

# Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 2, 2020

## St. James Anglican Church

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### TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We welcome you to this service. We begin by acknowledging the traditional territory upon which we gather. For many thousands of years, the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and Huron Wendat Peoples have sought to walk gently on this land. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in honour and deep respect.

Prelude: "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now" (Georg Phillip Telemann)

## A Service of the Word

### The Gathering of the Community

*Bill*           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.**

*Bill*           Faithful God, the shelter of all who hope in you,  
                 may we who seek your face be set free from fear and distress,  
                 and come to see your goodness in the land of the living;  
                 through Jesus Christ, our Light and our Salvation.

*People*       **Amen.**

*Bill*           Let us pray.  
We thank you, O God, that you have brought us together online to praise you for  
your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the  
week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our  
Lord.

*People*       **Amen.**

*Bill*           Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God,  
let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's  
commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.

*People*       **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,  
word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our  
neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus  
Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Bill*            Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,  
                  that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind;  
                  through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you  
                  and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Hymn*        *When Morning Gilds the Skies* (Blue Hymn Book #2)

1  
When morning golds the skies,  
my heart, awaking, cries:  
    “May Jesus Christ be praised!”  
Alike at work and prayer  
to Jesus I repair:  
    “May Jesus Christ be praised!”

2  
Whene'er the sweet church bell  
peals over hill and dell  
    may Jesus Christ be praised!  
O hark to what it sings,  
as joyously it rings:  
    may Jesus Christ be praised!

3  
In heaven's eternal bliss  
the loveliest strain in this:  
    may Jesus Christ be praised!  
The powers of darkness fear  
when this sweet chant they hear:  
    may Jesus Christ be praised!

4  
To God the Word, on high,  
the hosts of angels cry:  
    “May Jesus Christ be praised!”  
Let mortals, too upraise  
their voice in hymns of praise:  
    “May Jesus Christ be praised!”

5  
Let earth's wide circle round  
in joyful notes resound:  
    “May Jesus Christ be praised!”  
Let air and sea and sky  
from depth to height reply:  
    “May Jesus Christ be praised!”

6  
Be this, while life is mine,  
my canticle divine:  
    may Jesus Christ be praised!  
Be this the eternal song  
through all the ages on:  
    may Jesus Christ be praised!

*Lynda*        The Lord is our light and our life.  
*People*        **O come, let us worship.**

**Venite** (Lynda)

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \* let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God \* and a great king above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \* and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his for he made it, \* and his hands have moulded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \* and kneel before the Lord our maker.  
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

## A Song from Ezekiel

(Ezekiel 36.24–28) (Maurice)

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from every country,  
and bring you home to your own land.

I will pour clean water upon you, purify you from all defilement,  
and cleanse you from all your idols.

A new heart I will give you, and put a new spirit within you;  
I will take from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

I will put my spirit within you, make you walk in my ways and observe my decrees.

You shall dwell in the land I gave to your forebears;  
you shall be my people and I will be your God.

*Maurice*      Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, one God.  
*People*      **Blessed be God forever.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Genesis      (Lynda)

(Genesis 32:22-31)

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

*Lynda*      The Word of the Lord  
*People*      **Thanks Be to God**

PSALM 17:1-7, 16

(Maurice)

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

**Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

Weigh my heart, summon me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

**I give no offence with my mouth as others do; I have heeded the words of your lips.**

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; in your paths my feet shall not stumble.

**I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

Show me your marvellous loving-kindness, O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.

**But at my vindication I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

*Maurice*      Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, one God.  
*People*      **Blessed be God forever.**

A Reading from Romans      (Lynda)

(Romans 9:1-5)

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

*Lynda*      The Word of the Lord  
*People*      **Thanks Be to God**

*Gradual Hymn - O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand (#555)*

1  
O God of Bethel, by whose hand  
    thy people still are fed,  
who through this earthly pilgrimage  
    thy multitudes hast led:

2  
Our vows, our prayers, we now present  
    before thy throne of grace.  
God of our forebears, by the God  
    of their succeeding race.

3  
Through each perplexing path of life  
    our wandering footsteps guide;  
give us each day our daily bread  
    and raiment fit provide.

4  
O spread thy covering wings around  
    till all our wanderings cease  
and in the city of our God  
    our souls arrive in peace.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

(Maurice)

*Maurice*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
*All*            **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Matthew 14:13-21 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

*Maurice*      The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*          **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon:**       The Rev. Tom Decker

