



## *Welcome to St. George's*

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 10, 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** – Eglise Anglican du Rwanda
  - **Anglican Church of Canada** – Shane, Primate; Chris, National Indigenous Archbishop; Anne, Archbishop
  - **Diocese of Niagara** – Bishops Susan and Colin; the people of the St. Mark's Church, Orangeville
- St. George's** – The following members of our parish family: Bob and Jessie Bould, Marion Bould, and Rick Bould

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**Welcome and Announcements**

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY** (*stand*)

**Hymn 556**    *O for a Closer Walk with God*

Caithness

**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, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and  
light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your  
grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in  
love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is  
alive 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 Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn 610 *Before I Take the Body of My Lord (verses 1-3)*

Laying Down

### 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 Mark.

**All**



Reader John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you cause one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is

good, but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Mark 9:38-50

Reader     The Gospel of Christ  
**All**



**Hymn 610**     *Before I Take the Body of My Lord (verses 4,5)*

Laying Down

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

**Solo**     *Pie Jesu*

Gabriel Fauré

*Merciful Jesus  
Grant them rest (everlasting)*

*Soloist: Laura Fleming*

**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 613** *We Lay Our Broken World*

Garelochside

## Prayer over the Gifts

**All Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. 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 61** *As We Gather at Your Table*

Ecce, Deus

## **Prayer after Communion** *(stand)*

Presider Let us pray.

**All Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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 592** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life*

Fulda (Walton)

## **Dismissal**

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** *Laetatus Sum*

Norman Warren

## **Announcements**

### **Volunteer Spotlight**

Our thanks go to George and Elizabeth Adams for their continued commitment to our parish. Former Wardens both, George currently serves as one of our representatives on the Guelph Cemetery Commission and Elizabeth offered extensive design advice when the old "Green Room" was transformed into our Sunday School Classroom. And if you've noticed the planters outside our entrance, or the revitalized garden beds at the front of the church, George and Elizabeth have both contributed countless hours to making our building look great from the sidewalk. Thank you to George and Elizabeth for all you offer to our parish community!



### **Chi Rho Fellowship Next Meeting – August 14**

The next event promises to be a fun summer outing. A Garden Party Luncheon at the "Greenbriar Estate" at 92 Speedvale Ave. West. Bring a brown bag lunch with you at noon (12pm) on **Thursday August 14**. Refreshments will be provided. If inclement weather, we will move to All Saints Church Hall on Silvercreek Pkwy.

### **St. George's Crafter's Guild –Summers Meetings**

Knitting, crocheting, embroidery, card making, beading, etc. All skill levels welcome. First and third Sunday afternoons each month. **Next meeting August 17**. 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Library.

### **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 will be posted.

### **Office Closure**

Please note that Bruce Mackenzie, the Office Administrator, will be on vacation from Monday, August 11 to Tuesday, August 19, and the office will be closed during this time. Please feel free to contact the Rector, the Rev. Victor Kischak, or the Assistant Curate, the Rev. David Shumaker if you need assistance.

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