



Welcome to St. George's

The Reign of Christ

November 22, 2020

11:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Mark 11:9, 10

Visitors and Newcomers – 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. Please introduce yourself to one of our Wardens, Greeters, or Clergy. If you are joining us online, please feel free to contact us by email or telephone. Welcome to our church family!

Greeters	Heather Proctor, John Proctor
Singers	Sarah Schmidt-McQuillan, Megan Smith, Laura McDonald
Organist	Matthias Schmidt
Reader	Marlena Tureski
Warden	Laura McDonald
Sextons	Toni Atieh, Bryce Sukhdeo

We wish to acknowledge that we meet on land that, at the time of contact, was held by the Attawandaron as an area of trade and ceremony by the 2 rivers. At various times the land was occupied by both Haudenosaunee from the south and Anishnaabe from the north. In more recent times the Huron Treaty gave rights to the Mississaugas of New Credit. May we who dwell on or visit this land also be good stewards and honour those who came before us.

Readings for Next Week

Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37



The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

- **Worldwide Anglican Communion** – The Church of Bermuda
 - **Anglican Church of Canada** – Linda, Primate; Mark, National Indigenous Archbishop; Anne, Metropolitan
 - **Diocese of Niagara** – Bishop Susan and the people of St. George's Church, St. Catharines
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St. George's Parishioner Prayer Cycle *

Shirley Carter; Trevor Chamberlain; Donald & Cheryl Cheevers, Bradley and Harlow; Tyrone & Tracey Chisholm, Alexandra and Philip; Milan & Anne Marie Chovanec; Catherine Clark; Sandra Clark, Daniel and Maya; Donald Clarke, Kody, Matthew and Bradley; Ted & Alison Clarke; Terry Clugston; Martin & Estelle Clunies, Gregory and Ian

(* during the course of the year, we pray for all parish households)

Prelude *Prelude and 2 Fugues* J.K.F. Fisher

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (verses 1 & 3)* Hymn to Joy

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Greeting

Presider O God, open our lips,

All **and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

Presider The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.
(silence is kept)

All **As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Collect for the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

All **Shepherd of Israel, your power was revealed when you raised Christ from the dead and seated him in honour at your side. Grant that we may always give you thanks for your immeasurable love and show that gratitude in loving service to all our brothers and sisters; through Jesus Christ in whose name we pray. Amen.**

First Reading

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. *Ephesians 1:15–23*

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 504 *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* Chereponi

Gospel Reading

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life." *Matthew 25:31-46*

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily The Rev. Canon Ralph Blackman
(followed by silence for reflection)

Anthem *When I Needed a Neighbour* Voices United 600

When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there? When I needed a neighbour, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there?

I was hungry and thirsty, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there?

I was cold, I was naked, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?

When I needed a healer, were you there?

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?

Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there,

wherever you travel I'll be there.

And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, I'll be there.

Prayers of the People

The Peace

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

All **Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

People **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Presider Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and saying:

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

Presider Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile, you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home. At the right time, you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Presider Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

All **Restore us, O God, let your face shine!**

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of Bread

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Invitation to Spiritual Communion

Presider Dear friends who are joining us online, I invite you wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.

(We invite you to make an act of spiritual communion by reciting the following prayer at home during the distribution of communion.)

Come, Lord Jesus, and make in my heart your dwelling place and home. I seek to love you with all my heart, mind, soul and strength, and so, through your presence in bread and wine, I receive you afresh and praise you for you are my God. As you fill me, so may my love for you and for all your people, rise and overflow, that with joy and thanksgiving, I may serve you in the world you love. Amen.

Communion

Anthem *Trio from Elijah – Lift Thine Eyes*

Prayer after Communion

Presider Let us pray.

All **Holy God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

Hymn 619 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Crusaders' Hymn

Sending Forth

Presider May the Bringer of Light bless you, may the bright Son of Mary bless you, and may the Light of Christ dwell in you. In all you do, and in all that you may become, may the Way of Christ be the path you tread and the kingdom of heaven be your home. And the blessing of our God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and for ever.

All Amen.

Postlude *Two Allemands*

J.H. Shein

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News & Events – November 22, 2020

Women's Fellowship Group Supports Women In Crisis!

Our **Women's Fellowship Group** has held a November tradition of collecting useful items for Guelph-Wellington Women In Crisis. In this difficult time of COVID the need is even greater. Once again, we would like to support this worthwhile cause. This year, **we are collecting gift cards to local stores** (such as pharmacies and grocery stores). We will also **collect cheques made out to "Guelph-Wellington Women In Crisis"**. Donations over \$20.00 will receive a donation receipt. Gift cards and cheques can be **dropped off at the church**, or given directly to **Shirley Stuart at the Village by the Arboretum (519-265-2626)** or **Hazel Smith (519-836-8423)**. Please drop off donations by the end of November.

Family Advent Wreath Worship Celebration

On **November 28** at **2:00pm**, join with other parish families to make an advent wreath from real greenery, and take home resources to begin your own advent wreath tradition! Wreath kits will also be available for assembly at home. Register on our website (www.saintgeorge.ca) or call **(519-822-1366)**. The cost is \$5 per family.

Children's Ministry December Kids Pack

Children are always welcome at St. George's Church, but we understand that many parents are choosing to keep their kids away for safety reasons. But we have also heard from parents who are concerned that their children are missing out. We have a solution! Order a **Kids' Pack** for your children or grandchildren, filled with **fun activities aligned with our Sunday online worship services (suitable for children aged 2-10)**. Packs will be delivered to your home prior to the start of each month! Then tune in on Facebook Live at 11:00am on Sunday (or later that day on YouTube) and have your kids/grandkids follow along! Order on our website or by calling the office.

PWRDF Advent Project

Once again, St. George's is going to embark on a **PWRDF Advent Project**. You'll recall that in years past we have raised funds to purchase farms and dig wells. This year, we are going to continue with the project we began in the summer, supporting the **Emergency Food Relief Program with the Canadian Food Grains Bank**, the **All Mothers and Children Program** and the **Kilwa Emergency Response**. If you would prefer, you can also check out the "World of Gifts" catalogue on the PWRDF website (or in the latest Anglican Journal), and select a gift from there. If you would like to participate, please **make your donation through St. George's Church** so that we can track how we do as a parish. Ensure you let us know to direct the funds to PWRDF! *You can donate online on our website to "PWRDF Advent 2020", by e-transfer to bookkeeper@saintgeorge.ca or by cheque!*

Nativity Sets Wanted for Stations of the Creche!

This year, we plan to do something a little different at St. George's called "**Stations of the Creche**". We will be displaying dozens and dozens of nativity sets that are kindly being loaned to us. If you have a nativity set that you would be willing to loan to the church from December 16 until January 6, please let the office know (519-822-1366 or office@saintgeorge.ca) and we will make arrangements.

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