*Bill*           Let us confess our faith as we say,

*All*            **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.**

## **Intercessions and Thanksgivings**

- Lynda* Let us join in prayer with God's faithful people throughout the world, saying "God of Love: hear our prayer."
- We pray for the unity of your church, that our life may reflect the love you have shown us. We remember especially Michael our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan, and Linda our Primate. In our diocese, we pray for the people of the Parish of St. George's, Trenton and the Rev. Lynn Mitchell.
- In the worldwide Anglican Communion pray for the new Province of Alexandria - created from the former Diocese of Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa in the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East.
- We pray also for Andy our priest, Sharon, Peter and Lisa our deacons, all of our honorary clergy, and for everyone who ministers in word and in action, asking that we may bear faithful witness to your good news  
God of love:  
**People Hear our prayer.**
- Lynda* We seek your peace and justice in our world, our country, and our community, that the needy may never be forgotten. We remember displaced people around the world, and the victims of violence, racism and hatred. We remember at this time the people mourning the violence and racism in our own country and the United States, giving thanks for the many who have risen up to protest and demand real change.  
God of love:  
**People Hear our prayer.**
- Lynda* We ask your blessing on our homes, our friends and family, and on those who live alone, that we may know your presence ever near us. We pray for front line workers and those struggling with isolation. We pray for students who are studying, looking for work and worrying about the future.  
God of love:  
**People Hear our prayer.**
- Lynda* We name before you all whom you have given us to pray for Rose, Tim, Wally, Martha, Irving, Jack, Skye, Janice, Brad, Georgia, Eileen, Don, John and Caroline, Rob and Alexandra, Jeff, Dan, Jennifer, Brian, Bruce and Lisa, Evelyn, Ross, Barbara, Mike, Aldwyth, Dustin, Payton, Ruthie, Sharon, Suzanne, Justina, Sophia and those who we name in our hearts or are known only to you ..... knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can ask or imagine.  
God of love:  
**People Hear our prayer.**
- Lynda* We commend to you all who have died that our trust in you may deepen as you keep them safe in your care.  
God of love:  
**People Hear our prayer.**

*Lynda* We offer our thanks and praise for all you have done for us, rejoicing in the knowledge that you are with us always. We look for your purposes to be accomplished, and ask you to fill us with the strength and vision to further your reign.  
God of love:  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*The officiant greets the people using these or similar words.*

*Bill* May the deep and abiding peace of Christ, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, this day and forevermore. The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*People* **Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up ourselves to your service,  
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

#### **The Collect of the Day**

*People* **Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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

People      **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.**

Maurice      Let us bless the Lord.  
People      **Thanks be to God**

Hymn      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* (Blue Hymn Book #486)

1  
Love divine, all loves excelling,  
    joy of heaven to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
    all thy faithful mercies crown.

2  
Jesus, thou art all compassion;  
    pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
    enter every trembling heart.

3  
Come, almighty to deliver;  
    let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
    nevermore thy temples leave.

4  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
    serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise thee without ceasing,  
    glory in thy perfect love.

5  
Finish, then, thy new creation;  
    pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
    perfectly restored in thee,

6  
changed from glory into glory,  
    till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
    lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Bill      May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through  
the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Postlude:      "Hornpipe" from the *Water Music* (George Frederick Handel)

**Our prayers are asked this week in the:**

Anglican Cycle: Pray for the new Province of Alexandria - created from the former Diocese of Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa in the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

Diocesan Cycle: Michael our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate and we pray for the people of the Parish of St. George's, Trenton and the Rev. Lynn Mitchell.

Special Prayers: Rose, Tim, Wally, Martha, Irving, Jack, Skye, Janice, Brad, Georgia, Eileen, Don, John and Caroline, Rob and Alexandra, Jeff, Dan, Jennifer, Brian, Bruce and Lisa, Evelyn, Ross, Barbara, Mike, Aldwyth, Dustin, Payton, Ruthie, Sharon, Suzanne, Gys, Justina, and Sophia.

The World and our Country: The humanitarian crisis in Syria; The COVID-19 pandemic, for wise and prudent leadership. We pray for those in our community working on the frontlines and all the essential workers providing for our needs.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

***St. James You Tube Channel***

St. James now has a permanent URL for our You Tube channel. It is:

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***Save the Date - Friday, October 2, 2020***



The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Banquet will be held at The Donald Gordon Centre on Friday, October 2, 2020 at 5:30 pm. Tickets can now be purchased by mail - send your cheque to the Church office for the number of tickets you require with the entrée choice (Chicken, Pork Tenderloin, Vegan or Vegetarian) clearly indicated for each ticket and your tickets will be mailed to you. Tickets will cost \$50.00 per adult, \$25.00 per child 6-12 yrs, child 5 yrs & under complimentary. Join us for a delicious meal and hear our guest speaker, Bishop Peter Mason.

**Today - August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Coffee Hour by Zoom at Noon

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6135487254?pwd=WUIET3VLNFlnVnBJSE85Q3FzVzdYQT09>

Meeting ID: 613 548 7254      Password: 1751845

**Wednesday August 5<sup>th</sup>**

Pandemic Prayer Meeting by Zoom at 10am.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/995773015?pwd=K2xMUzJyK0w4ODQvK1NFZ0NITy9vZz09>

Meeting ID: 995 773 015      Password: 1845

*Andy and Lisa on holidays until August 11<sup>th</sup>. The Rev. Canon Sharon Dunlop will be in charge and on call during that time. She can be reached at home at (613) 634-8761 or on her cell phone at (613) 328-9637 or by e-mail at [sharon@stjameskingston.ca](mailto:sharon@stjameskingston.ca)*