



Welcome to St. George's
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 24, 2025
10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

We are a Christian church within the Anglican tradition and we welcome people of all Christian traditions as well as people of other faiths and people of little or no faith. If you are a visitor or newcomer, please introduce yourself to one of our Wardens, Greeters, or Clergy. Welcome to our church family! If you need to have communion brought to you in the pew, please let the Greeter know before the service begins.

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The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

- **Worldwide Anglican Communion** – The Church of the Province of South East Asia
- **Anglican Church of Canada** – Shane, Primate; Chris, National Indigenous Archbishop; Anne, Archbishop
- **Diocese of Niagara** – Bishops Susan and Colin; the people of St. John's church, Port Dalhousie, St. Catharines
- **St. George's** – Amy Brown and Ryan Widjanarko, Carolyn Brown, and Robert Brown

Welcome and Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY *(stand)*

Hymn 560 *God, Whose Almighty Word*

Moscow

Greeting *(stand)*

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 and the love of God,
 and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
 be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

Collect for Purity

Presider Almighty God

All **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you
no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name:
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Collect for the Day

Presider Let us pray.

All **Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our
doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy
Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of
love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading *(sit)*

Reader A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn 440 *For All Your Blessings (verses 1-3)*

Islington

Gospel Reading *(remain standing)*

Reader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All



Reader Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Luke 12: 49-56

Reader The Gospel of Christ

All



Hymn 440 *For All Your Blessings (verse 4)*

Islington

Homily The Rev. Victor Kischak
(followed by silence for reflection)

*My eyes for beauty pine,
My soul for Goddes grace:
No other care nor hope is mine,
To heaven I turn my face.*

*One splendour thence is shed
From all the stars above:
'Tis named when God's name is said,
'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.*

*And every gentle heart,
That burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.*

- Robert Bridges

Apostles' Creed (*stand*)

Presider Let us confess the faith of our baptism, 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.

Prayers of the People (*stand, kneel or sit*)

Confession and Absolution

Presider Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

(silence is kept)

Presider Most merciful God,
All 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.

Presider Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Sharing of the Peace *(stand)*

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn 469 *Sing Praises Old and New*

Fondren

Prayer over the Gifts

All God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Parent of all.

In fulfilment of your will, he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Hymn 732

Presider Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way Jesus took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever.

All Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All 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 them that 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.

Breaking of Bread

Presider "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry:
Whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All Taste and see that the Lord is good;
Happy are they who trust in him!**

Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

All Thanks be to God.

(if you need gluten-free bread, please request it before extending your hands)

During Communion

Lamb of God

Hymn 745

Hymn 65 *Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread*

St. Columba

Prayer after Communion *(stand)*

Presider Let us pray.

**All Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love.
Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Presider Glory to God,

**All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than
we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to
generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and
ever. Amen.**

Blessing *(remain standing)*

Presider May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you, and those that you love,

All **and those that you should love,**

Presider now and forever.

All **Amen.**

Hymn 643 *Holy Spirit, Come with Power*

Hyfrydol

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Venite*

Norman Warren

Announcements

Save the Date

Sunday, September 7 – Blessing of the Backpacks and the Reopening of St. George's Sunday School

Sunday, September 28 – Rally Sunday. Join us to learn about our church groups, clubs, committees, and ministries and how you can become involved!

Saturday, November 29, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm – St. George's Christmas Market

SAVE THE DATE ! Book Club Meeting - Tuesday September 9 at 7 pm in the chapel

St George's Book Club has invited Marion Reidel, a local author and retired school teacher to discuss her recent book *Stories From The Mission*. This is a fundraising event for the Royal City Mission on Quebec Street through the sale of her book which costs \$25.00. Refreshments provided. St George's supports the mission through its community suppers outreach program. A sign up sheet has been posted.

Vacation Notice

The Rev. David Shumaker, Assistant Curate, will be away from August 21 to August 31. Please contact the Rector, the Rev. Victor Kischak, in case of pastoral emergencies.

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