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Holy Eucharist - The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7th, 2022 – 10:30am
Book of Alternative Services (BAS)

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The Rev. Gilles Haché, Priest Asst'nt
Lay Reader: John Howard
Organist: Charles Strimas

Reader: Francis Richardson



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

Please stand as you are able

OPENING SENTENCE

Presider: Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.
Matthew 24:42, 44

INTROIT HYMN Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters #35

(blue hymn book)

Gathering of the Community

Presider: 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.

THE 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; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GLORIA (GLORY)

702 *(blue hymn book)*

Presider: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

Please remain standing, as you are able.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: Let us pray.

The congregation takes a moment of silence to offer their personal prayers.

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New

moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

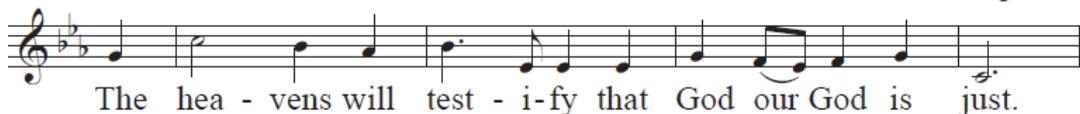
Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain seated

PSALM 50:1-8, 23-24

George Black



The psalm refrain is sung once by the cantor and is then repeated by the congregation.

The God of gods, the Holy One, has spoken;
and has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God is revealed in glory. R.

Our God will come and will not keep silence,
will come with a devouring flame and a mighty tempest round about.
God calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of the people. R.

"Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
Let the heavens declare the rightness of God's cause;
who is the judge of all. R.

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.
I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your offerings are always before me. R.

Consider this well, you who forget God,
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honours me;
but to those who keep in my way, will I show the salvation of God." R.

THE SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Reader: A Reading From The Letter To The Hebrews

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith

without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia / Amen

Led by presider once and then repeated twice by congregation.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
a - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

Please turn to face the Gospel reader.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-40

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Minister: The Gospel of Christ.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia / Amen

as on previous page, is led by presider and sung twice by congregation.

Please be seated.

THE HOMILY

Gilles Haché, Priest Assistant

Christ Church Anglican

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

Minister: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Stand, kneel or assume a comfortable position..

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

John Howard

Please stand, as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Minister: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Minister: 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..

THE PEACE

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

People: And also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace.

Please stand, as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be (vs1,3&6)
#275 (*blue hymn book*)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider: Let us pray.
Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer #2

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: 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 the fulfilment 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.

THE SANCTUS (HOLY)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord - #735 (blue hymn book)

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, 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: 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. 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.

All: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: 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 BREAKING OF BREAD (Fraction Rite) Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

THE COMMUNION

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion at God's altar.

If you are not baptized, you are very welcome to come forward to the communion rail for a blessing, indicating so by crossing your arms over your chest.

Gluten free hosts (wafers) are available at the altar rail upon request.

In the Anglican tradition, we believe Christ to be equally present in both the bread and the wine. Therefore, if you are not comfortable drinking from the common cup at this time, it is perfectly acceptable to receive only the bread.

HYMN DURING COMMUNION My Faith Looks Up to Thee (vs 1-3) #551
(blue hymn book)

Please stand, as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider: Let us pray.
Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: **Amen.**

THE DOXOLOGY

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.**

THE FINAL BLESSING

Recessional Hymn How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord #466
(blue hymn book)

THE DISMISSAL

Assist'g Priest: This service is over, but your service has just begun; therefore go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

THE POSTLUDE

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Flowers In Memoriam Today

We give thanks today for the life and ministry of past members of the Chancel Guild.

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: Anglican Parish of Rondeau Bay; Trinity Blenheim; St. Paul's Erieau; Christ Church, Chatham.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Marion Turner, Helen Vickers, Archdeacon Judy Walton and their families as well as all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bob, Heather, Katharine, Leslie, Meigen, Sherry, Stan, the Christian family and any others who are in need of our prayers.

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Announcements

(see weekly eblast for more details)

1. **Repair Café – is next Sat., Aug. 13th. 9-12noon. Bring your small items which need to be fixed.** See poster following page.

2. **National Acadian Day et Fête de la Vierge Marie.** We are delighted to invite you for an Acadian Dinner on **August 15th at 4pm** prepared by The Rev. Gilles Haché in [Christ Church Anglican](#) 34 Boucher St E Meaford. The menu will include some typical Acadian dishes: chicken fricot, lobster roll, PEI mussels, Fish Fry, salad and homemade traditional blueberry cake with caramel sauce. At 6:00 p.m., a bilingual service of Evening Prayer will follow the dinner. Freewill donations are invited. Please feel free to contact Fr. Gilles for more details at gilleshache@diohuron.org or 519.505.6965 or 519.538.1330.

3. **Upcoming Service – Blessing of the Backpacks** – September 4, 2022 at the Meaford Harbour Rotary Pavilion. This is a Backpack Drive as well. Please take a poster and list of things to fill backpacks for high school students with you. We appreciate your support!

4. **Our Prayer List.** On Sundays and throughout the week, we hold up before God members of the parish and beyond, that are in need of our intercessions and prayer. Please let Fr. Brendon or Fr. Gilles know or contact the church office if there is anyone who continues to need our prayer and whose name will continue on the prayer list into the next month.

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Next Week: August 14th, 2022, The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Readings: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:1-2, 8-18; Heb 11:29—12:2; Luke 12:49–56.



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