

JESUS FED MORE THAN 5000 PEOPLE

Matthew 14:14-22



Season of Pentecost Eucharist

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*All Saints' is committed to
Radical Inclusion
Extravagant Equity and
Compassion that leads to Justice*

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Welcome Home

to the
Anglican Church



Welcome to the sacred space of All Saints' Peterborough—we are glad you are here. We are an Anglican church rooted in the pattern of life of Jesus the Christ, grounded in radical inclusion, extravagant equity, and compassion that leads to justice. Please fill out a Welcome Card so we can stay in touch and pick up a Welcome Package.

Land Acknowledgement

All Saints' Peterborough stands on the sacred land of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the first peoples of this land. We honour their ancestors and this land, part of the Rice Lake Purchase (Treaty 20).

We are committed to ongoing reconciliation through learning and by including readings from the First Nations Version of the Bible in our worship.

Liturgical Notes

Israel

In Christian liturgy, "Israel" refers to the historic Hebrew people (Israelites) of the ancient Near East or, theologically, to all who place their faith and trust in God—it does not refer to the modern political state.

Elder and Younger Testaments

We use the terms "Elder Testament" and "Younger Testament" rather than "Old" and "New" as an expression of racial equity, theological care, and our ongoing commitment to confronting antisemitism. These terms acknowledge that the Younger Testament emerges from and remains deeply connected to the Elder Testament, rather than replacing or superseding it.

Inclusive Language

Grounded in our commitment to radical inclusion and extravagant equity, we seek to use expansive language for God. At times, traditional terms such as "Father" and pronouns like "He" are used within the Church's long tradition, held in balance with language that reflects the fullness and mystery of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN 445 GOD THE CREATOR

BUNESSAN

God the Creator, you in love made me
Who once was nothing but now have grown.
I bring the best of all my life offers
For you I share whatever I own.

O Christ the Saviour, you in love called me
Who once was no one lost and alone.
I pledge to go wherever you summon,
Making your will and purpose my own.

O God the Spirit, you in love move me
Who once was nowhere and felt unknown.
I know my need of you for companion:
All things can change when not on my own.

And with the people summoned together
To be the church in which faith is sown,
O make my promise to live for Jesus
And let the world know all are his own.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE LAND

Presider All creation sings to the glory of its Creator.

All Thanks be to God for the gift of all peoples, creatures and this planet that sustains us. For our First Nations, Metis, and Inuit siblings and their care of this land we are standing and worshipping on. All things come from God, and we give thanks to God for them. Amen.

OPENING PRAYERS

Presider The grace of our Saviour Jesus the Christ, and the love of God, and the companionship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also, with you.

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 Saviour, Redeemer, and Pattern of Life. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader God of compassion,
All Whose heart goes out to the hungry and destitute; who takes our lack and transforms it into much: give us the bread that satisfies, the food without price, that our lives may be freed to share your overflowing love; through Jesus the Christ, the breaker of bread. Amen.

Leader Gracious God we are grateful for the communion of saints, for those we love and no longer see, for those who are present in our lives and who need your grace and healing, we lift up to you Gracious God those in our community who have asked for prayer. For . . . – teach us to be their support, to be the hands, and hearts of your healing grace.

All Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reading Genesis 32:22-31

NRSV

A reading from the Elder Testament and the book of beginnings, Genesis.

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.

Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So, he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So, Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon Jacob as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit
All Thanks be to God

Psalm 7:1-7, 16

NRSV

Psalm 17 is a powerful prayer of lament and protection attributed to King David, where an innocent speaker cries out for divine vindication and safety from ruthless enemies. It contains 15 verses and is best known for the deeply comforting metaphors of asking God to protect the speaker like "the apple of your eye" and to hide them "in the shadow of your wings." I invite you to read the selected verses responsively with me.

Hear a just cause, O God; attend to my cry;
give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.
If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.

As for what others do, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.
My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me, hear my words.
Wondrously show your steadfast love, O saviour of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand.

As an ongoing act of reconciliation, the Epistle is read from the First Nations Bible.

Reading Romans 9:1-5

First Nations Bible

A reading from the Younger Testament and the wisdom of the Indigenous ancestors who kept this land, from the ancient text of Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.
"From my heart I speak truth in the Chosen One. I am not speaking with a forked tongue. My spirit is in harmony with the Holy Spirit when I tell you of the great sorrow that burns like a never-ending fire in my heart. If it would help my Tribal Family members to find the truth that would set them free and make them whole, I would be willing to be cursed, cut off from the Chosen One!"

