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**Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Holy Eucharist  
Harvest Thanksgiving, 10:30am**

Celebrant: The Venerable Canon Judy Walton, Lay Reader: Postulant Gilles Haché,  
Reader: Linda Emptage, Organist: Charlie Strimas, Vocalist: Victoria Alcock.



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# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

*Psalm 126:62*

## Opening Hymn: **Come, Ye Thankful People, Come** (vs1 1,2&4) CP# 262

Come, ye thankful people come,  
Raise the song of harvest home!  
All is safely gathered in, ere the  
winter storms begin;  
God, our maker, doth provide  
For our wants to be supplied:  
Come to God's own temple, come,  
Raise the song of harvest home!

All the world is God's own field,  
Fruit unto his praise to yield;  
Wheat and weeds together sown,  
unto joy or sorrow grown;

First the blade, and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.

Even so, Lord, quickly come  
to thy final harvest home!  
Gather thou thy people in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there forever purified,  
in thy presence to abide:  
Come, with all thine angels come,  
Raise the glorious harvest home.

*Celebrant:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

***People:* And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God,

***People:* 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.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Creator of the fruitful earth, you  
made us stewards of all things.  
Give us grateful hearts for all your  
goodness, and steadfast wills to use  
your bounty well, that the whole

human family, today and in  
generations to come, may with us  
give thanks for the riches of your  
creation. We ask this in the name of  
Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading**

#### **A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOEL 2:21-27**

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the

years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Reading**

#### **A READING FROM FIRST TIMOTHY 2:1-7**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual Hymn: Let All Things Now Living** (Vs 1)

CP#403

(traditional Welsh tune, The Ashgrove)

Let all things now living  
A song of thanksgiving  
to God the creator  
triumphantly raise,  
who fashioned and made us,  
protected and stayed us,  
who still guides us onto  
the end of our days.

Love's banners are o'er us;  
God's light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire  
shining forth in the night,  
till shadows have vanished  
and darkness is banished,  
as forward we travel  
from light into Light.

### **The Holy Gospel**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

### **Matthew 6:25-33**

Jesus said, "I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?

And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even

Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'

For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

The Gospel of Christ

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

God's law still enforces  
the stars in their courses  
and causes the sun  
in its splendour to shine;  
the hills and the mountains,  
the rivers and fountains,  
the deeps of the ocean  
in praises combine.

We too should be voicing  
our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration  
a song let us raise  
till all things now living  
unite in thanksgiving;  
"To God in the highest,  
Hosanna and praise!"

**Homily:**

The Venerable Canon Judy Walton

**Prayers of the People**

Postulant Gilles Haché

**Confession and Absolution**

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.

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.***

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. ***Amen.***

**The Peace**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: *And also with you.***

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Prayer over the Gifts**

Source of all life, the heaven and  
earth are yours, yet you have given  
us dominion over all things. Receive

the symbols of our labour and love  
which we offer you this day, in the  
name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer #2

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: *And also with you.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: *We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Celebrant: 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 Father of all.

In fulfillment 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.***

Celebrant: 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 he 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.

**People Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught

**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.**

## **The Breaking of Bread #3**

Celebrant: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose

**People: So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

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 for ever.

us, let us pray,

**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.**

many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

## The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Prayer after Communion

God of our hope,  
in this eucharist we find the source  
of all your blessings. Nourished in  
these holy mysteries may we, with

our lives, give you continual thanks  
and praise. This we ask in the name  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Doxology

Celebrant: 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

**Closing Hymn: For the Beauty of the Earth** (vs 1,2,4&5) CP #429

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies,  
Christ our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild,  
Christ our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale and tree and flower,  
sun and moon and stars of light,  
Christ our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine  
to our race so freely given,  
graces human and divine,  
flowers of earth and buds of heaven,  
Christ our God, to thee we raise  
this our sacrifice of praise.

**Dismissal** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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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: All Saint's, Sarnia-Corunna, St. John the Baptist, Walpole, Trinity Church, Watford.

**The Parish:** We hold in our prayers: Mary Johnston, Shari Kartechner, Shirley Keaveney and all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

**Intercessions:** For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bob, Charlie, Erin, Heather, Howie, Jason, John, Kyle, Leslie, Mike, Paul, Ruth, Sandra, Simon, Steve, Tyler, Vicki, Wayne, Wayne P., Wilma and any others who are in need of our prayers.

### *Flowers In Memoriam*

*Flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God and with grateful thanks for the life and ministry of Clifford and Edith Erskine, a gift of their daughter, Margaret and family.*

### **Announcements**

1. Today, please join us for refreshments following the service outside on the lawn (weather permitting). Please remember to socially distance.
2. **World Food Day is Oct. 16** and the Bighead River Foodgrains Project is once again placing a Toonie Tree in our church to collect funds for Canadian Foodgrains Bank in their mission to end global hunger. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic has severely exacerbated the hunger situation in the world with the United Nations estimating that 118 million more people are now experiencing hunger putting world numbers at 768 million people. While we are blessed in Canada to have vaccines, social safety nets and a steady supply of food, the same is not true for millions of people in developing countries. **Please help us in this effort with your donation of loonies and toonies in our Toonie Tree.**
3. **This past week John Watchurst was appointed as a Deputy Warden.** This gives us Truda Howard and Donna Thompson as Wardens and Norma Jarvis and John Watchurst as Deputies.
4. **Parish Council** meeting is Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.

### **Next Sunday: October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021: Holy Eucharist 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, 10:30am**

(In-house)

Celebrant: The Ven. Judy Walton, Homilist: Postulant Gilles Haché,  
Lay reader: Francis Richardson, Reader: Norma McCauley, Organist: Charlie Strimas.

Readings: Job 38:1-7, (34-41)  
Hebrews 5:1-10  
Mark 10:35-45

Please note our interim priest is the Venerable Canon Judy Walton who is covering pastoral as well as celebrant for the Eucharist on Sundays and some administrative/other duties. We are blessed to have her.

This photo from Christ Church's plot at the Community Garden was sent in by Gail and Gene Latour. The potatoes were provided to the Food Bank.

*Thanks for sharing!*



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