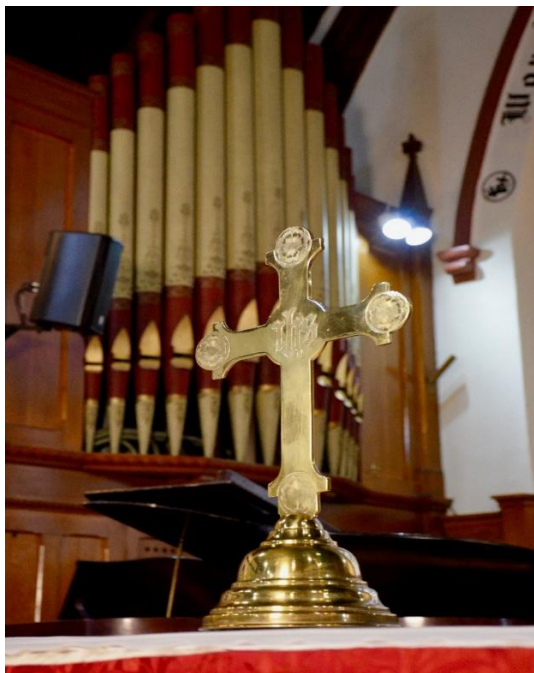




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Morning Prayer – Tenth after Pentecost

Sunday, August 2, 2026 10:30am

Officiant/ Lay Reader: Francis Richardson
Homilist: John Howard
Organist: Ashton Dunk

Server: Sarah Howard
Cantor: Lynn McTaggart
Reader: Norma McCauley
Greeter: Gene Latour



Our Land Acknowledgement

We at Christ Church are gathered together on the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation and commit ourselves to the hard work of reconciliation.



Our Mission Statement

Christ Church is committed to live in a generous and loving spirit in all its relationships.

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Welcome and Announcements

Post-Covid, we have curtailed the “passing of the plate” at Christ Church. There are offering envelopes in the pews and on the table at the back of the church. We thank you for your donation to the ministry and upkeep of the parish which can be placed on the offering plate as you enter the church.

Prelude A Gothic Prelude – Gordon Young

SENTENCE Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. *- John 6:68*
Please stand, as you are able.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #2 When Morning Gilds the Skies Vs 1,2, 4, 6
(blue hymn book)

PENETENTIAL RITE

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship Almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All **Most merciful God, 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.**

Officiant Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

OPENING RESPONSES

Officiant Lord, open our lips,
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**
All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

THE INVITATORY (Said)

THE VENITE (Come) - From Psalm 95: 1-7

Read responsively by the half verse, with the officiant reader the plain text and the congregation responding with the bold text.

The Lord is in his holy temple: ***O come let us worship.**

Come, let us sing to the Lord; ***let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.**

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving ***and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God, ***and a great king above all gods.**

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, ***and the heights of the hills are his also.**

The sea is his for he made it, ***and his hands have moulded the dry land.**

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, ***and kneel before the Lord our maker.**

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. ***Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
***As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Lord is in his holy temple: ***O come let us worship.**

Please sit.

THE PSALM

The Eucharistic psalm is sung responsively, led by the cantor.



FIRST READING

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah

Following the reading.

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Isaiah 55:1-5

RESPONSORY #3

Officiant The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous; to the
brokenhearted the Lord is near.

**People The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous; to the
brokenhearted the Lord is near.**

Officiant I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall ever be in
my mouth.

People To the brokenhearted the Lord is near.

Officiant Look upon him and be radiant, and let your faces not be
ashamed.

People To the brokenhearted the Lord is near.

Officiant The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them and delivers
 them from all their troubles.
People To the brokenhearted the Lord is near.
 Officiant The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, and none will be
 punished who trust in him.
People To the brokenhearted the Lord is near.
 Officiant Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
**People The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous; to the
 brokenhearted the Lord is near.**

SECOND READING

Reader: A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

Following the reading.

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Matthew 14:13-21

Please stand, as you are able.

METRICAL CANTICLE – THE BENEDICTUS (Blessed)

From Luke 1:68-79

*The metrical canticle is sung to the tune of “O God, Our Help in Ages
 Past” (Tune: St. Anne – CP #528). Text edited by The Rev. Brendon Bedford*

1. Blest be the God of Is-ra-el, Who came to set us free;
 He vi-si-ted and raised us up, A branch from Da-vid’s tree.
2. Through ho-ly pro-phets long ago, God’s pro-mise was made plain:
 To save us from our en-e-mies, And free us from their chain.
3. God vowed to show our fa-thers grace, And keep his cov’nant true;
 With A-bra-ham God sealed his oath – The Lord will see it through.
4. That we, from fear and ha-tred saved, May serve God all our days,
 In ho-li-ness and right-eous-ness, To live before God’s face.

