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950. Tune: TWO OAKS, with refrain, M. Haugen

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Prayer for Wholeness – Ojibway Nation of Canada, Our World, God’s World, Bible Reading Fellowship, 1968.

V2: Grandfather,

Look at our brokenness.

We know that in all creation only the human family

Has strayed away from the sacred way.

We know that we are the ones who are divided,

And we are the ones who must come back together

To walk the sacred way.

Grandfather, sacred one,

Teach us love, compassion and honour

That we may heal the earth

And heal each other. **All: Amen.**

Song of Praise (Please be on mute for all songs)

Glory To God/de Most High Missa Del Mundo, Jesse Manibusan

Glory! Glory to God/de! Glory in the highest!

Glory! Glory to God/de! Glory to God/de most high!

O God/de, Holy One, almighty God and Father (Mother);

we worship you we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory!

O Lord (God) Jesus Christ, Holy One Redeemer.

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world!

You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord (our God).

You alone are the Most High God with the Spirit in the glory of God!

Opening Prayer

V3: Gracious One of Open Arms and Open Heart, open the sacred space within us that we may hear you calling us to proclaim your message of abundance among those whom we meet along the road of life. Let us walk in integrity of heart following the path you set before us and be bearers of your good news by our deeds as well as our words. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Christ. **All: Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD ­**

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-11; 30:9-14 (Comprehensive Catholic Lectionary)

V4: When you come into the land that God has given you, take some first fruits of your harvest and place them in a basket and go do God’s dwelling place. The priest will take the basket and place it in front of God’s altar. Then, declare in the presence of your God, “My ancestors were Aramean refugees who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as resident aliens. There, they became a great nation, strong and numerous. When the Egyptian ruling class maltreated, oppressed, and enslaved us, imposing harsh servitude upon us, we cried to God, the God of our ancestors. God heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil and our oppression. God then brought us out of Egypt with a strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders. God brought us to this place, and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. Now, therefore, I have brought the first fruits of the produce of the soil which You, God, have given me.” You shall set them before your God, and you shall bow down before your God. Then, you and your household, together with the Levite and the resident aliens who live among you, shall celebrate with all these good things which God, has given you. . . .

If you observe all the commandments I am giving you today, God will generously increase your undertakings, the fruit of your womb, the offspring of your livestock, and the produce of your soil; your God will again take delight in your prosperity, just as God took delight in your ancestors. Yes, keep the commandments and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law. Turn to God with all your heart and with all your soul. God will again delight in you and enable you to thrive. For the Law that I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you or beyond your reach. It is not up in heaven, so that you have to ask, “Who will ascend into heaven to get it and proclaim it to us so we may follow it?” Nor is it beyond the sea, so that you have to ask, “Who will cross the sea to get it and proclaim it to us so we may follow it?” No, the word is very near you. It is in your mouth, and in your heart, so you may follow it.

The Word of a Priestly Writer. **All: Thanks be to God/de.**

Psalm 15 - The One Who Does Justice

**R. The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.**

1 Whoever walks blamelessly and does justice

 Who thinks the truth in the heart and slanders not with the tongue. **R./**

2. Who harms not a fellow human nor takes up a reproach against the neighbour

 By whom the outcast is despised while s/he honours those who fears the Lord. **R./**

3. Who lends not his money at usury and accepts no bribe against the innocent

 Whoever does these things shall never be disturbed. **R./**

2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20 (Inclusive Bible )

V5: A Reading from the Letter to the Colossians

Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation,

for in Christ all things were created in heaven and on earth:

everything visible and invisible.

All things were created through Christ; all were created for Christ.

Christ is before all else that is; in Christ all things hold together.

The church is the body; Christ is its head.

Christ is the Beginning, the firstborn from the dead,

and so Christ is first in every way.

In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

and through Christ, all things are reconciled to God, made one –

whether on earth or in heaven –

making peace by giving his life on the cross.

