



LISTEN to your HEART

Season of Pentecost

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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 into the sacred space of All Saints' Peterborough, we are so glad you are here. All Saints' is an Anglican Church that is rooted in the pattern of life of Jesus the Christ, our ministry and worship is based on Christ's, Radical Inclusion, Extravagant Equity, and Compassion that Leads to Justice. We invite you to fill out one of our Welcome cards so that we can keep in touch, and please pick up one of our Welcome packages.

Land Acknowledgement

All Saints' Peterborough resides on the sacred land of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the first peoples of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be buried in this land. This sacred land is part of the Rice Lake Purchase, Treaty 20. All Saints' is committed to continued reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings, through continued education and the inclusion of readings from the First Nations Bible.

Liturgical Notes

1. In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews (also called Israelites) of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in God as the ancient peoples of God.
2. Younger and Elder Testament. The traditional terms for the testaments 'Old' and 'New' have been changed to Elder and Younger. This has been done as an act of equity and promise. Old and New are words in our society that add value to things – often anything that is old is considered less valuable than things that are new. In our Christian context the New Testament has replaced the Old Testament, which is not only an incorrect theology, but it has also tied to it ethnic value, and antisemitic tones. The words Elder and Younger are born out of equity, and the Younger Testament is born out of the Elder Testament.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN 450 YOU CALL US CHRIST TO BE

You call us, Christ, to be a people set apart,
to feel with thoughtful mind and think with tender heart.
Thus chosen, now, O Christ, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Christ, to care for self and neighbour too,
to take the risk, and dare to show what love can do.
Thus chosen, now, O Christ, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Christ, to be good stewards of the earth;
to tend to it as a place of blessedness and worth.
Thus chosen, now, O Christ, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Christ, to serve: to die that we may live,
to know we best receive when joyfully we give.
Thus chosen, now, O Christ, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

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

Deacon God of Love,
All Who asks no sacrifice of animal or outcast: turn our hearts and minds to love all creatures and you, the source of life, that we might find our strength in the kingdoms' open feast; through Jesus the Christ, the high priest of heaven. Amen.

Deacon 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 JEREMIAH 1:4-10

NRSV

A reading from the Elder Testament and the writings of the Prophet Jeremiah.

Now the word of God came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, Sovereign God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But God said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says God.'

Then God put out God's hand and touched my mouth; and said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

Reader
All

Listen for the leading of the Spirit
Thanks be to God

PSALM 71:1-6

NRSV

Psalm 71 is a prayer for life-long protection and help, and a confidence that God is the rescuer. I invite you to read the selected verse with me.

In you, O God, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;
incline your ear to me and save me.

Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.

Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

For you, O God, are my hope,
my trust, from my youth.

Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

Reading

HEBREWS 12:18-29

NRSV

A reading from the Younger Testament and the book of Hebrews.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with

fear.'). But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit
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 Mark 12:28-34
 Deacon May God be with you.
All And also with you
 Deacon The Gospel of Jesus the Christ, according to Mark.
All Glory to you, Jesus the Christ.

One of the religious scholars who had listened to them debated and observe how well Jesus had answered them, now came up with and put a question to him: "Which is the foremost of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "This is the foremost: "Hear, O Israel, God, our God, is one. You must love the Most High God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'You must love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

The scholar said to Jesus, "Well spoken, Teacher! What you have said is true: the Most High is one and there is no other. To love God with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself—this is far more important than any burnt offering or sacrifice."

Jesus, seeing how wisely this scholar had spoken, said, "You are not far from the Kingdom of God." And after that no one dared to question Jesus anymore.

Deacon The Gospel of Christ

All Praise to you, Jesus the Christ

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

SERMON Rev. Samantha Caravan

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

United Church of Canada

Presider We are not alone,

All we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Gracious God,

All Hear our prayer!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.
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 the 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 sin, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus the Christ our Saviour and Redeemer.

All 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 507 BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Jesus' love;
The fellowship of Christian minds is like to that above.

Before God's gracious throne we pour our ardent prayers:
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, each other's burdens bear;
And often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When for a while we part, this thought will soothe our pain;
That we shall still be joined in heart and one day meet again.

One glorious hope revives our courage by the way,
While each in expectation lives and longs to see the day.

When from all toil and pain and sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

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.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to our Saviour God.

People It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Presider 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 saying;

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

Presider 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 sacrifice of the new covenant which is given 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.

People Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

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

Presider

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.

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 487 WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess;
And let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;
Be his the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son;
As members of his body joined, we are in him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed if honored be God's name;
Our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.

Deacon Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
 serve the world God loves.

All Thanks be to God.