5. And you, my child, shall be the one, To go before the Lord,
To speak God's mer-cy to the poor, And make his path-ways broad.
6. You'll teach sal-va-tion's ho-ly way – For-give-ness for our sin;
The light of grace shall shine on those, In death's cold sha-dowed
din.
7. The sun on high shall rise on us, With mer-cy from a-bove,
To guide our feet in peace and truth, And lead us in God's love.

Please be seated.

THE HOMILY

John Howard

Lay Reader

Please stand, as you are able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant Let us affirm the faith of our baptism in the words of the
Apostles' Creed, as we say:

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven
and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.**

OFFERTORY HYMN #486 Love's Divine, All Loves Excelling
blue hymn book

THE OFFERTORY – *From 1 Chronicles 29*

Officiant Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours. For all things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

Please assume your preferred posture for prayer.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Francis Richardson
Lay Reader

COLLECT OF THE DAY (Said)

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please stand, as you are able.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Said)

Officiant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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 those who 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.**

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and
the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.**

People Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN #330 O Praise Ye the Lord

blue hymn book

POSTLUDE Festive Intrada – Paul Fey

Psalm from George Black Psalter;

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This Week’s Prayer List

(We invite you to hold all on our list in your prayers for the coming week.)

The Diocese: We hold in our prayers the people and clergy of: St. Mary’s (Walkerville), Windsor St. Matthew’s, Windsor Trivitt Memorial, Exeter St. George’s, Goderich • Christ Church, Port Albert.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Ted & Elizabeth Appleyard, Doug & Muriel Armitage, Greg & Mary Anne Ayrheart and their families as well as all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

The Wider Church: We hold in our prayers the clergy and people of the Diocese of Jerusalem; the clergy and people of Bath Abbey and St. Giles, Cripplegate, UK as well as Bishop Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bev & family, Carole, Charlie, Dave, Marg, Deanie, Fraser, Gord, Katharine, Ted, Tim and their families, and any others who are in need of our prayers.



Our Prayer List. Please let the priest or wardens know if there is anyone who continues to need our prayers and whose name will continue on the prayer list into the next month.

Memorial Flowers on the Altar

Flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God and with grateful thanks for the life and ministry of past members of the Chancel Guild.

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please contact Muriel Armitage, with advance notice if possible, at 519-538-2852.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

After the service, please join us for lemonade, iced tea and fellowship – under the canopy outdoors (in the parish hall, if poor weather).

The Wednesday BCP (Said) Eucharist at 12noon (July 29th) is paused for this week; however, the Bible Study will continue with the Book of Genesis at 1:00pm.

Backpack Campaign – won't you help us to fill a backpack? If you're able, you may purchase a backpack with supplies, just a backpack or just supplies – your contribution is greatly needed and appreciated by the students of Georgian Bay Community School (secondary students). See list of supplies sheet at back of church. **Our service when we bless the backpacks will be September 6th.**

August 9th, after the service, Farewell Party for Fr. Brendon, Ashley, Lillian and Roy. Details below.

If you wish to thank Fr. Brendon for his ministry, please consider giving a donation to the Bishop Appleyard Legacy Trust fund -- forms on the counter in the office – see one of the wardens or Chris. (Details in the eblast).

Art in the Pews – Our church is reserved on Thursday, August 13th for a special art show, put on by the Meaford Art Group, Seasaw for the public. Several artists will be present displaying their works of art from 3pm to 7pm here at Christ Church. Come out for the lovely exhibit.

80th Anniversary Service: Saturday, August 15, 2026 See posters at the back of the church – please take one if you wish.

Keeping our Sunday School Going - With the absence of Ashley's leadership with Sunday School, we have found a way to continue to welcome and offer a program for children who attend Christ Church on Sundays. For September 1, there will be ready to use plans and materials available on the Sunday School shelves for use on short notice.

As we require two adults to deliver the program, we are seeking people that are interested in helping with this important ministry. Please speak to Chris at the office or Janet Carvalho if you require more information or are interested.

For Pastoral Care, during Fr. Brendon's vacation, from July 27 – August 3rd inclusive, contact the Rev. Canon Dr. Grayhame Bowcott at grayhamebowcott@diohuron.org or 519-374-4066. For all other questions, concerns or ministries, please contact office@christchurchanglican.ca or 519-538-1330.

Farewell to Fr. Brendon!

Join us, as we bid farewell to Fr. Brendon, Ashley, Lillian,
and Roy; with a Potluck Pool Party

When: Sunday, August 9

– immediately following the Sunday service

Where: Victoria & Bill's house
246013 22nd Sideroad

Take Hwy 26 towards Owen Sound

Turn right (north) on to 7th Line

(at the Kubota dealership)

Turn right (east) on to 22nd Sideroad

First driveway on the left

- if you miss it, you can turn around at the bottom of the road!
- fairly long driveway ... keep going!
- plenty of parking available for everyone

Bring: Plate & Cutlery
 Folding Chair
 Food to Share
 Bathing Suit & Towel

- Coffee, Iced Tea, & Lemonade will be provided

**Rain event – to be held in Memorial Hall