



Welcome to St. George's

The Day of Pentecost

June 8, 2025

10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST



Pentecost Fire, by Rita Atieh, age 11

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 Anglican Church of Melanesia
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- **Diocese of Niagara** – Bishops Susan and Colin; the people of the St. John's church, Rockwood
- **St. George's** – The following members of our parish family: Dan Atkins, Suzanne Rintoul, James and Nora Atkins, and Jim and Eileen Atkins

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Prelude *Summer Sonata*

Eran Rozenszain

Eran Rozenszain – Piano

Krishna Gelda - Oboe

Welcome and Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY (*stand*)

Hymn 253 *O Glorious Day*

Yorkshire

Children's Focus The Rev. Victor Kischak

Greeting (*stand*)

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Presider May his grace and peace be with you.

All **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

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: though Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Collect for the Day

Presider Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; 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 Acts.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is

Acts 2:1-21

All

Psalm 104

Response (Congregation)



*Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are.
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. R*

*May the glory of the Lord last forever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. R*

*You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. R*

Psalm 104: 1, 24, 27-28, 30-31, 33-34

Hymn 637 *Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (verses 1-3)* Veni Creator Spiritus

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 John.

All



Reader Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [I have said these things to you

while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

John 14:8-17, 25-27

Reader
All

The Gospel of Christ



Hymn 637 *Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire (verse 4)*

Veni Creator Spiritus

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

Anthem *Taste and See*

Kenneth Louis

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
He's opened doors for me, doors that I just couldn't see.
Oh, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
I will bless the Lord at all times.
His praise shall always be on my lips.
My soul shall glory in the Lord, for he's been good to me.
Oh, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
When I was down to my last dime, that's when he stepped right in on time.
When I was sick and couldn't get well, he healed my body and now I can tell.
When there's no food on the table, set your plate - yes! God is able
Oh, taste and see the goodness of the Lord. - Based on Psalm 34*

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 249 *Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow*

Aberystwyth

Prayer over the Gifts

All Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name 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 Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth. You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood. Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name.

(Choir) Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Presider We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Presider and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that

city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

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 Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All Now we are raised to new life.

Presider We were buried in your tomb.

All Now we share in your resurrection.

Presider Live in us, that we may live in you.

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 *(choir)*

Hymn 635 *Like a Murmur of the Dove's Song*

Bridegroom

Prayer after Communion *(stand)*

Presider Let us pray.

All **Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this 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 645 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

Down Ampney

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *Jazz Postlude on There is a Balm in Gilead*

Johannes Michel

Announcements

Chi Rho Fellowship Meeting

CHI RHO FELLOWSHIP will meet next on **Thursday June 12**, with an outing for lunch. Please meet at Swiss Chalet on Woodlawn at 1 pm. Everyone is welcome. See you there!

Diocesan 150th Anniversary Picnic

On **June 14**, bring your picnic blankets, favourite snacks, sides, sunscreen, hats, and smiles to Canterbury Hills Camp (509 Lions Club Rd, Dundas) for a day filled with fun activities, games, and fellowship as we celebrate 150 years of rich diocesan ministry! In addition to the snacks you're welcome to bring, barbecued hot dogs, with vegetarian and gluten-free alternatives, will be served. Please note all hotdogs served will be gluten-free, and gluten-free buns will be available, however, they cannot guarantee 100% protection from cross-contamination.

St. George's would love to see parishioners of all ages there! Please register for the event by scanning the QR code, or by going to www.niagaraanglican.ca/events/anniversary-picnic.



They are also actively looking for volunteer to lead game stations and help with BBQing. If you'd like to volunteer—or have any questions—please contact Sarah Bird by emailing sarah.bird@niagaraanglican.ca or by phoning 905-527-1316 x 430.



Next Book Club Meeting: Tuesday, June 17, 7:00 pm in the church library and via Zoom. We will be discussing THE BOOK OF FIRE by CHRISTY LEFTERI. This is the story of a family in Greece, as they become victims of a devastating wildfire, losing their home and idyllic village; their road from loss to healing, recovery, and search for meaning in the wake of tragedy. This is a story so very relevant to events unfolding in our country today. Four copies of the book are available in the Guelph Public Library

Next Craft Guild Meeting Cancelled

Please note that the Craft Guild will **NOT** be meeting on **June 15** due to it being Father's Day, however they will meet on June 29 as a bonus Sunday for the month of June.

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