"They are members of the tribes of Wrestles with Creator (*Israel*) and my flesh-and-blood relatives. They were chosen by the Great Spirit and taken into his family. They were given honor, sacred treaties and promises, laws to live by, and a sacred lodge in which to perform ceremonies.

They are related to our honored ancestors Father of Many Nations (*Abraham*), He Made Us Laugh (*Isaac*), and Heel Grabber (*Jacob*), who are the human ancestors of Creator Sets Free (*Jesus*)—the Chosen One. He is the Great Spirit who is above all, overall, and blessed to the time beyond the end of all days. Aho! May it be so!

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All Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALL Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen One.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's name.

Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen One.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's name.

GOSPEL Matthew 14:13-21

Inclusive Bible

Gospeller May God be with you.

All And also with you

Gospeller The Gospel of Jesus the Christ, according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, Jesus the Christ.

"When Jesus heard about the beheading, he left Nazareth by boat and went to a deserted place to be alone. The crowds heard of this and followed him from their towns on foot. When Jesus disembarked and saw the vast throng, his heart was moved with pity, and he healed their sick.

As evening drew on, the disciples approached Jesus and said, "This is a deserted place, and it is already late. Dismiss the crowds so they can go to the villages and buy some food for themselves." Jesus said to them: "There is no need for them to disperse. Give them something to eat yourselves."

"We have nothing here," they replied, "but five loaves and a couple of fish."

"Bring them here," Jesus said. Then he ordered the crowds to sit on the grass.

Taking the five loaves and two fish, Jesus looked up to heaven, blessed the food, broke it, and gave it to the disciples, who in turn gave it to the people. All those present ate their fill. The fragments remaining, when gathered up, filled twelve baskets. About five thousand families were fed.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ
All Praise to you, Jesus the Christ

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen One.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to God's name.

SERMON Rev. Samantha Caravan

Silence is kept for reflection.

APOSTLES CREED

Presider Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Gracious God,
All hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider And with the disciples we ask, "But, Jesus when have we seen you hungry and given you food, or thirsty and given you something to drink? And when was it that we saw a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?"

People We confess that we fail to see Jesus in the people around us, in those we love and those we do not love. Gracious God, lest we think our words alone are sufficient, today as we confess - we fall silent before you.

Silence is held for personal confession.

Presider May God, who is our constant companion surround us with love and grace. God has accepted our confession, we are forgiven, and the

blessing of God, Creator, Word, and Life-Giving Spirit be with us now and for evermore. **Amen.**

Commissioning of a Lay Pastoral Assistant

The candidate stands before the congregation.

Presider Beloved in Christ, through baptism we are all called to share in Christ's ministry of love and reconciliation. Some are called to particular ministries that build up the Body of Christ and strengthen the life of the Church. Today we recognize God's call in **Ben**, who has been invited to serve as a Lay Pastoral Assistant in this parish.

Ben, do you believe that God has called you to this ministry?

Ben I believe God has called me, and with God's help I will serve faithfully.

Presider Will you seek to follow Christ in your life, to pray faithfully, to respect the dignity of every person, to maintain appropriate confidence, and to serve with compassion, humility, and hope?

Ben I will, with God's help.

Presider To you, the gathered congregation, will you support Ben in this ministry, pray for him, encourage him, and work together with him in the service of Christ?

People **We will, with God's help.**

Prayer of Commissioning

Presider Faithful God, you have called your Church to proclaim the gospel of your kingdom, to care for those who suffer, to strengthen the weak, and to bear one another's burdens.

Send your Holy Spirit upon your servant **Ben**, whom we now commission as a Lay Pastoral Assistant.

Grant them grace to walk alongside your people with an attentive heart; to listen with curiosity; to honour the image of Christ in every person; and to be a faithful companion in times of joy, sorrow, uncertainty, and hope. Give them wisdom to discern your presence, courage to walk alongside those who are lonely, grieving, anxious, or in need, and humility to know that all healing comes from you.

Sustain them with your love, renew them through prayer and the fellowship of your Church, and keep them steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and generous in love.

