

**Welcome to
St Matthew's
Perry Beeches
Sunday 2/6/19
Advent of the Spirit**



The Collect

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus
Christ with great triumph to your
kingdom in heaven: we beseech you,
leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen
us and exalt us to the place where our
Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God. now and for ever. **Amen**

Celebration

Hymnal

Introit 207

New praises be given

Offertory 7

Alleluia sing to Jesus

Communion

594 Send forth

37 Breathe on me

From the Acts of the Apostles

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these

instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 97



The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice;
let the multitude of the isles be glad.

**Clouds & darkness are round about him; righteousness
and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

Fire goes before him; and burns up his enemies on every side.

**His lightnings lit up the world;
the earth saw it and trembled.**

The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

**The heavens declared his righteousness,
and all the peoples have seen his glory.**

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in
mere idols. Bow down before him, all you gods.

**Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah
rejoiced, because of your judgements, O Lord.**

For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

**The Lord loves those who hate evil;
he preserves the lives of his faithful
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.**



Light has sprung up for the righteous
and joy for the true of heart.

**Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name.**



From the Revelation of St John

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

*This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.***

♫ **Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to his name
Jesus is Lord of all the earth**

He is the King of creation Alleluia

We have been crucified with Christ

Now we shall live for ever Alleluia



**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to John**

Glory to you

O Lord

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you O Christ**

♪ Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord

Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to his name

Come let us praise the living God

Joyfully sing to our Saviour Alleluia, alleluia ...