

# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANGLICAN CHURCH

Diocese of Ottawa



## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10.15 am

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### PRELUDE

*Andante tranquillo (Percy Whitlock)*

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 345

*King of Glory, King of Peace*

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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

**And also with you.**

Dear friends, we gather this morning on the traditional territory of the Algonquin Nation, and we recognize the continuing presence of First Nations, Métis and Inuit in this region.

**May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

Almighty God,

**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

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

God of the dirtied hands, the wandering feet: you seek out the lost before they ever turn to you. Take us with you into the abandoned places to find a new community outside our fortress walls; through Jesus Christ, the Searching One. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

*Jeremiah 4:11–12, 22–28*

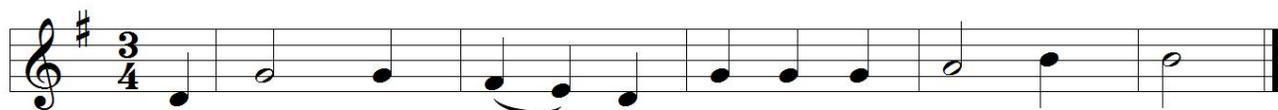
At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them. "For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good." I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord:

The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 14



The Lord looks down— from hea-ven up - on us all.

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;  
there is none who does any good.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,  
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.

Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;  
there is none who does good; no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers  
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?

See how they tremble with fear,  
because God is in the company of the righteous.  
Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,  
but the Lord is their refuge.

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out Zion!  
When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,  
Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

## THE SECOND READING

*1 Timothy 1:12–17*

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL HYMN 508

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

## THE GOSPEL

*Luke 15:1–10*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

## HOMILY

## ANTHEM

*With A Voice of Singing (Martin Shaw)*

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## OFFERTORY HYMN 615

*Just As I Am*

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

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

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly\_\_ Lord, God of\_\_ pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are



full of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "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, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

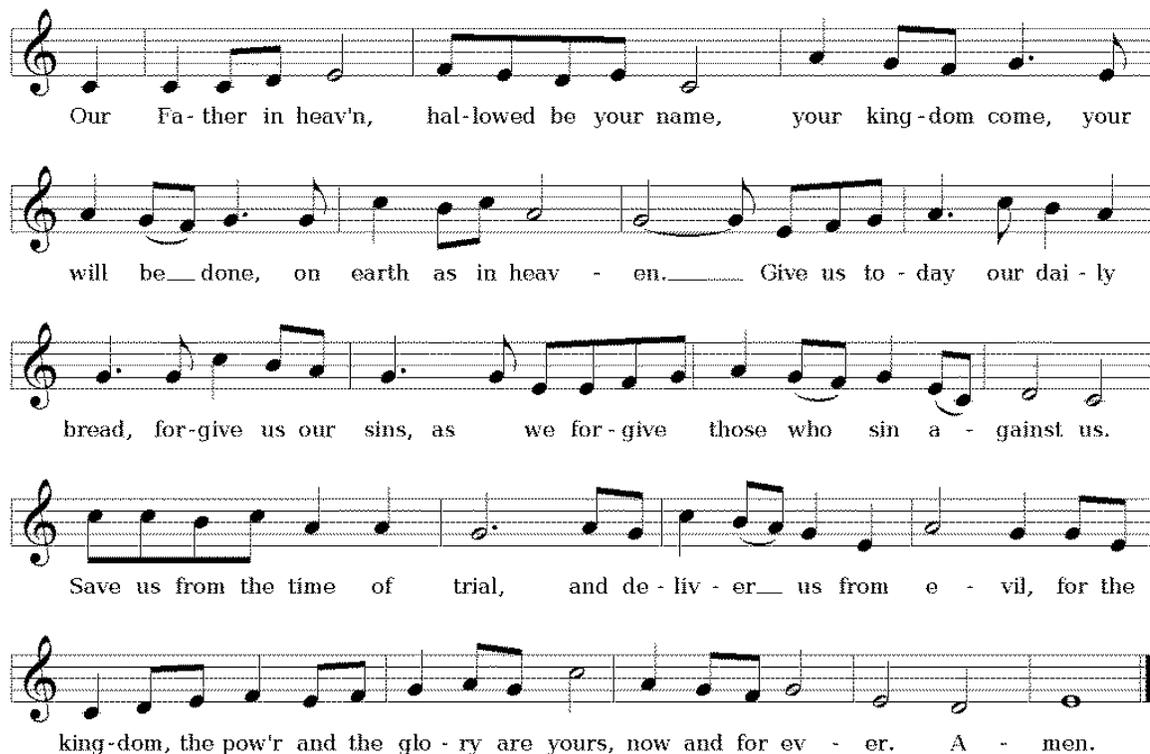
And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, ✠ our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.



Our Fa-ther in heav'n, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come, your  
will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly  
bread, for-give us our sins, as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e-vil, for the  
king-dom, the pow'r and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A-men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Silence is kept.*

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

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

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE COMMUNION

*Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies' Sake (Richard Farrant)*

*Please request a gluten-free wafer if required or a blessing if desired.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours.

May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God,

**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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God, ✠ Creator, Son, and Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN 486

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Festal Voluntary (Gordon Jacob)*

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<i>Organist</i>	Dr Gordon Johnston

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