May their ministry reveal the compassion of Christ, so that all who meet them may know they are seen, valued, and loved by you.
We ask this through Jesus the Christ, our Redeemer and Pattern of Life, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People Amen.

Presider Ben, receive this ministry entrusted to you. May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you to serve God's people in the name of Christ.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider May the peace of Jesus the Christ be with you all.

All And also with you.

COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Offertory Plates are at the front of the church.

You are also invited to make an offering to the ongoing ministry of All Saints' Peterborough by either dropping off a cheque in the mailbox at the church or by clicking to donate button on our website.

HYMN

DEAR WEAVER OF OUR LIVES DESIGN

REPTON

Dear weaver of our lives' design whose patterns all obey,
With skillful fingers gently guide the sturdy threads that will survive
The tangle of our days, the tangle of our days.

Take up the fabric of our lives with hands that gently hold;
Bind in the ragged edge that care would sunder and that pain would tear,
And mend our rav'ling souls, and mend our rav'ling souls.

Let eyes that in the plainest cloth a hidden beauty see;
Discern in us our richest hues, show us the patterns we may use
To set our spirits free, to set our spirits free.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider Covenant God,

All as a sign of devotion to you and your vision for the world, we bring these gifts. May they bring light to those who have lost their way, hope to the despairing, and freedom for those held in bondage. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider May God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to our Saviour God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, we give you thanks and praise through Jesus the Christ our Saviour and Redeemer. In fulfilment of your promise, you pour your Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth. You give us power to proclaim by our service and love your gospel to all nations and to serve you as the body of Christ. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all those created in your image, to proclaim the glory of your name.

ALL **Holy, holy, holy One, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blest is the One who comes in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider We remember that on the night before Jesus was killed by those who feared him, he sat at table with his disciples, friends, family, and children, sharing in the feast of the Passover, which is the celebration of the liberation of God's people.

And remembering God's power, Jesus took bread, and after he had given thanks and blessed it, he broke it saying, "This is my work and my life, for you and with you. Take it all of you and do this remembering me.

After dinner Jesus took the Elijah Cup, the cup that was traditionally reserved for the Holy One to come. But instead of waiting, Jesus passed it to them as it is now being passed on to us, and he said, "This is the cup of the new covenant. It is the cup of justice and peace poured out for all. Drink of it all of you and do this remembering me.

Each time that we break bread together we participate in the Body of the Risen Christ, for we are the Body of the Risen Christ. And each time we

share this cup we participate in the New Community for we are God's hope of the New Community. Let us consecrate these elements as we together we proclaim!

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

Presider Send your Holy Spirit, we pray, into these gifts of bread and wine. Send your Holy Spirit into us, that we may recognize each other as members of the same body, Christ's hands and feet and heart, sent for the healing of the world. All this we ask in your name. **Amen**

Presider Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. **Amen.**

STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY

Presider We break this bread to share in the life and witness of Jesus the Christ.

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

Presider The gift of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI HYMN 747

Jesus, lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sin, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer, redeemer of the world,

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

COMMUNION

We welcome you to receive Communion at All Saints'.

Please follow the instruction of the sides people.

For those present in spirit,

the following prayer may be said to make a spiritual communion.

I worship and adore you, Saviour and Redeemer, Jesus the Christ, present in bread and wine, and present in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, present in bread and wine, be present in my heart and feed and renew my soul. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Almighty God,

All once again, you have given us what we need: sacrament, one another, hope for a better day. With renewed energy we offer ourselves to be sent out in your name; hopeful, grateful, useful, leaders of liberation, proclaimers of your love. Amen.

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.

BLESSING

HYMN 529 GOD, MY HOPE ON YOU IS FOUNDED

MICHAEL

God, my hope on you is founded; you my faith and trust renew:
Through all change and chance, you guide me, only good and only true.
God unknown, you alone call my heart to be your own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown, betray our trust;
Though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust.
But your power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

Daily does the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow;
God's desire for us delights us, pleasure leads us where we go.
Here at hand, love takes stand, joy awaits God's sure command.

God's great goodness lasts forever, deepest wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light, and life attending, beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore from God's store newborn worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising for the gift of Christ the Son.
Christ, you call one and all; those who follow shall not fall.

Leader Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
serve the world God loves. Thanks be to God.