Receive the Sacred Word. **All: Thanks be to God/de.**

Gospel Acclamation (Please be on mute for all songs)

Gospel Acclamation – Louvores De Deus

Alleluia! May our hearts feel Your Word;

Alleluia! May our lives make it heard!

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 (First Nations Version)

**V6:** The Good Story as told by Shining Light(*Luke,* *First Nations Version*)

**All: Glory to you O God/de.**

A scroll keeper, one who was skilled in his knowledge of tribal law, came to Creator Sets Free (Jesus) to test him and trap him in his words.

“Wisdomkeeper,” he said. “What path must I walk to have the life of the world to come that never fades away, full of beauty and harmony?”

He answered him, “What is written in our tribal law about this? Tell me, how do you see it?”

The scroll keeper spoke from the words of the law, “You must love the Great Spirit from deep within, with the strength of your arms, the thoughts, of your mind, and the courage of your heart, and you must love your fellow human beings in the same way you love yourselves.”

“You have answered well,” Creator Sets Free said back to him. “If you walk this path you will live.”

But the scroll keeper, wanting to look good to others, asked him, “Who are my fellow human beings?”

Creator Sets Free answered him with a story:

         ‘There was a man walking the road from Village of Peace (Jerusalem) to Moon Village (Jericho). On the way he was attacked by thieves, who beat him, stripped him of his clothes, and left him bleeding to death.

         Now it happened that a holy man was on the same road, not far behind. When he saw the man, he went around him on the other side of the road.

 Not far behind him was another man, also from the tribe holy men are chosen from. When he saw the wounded man, he did the same thing as the holy man.

         Then a man from High Place (Samaria), who was also walking the road, saw the wounded man. Even though he was not a Tribal Member but a mixed blood despised by the tribal people, he felt pity for the man. He helped him by pouring good medicine on his wounds and wrapping them in a cloth. He put the man on his own animal and took him to a lodging house to care for him.

          The next day, when the man of High Place was leaving, he gave from his own money pouch to the keeper of the lodging house. ‘Use this to care for him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will give you anything more that is needed.’”

Creator Sets Free then looked at the scroll keeper and said, “Which one of these three acted as a fellow human being to the man who was attacked by the thieves?”

The scroll keeper answered, “The one who had pity on him.”

“Go,” Creator Sets Free said, “And walk in the same way.”

Receive The Good Story.

**All: Praise to you Creator Sets Free, the Chosen One.**

Homily & Sharing in breakout rooms

Creed - Adapted from United Church Alternate Creed

V7: We are not alone, we live in God/de’s world.

We believe in God/de:

    who has created and is creating,

    who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

    to reconcile and make new,

    who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God/de.

We are called to be the Body of Christ:

    to celebrate God/de’s presence,

    to live with respect in Creation,

    and to love and serve others.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God/de is with us.

**All: Amen, We do believe.**

Prayers of the People

P: Jesus, you call us to walk the road of compassion and mercy. With your Spirit as our walking stick for support, we bring our prayers for the mission which you set before us:

V8: For the people of God/de, called to be co-workers in spreading the good news of love and justice, we pray: **R./** **Divine One, we ask with desire and passion.**

For all victims of war and violence in places throughout the world, especially Ukraine; for all who are displaced from their homeland and seek refuge among us, we pray: **R./ Creator, we ask in repentance.**

For the children: those who never came home from residential schools; those in refugee camps; those who are enslaved as soldiers, factory workers, or sex workers; those who are ill; and those suffering because of poverty and any other injustices, we pray: **R./ Sacred Mother, we ask in hope.**

For all people seeking truth and reconciliation, and striving to live in right relationship with people everywhere and all of creation, that they do so with honour, respect and integrity, we pray: **R./** **Spirit of God/de, we ask in humility.**

For those who are seeking help physically, emotionally, or spiritually; and for those with the ability to support them, we pray: **R./ Holy Healer, we ask in faith.**

