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Christ Church Anglican, Meaford

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"We are gathered together on the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation."

**Sunday, October 24th, 2021, Holy Eucharist
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost, 10:30am**

Celebrant: The Venerable Canon Judy Walton, Lay reader: Postulant Gilles Haché,
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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has abolished death, and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

2 Timothy 1:10

Opening Hymn: God, Whose Almighty Word (vs1,2 & 3) CP# 560

God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight:
hear us we humbly pray,
and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light!

sight to the inly blind:
now for all human-kind
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,
lifegiving, holy Dove,
speed on your flight!
Move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light!

Saviour, who came to bring
on your redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,

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

Lord God our redeemer,
who heard the cry of your people
and sent your servant Moses
to lead them out of slavery,
free us from the tyranny of sin and
death, and by the leading of your
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Spirit bring us to our promised land;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

A READING FROM JEREMIAH 31:7-9

For thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel."

See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and

the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS: 7:23-28

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated

from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (Vs 1 &2) CP#306

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace.

Jesus! The name that charms our
fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears
'tis life, and health, and peace.

The Holy Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

MARK 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here."

And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn: O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (Vs 5) CP#306

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,

to spread through all the earth
abroad
the honours of thy name.

Homily:

The Venerable 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

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

God of constant love,
you have guided your people
in all times and ages.
May we who offer you our praise

today always be ready to follow
where you lead;
we ask this in the name of Jesus
Christ our Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer #5

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, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for

our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

People: *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

Celebrant: You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

**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: We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People: *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

Celebrant: On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

People: *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

Celebrant: Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us

and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

People: *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

Celebrant: Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People: *Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: 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 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 Breaking of Bread #3

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

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

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

The Communion

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

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Prayer after Communion

God our guide,
you have fed us with bread from
heaven as you fed the people of
Israel.

May we who have been inwardly
nourished be ready to follow you all
our days; ask this 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: Amazing Grace (vs 1,4 & 5) CP #352

Amazing grace! How sweet the
sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.

`tis grace has brought me safe thus
far, and grace will lead me home.

Through many dangers, toils, and
snares,
I have already come.

When we've been there ten
thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's
praise
than when we'd first begun.

**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: Church of the Ascension, London; Church of the Epiphany, London; Church of the Transfiguration, London.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Joanne & Dennis Knight, Blake & Stephanie Lambe, David & Susan Lambe and all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bob, Christian, Erin, Heather, Howie, Janet, Jason, John, Kyle, Leslie, Mike, Paul, Ruth, Sandra, Simon, Steve, Tyler, Vicki, Wayne, 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 past members of the Chancel Guild.

Announcements

1. We enjoyed the Thanksgiving decorations which were beautiful. Now it's time they went home with you to enjoy. Please pick up yours and take them home. The church is now open Tues, Wed or Thursday mornings from 9:00am to 12:00noon – the new hours!

2. Next Sunday, October 31st, join us for a celebration on the Eve of All Saints' Day. We also pay homage through a special memorial to those who have passed during the Covid-19 pandemic.

3. Although World Food Day was Oct. 16, we continue to collect loonies and toonies for the Bighead River Foodgrains Project. This is a mission to end global hunger and we would like to continue as long as possible and the tree is at the back of the church. 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. For more, go to <https://bigheadriverfoodgrainsproject.weebly.com>. **Please help us in this effort with your donation of loonies and toonies in our Toonie Tree at the back of the church.**

4. **Fitness Classes** continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays with Barb Horne, Kinesiologist. Classes are free to all and start at 9:30am in Memorial Hall (downstairs). Come, get fit, laugh & have fun!
Correction from last week: - Please use the Main entry door not the side door.

**Next Sunday: October 31st, 2021: Holy Eucharist, 10:30am
Eve of All Saints' Day & Special Memorial Service**

(In-house)

Celebrant: The Ven. Judy Walton, Lay reader: Postulant Gilles Haché
Reader: Bill Alcock, Organist: Charlie Strimas.

Readings: Deuteronomy 6:1-9
Hebrews 9:11-14
Mark 12:28-34

Please note our interim priest is the Venerable Canon Judy Walton. She is providing pastoral care as well as officiating at various worship services and other ministries. Her leadership is so very much appreciated.



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