



## *Welcome to St. George's*

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 17, 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 Scottish Episcopal Church
- **Anglican Church of Canada** – Shane, Primate; Chris, National Indigenous Archbishop; Anne, Archbishop
- **Diocese of Niagara** – Bishops Susan and Colin; the people of the St. George's, St. Catharines
- **St. George's** – The following members of our parish family: Norman Brain, Barbara Breese, and Bob Britton

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**Welcome and Announcements**

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

**Hymn 593**    *O God of Every Nation*

Llangloffan

**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 have broken the tyranny of sin and sent  
into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to  
dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may  
know the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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 Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Isaiah 5:1-7

Reader     Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All            Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 546**     *God Moves in a Mysterious Way (verses 1-4)*

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## 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 Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

Luke 12: 49-56

Reader The Gospel of Christ

**All**



**Hymn 546** *God Moves in a Mysterious Way (verses 5,6)*

London New

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

**Solo** *Blumenlied* Gustave Lange

*Jan Figueiredo – Piano*  
*Amy Parker – Flute*

## 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 594** *Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendour*

Rhuddlan

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

**All Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the 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 60** *I Come with Joy*

Hymn 745

Land of Rest



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

Presider Let us pray.

**All** **Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name 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 524** *O Christ, the Great Foundation*

Aurelia

## **Dismissal**

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** *Sortie*

Richard Lloyd

## Announcements

### **St. George's Crafter's Guild –Meeting Today**

Knitting, crocheting, embroidery, card making, beading, etc. All skill levels welcome. First and third Sunday afternoons each month. **The next meeting is today, 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 has been 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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