For Bishop Jane, ordained to priestly ministry seven years ago tomorrow, for her prophetic mission and ministry, her generosity and faithfulness, for her family and all who support her, we pray: **R./ Lady Wisdom, we ask in gratitude.**

For the intentions of this community: those mentioned in the chat and the Bulletin Board, and for those we hold in the silence of our hearts . . . (pause) . . . we pray: **R./** **Loving Mother/Father God/de, we ask with all our heart.**

P: Gracious and loving Source of All Life, everything we do begins with your desire for our good. Help us to see your presence all around us and to continue your work in the world with generosity, faithfulness, and joy. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who has shown us the way. **All: Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

 (We lift together our gifts of bread and wine)

P: Blessed are you, Most Holy One: through your goodness we have received the bread and wine we offer you: fruit of the earth and symbol of all the labours and all the suffering of the world. They will become for us the Bread of Life and the Cup of Blessing.

**All: God/de of Life and Love, / receive these gifts we offer you / in praise and thanksgiving / for the good of all your people.**

V9: Creator God/de, we come before you, this Sunday in Summertime, when even in the light of the season our world knows darkness and chaos. We remember how, in the beginning of creation, your energy burst forth from darkness. “Let there be Light!” And light was. From the abyss, meaning and hope emerged.

God/de of vision, open our eyes to behold in the chaos the life that unfolds; and see before us your promise as announced by the prophets and sages of old.

We proclaim to the heavens the chorus of hope long-sung by the ancients and here echoed:

Holy, Holy: (Please be on mute for all songs) Mass of Louves de Deu, Inca Tradition;

 words: Sophia 2016

 Holy, holy, Holy One, God/de of wonder and joy.

 Heaven and earth your presence revealed,

 Holy, Holy, Holy, One.

 Bless’d the One who comes in your name;

 Bless’d the One as Brother we claim;

 Bless’d our God/de forever to reign;

 Holy, Holy, Holy One.

V10: Creative God/de, source of life and possibility,

 gentle touch to the fragile membrane of life;

 caring gardener of the wet seed in the dark earth;

 Watchful guardian of erupting evolution,

 and loving mother to the pain and joy of childbirth,

 we open wide our hearts to receive your silent presence.

(Extend hands over gifts)

V11: Spirit of wind and fire come upon the gifts we present;

 bread from the grain and wine of the grape,

 that they may become for us the nurturing food of this communion table.

 On the night before he faced his own death, Jesus sat at supper with his companions and friends. He reminded them of all that he taught them, and to fix that memory clearly with them, he bent down and washed their feet.

P: When he returned to his place at the table, he lifted the bread, spoke the blessing, broke the bread and offered it to them saying:

**All: Take and eat; / this is my very self being given for you.**

P: Then taking the cup of wine, crushed from the grapes of nature,

 Jesus spoke the blessing and offered it to them saying:

**All: Take and drink of the cup of the covenant / made new again / through my life in you. Whenever you remember me like this, / I am among you.**

Acclamation: (Please be on mute for all songs) Mass of Louves de Deu, Inca Tradition;

 words: Sophia 2016

 When we eat this life-giving bread; when we share the wine of our lives;

 you are here alive in our midst; Holy, Holy, Holy One.

V12: Gathered round this table of remembrance,

 we ask that we be transformed by the power of your creative Spirit,

 so that we share this sacred meal with humility

 and serve our brothers and sisters with joy.

 In union with all your holy ones from ancient days,

 we remember our beloved dead,

 all those who suffer physical, emotional, mental or spiritual pain,

 and all citizens in our world who are aching for justice and peace.

V13: May we spare neither time nor effort to give generously,

 to live tenderly, and to act in justice and compassion;

 thus helping to build up the Reign of God/de where hatred is diminished,

 poverty eradicated, and all people can live in equality, love and peace.

P: This prayer we make to the God/de who nurtures and sustains,

 in the name of Jesus the Risen Christ:

 Through him, with him and in him, in oneness with the Sacred Spirit,

 all glory and honour is yours, Most Holy One, now and forever.

Amen: (Please be on mute for all songs) Mass of Louves de Deu, Inca Tradition;

 words: Sophia 2016

 Bless our God/de forever to reign; Amen, Amen, Amen.

P: With joy we sing the prayer of Jesus.

Prayer of Jesus (Please be on mute for all songs)

Abba of Jesus Winter Name of God/de Michael Joncas

Abba of Jesus, our God/de in heaven.

How holy do we hold the name you bear!

Send forth your kin-dom, your rule upon us;

your will be done by all your creatures ev’rywhere!

Abba of Jesus, our God/de in heaven,

give us this day the bread we need to live.

Do not remember our sins against you;

forgive us all as we ourselves learn to forgive.

Abba of Jesus, save us from trial,

and keep your people far from evil ways.

Yours is the kin-dom, the power, the glory, through endless days.

Abba of Jesus…

Prayer for Peace:

P: Jesus, you gave us your peace and prayed that all would be one in you.

May our prayers for peace ripple throughout the world.

**All: Shalom, Salaam, Shante, Myr, Pas, la paix, Peace.**

Chime

Invitation to the Table:

P: With faith in you, Christ Jesus, we eat the bread and drink the wine: Your Body, Your Blood.

May they bring us to the fullness of life and light in you forever.

The gifts of God for the People of God/de.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Communion Meditation – We Will Drink the Cup, D. Haas,

**Refrain**

We will drink the cup. We will be the light.

We will stand against the darkness of the night.

We will run the race And see God’s face,

And build the Kin-dom of love.

**1** Do not fear for I am with you.

 Be still and know that I am God. R./

**2** You will run and not grow weary,

 For I your God will be your strength. **R./**

**3 Rejoice and know you are my people**

 **And know that I am your God. R./**

**4** We are the Church, we are the Body.

 We are God’s great work of art. **R./ (2x)** And build the Kin-dom of love.

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Communion Antiphon

**All: You, O Christ, draw all things into eternal oneness.**

Prayer after Communion

V13: Loving Creator and Intimate Friend,

Nourished by this meal we walk the good road toward fullness knowing that you are ever near to us. May no one be a stranger to us, only a friend we haven’t met yet for in Christ we are all one. We make this prayer in all the names of the Divine Holy One. **All: Amen.**

**WE GO TO BE WITNESSES**

Announcements

Blessing/ Dismissal

P: As we go from this place and embrace the challenges before us, we ask for the blessing of the Divine Holy One: for strength to seek justice, for wisdom to care for all creatures, for love to bring forth new life, for courage to speak up for those oppressed. **All: Amen.**

P: We go in peace to be witness of hope in the name of + Creator, Word and Spirit.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Closing Song – Who Will Speak?, Marty Haugen,

**Refrain:**

Who will speak if we don’t?

Who will speak if we don’t?

Who will speak so their voice will be heard?

Oh, Who will speak if we don’t?

Who will speak for the poor and the broken?

Who will speak for the peoples oppressed?

Who will speak so their will be voice will be heard?

Oh, Who will speak if we don’t? R./

Who will speak for the ones who are voiceless?

Speak their truth in places of power?

Who will speak so their voice will be heard?

Oh, who will speak if we don’t? **R./**

Who will speak for the children of violence?

Who will speak for the women abused?

Who will speak so their voice will be heard?

Oh, who will speak if we don’t? **R./**

Who will speak for the plants and the creatures?

Who will speak for the land and the sea?

Who will speak so their voice will be heard?

Oh, who will speak if we don’t? **R./**

Who will speak so their voice will be heard?

Oh, Who will speak if we don’t?

*You are welcome to stay and visit as you like.*

*You are invited to give your greetings to all before you leave.*

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