

LIVING WATER

Immersion in Living Water
Ezekiel 47:9, 12



Season of Creation

Eucharist

September 20, 2026

*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.

HYMN 408 WIND UPON THE WATERS

WIND UPON THE WATERS

Wind upon the waters, voice upon the deep;
Rouse your sons and daughters, wake us from our sleep.
Breathing life into all flesh, breathing love into all hearts,
Living wind upon the waters of my soul.

Showers from the heaven, water from the earth;
Gift so wholly given, source of every birth.
Joy of every living thing, making all creation sing,
Shower down upon the dry earth of my soul.

Rock and hill and garden, wood and desert sand;
Prairie, field and meadow, shaped by Love's own hand.
Love that fills the world around, springing up from barren ground,
Grow your love within the garden of my soul.

Blazing light of wonder, flame that pierces night;
Burst the dark asunder, fill our souls with light.
Lord of glory, fill the skies, make an end to hatred's cries,
Be the blazing Sun of justice in our lives.

Wind upon the waters, rains upon the sand,
Grace your sons and daughters, newborn by your hand.
Come, O Spirit and renew all the life that comes from you,
Send your winds upon the waters of my soul.

WELCOME

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 Almighty and ever living God,

All we thank you for your love in all creation, and especially for your gift of water to sustain and cleanse all life. Christ is the living water, cleansing, refreshing, and making all things new. So now we offer our thanks for the waters that bring beauty to all that we enjoy, the wild places, the bush, the mountains, coast and the sea. We give thanks and praise for all good lands, for the trees and pastures, for our plentiful crops, and for the living water that quenches them. 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 Ezekiel 47:9-12

NRSV

A reading from the Elder Testament and the writings of the Prophet Ezekiel. Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes. People will stand fishing beside the sea from En-gedi to En-eg-laim; it will be a place for the spreading of nets; its fish will be of a great many kinds,

like the fish of the Great Sea. But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt.

On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

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

Psalm 65:1-13

Gen Synod 2016 Trial Psalter

Psalm 65 is a song of thanksgiving attributed to King David that celebrates God's immense power, sovereign control over history, and generous provision through nature. It transitions beautifully from portraying God as a mighty warrior who tames chaotic oceans and nations into a gentle gardener who softens the earth with rain to bring forth a joyful, overflowing harvest. I invite you to read the selected verse responsively with me.

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation,
O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

You make fast the mountains by your power;
they are girded about with might.

You still the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves, and the clamour of the peoples.

Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble
at your marvellous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous;
**the river of God is full of water. You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth.**

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

**You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.**

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.

**May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak
themselves with grain; let them shout for joy and sing.**

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

Reading Revelation 7:16-17 *First Nations Bible*

A reading from the Younger Testament and the wisdom of the Indigenous ancestors who kept this land, from the ancient book of Revelation.

"Never again will they hunger or thirst or suffer under the heat of the desert sun.

"The Lamb at the center of the seat of honour will watch over them like a shepherd watch over his sheep. He will guide them to springs of life-giving water, and there the Great Spirit will perform the wiping of tears ceremony for each of them."

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 John 7:37-39

Inclusive Bible

Gospeller May God be with you.

All And also with you

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

All Glory to you, Jesus the Christ.

"On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood up and shouted,

"Any who are thirsty, let them come to me and drink!

Those who believe in me, as the scripture says, 'From their innermost being will flow rivers of living water.'"

Here Jesus was referring to the Spirit, which those who came to believe were to receive—though she had not yet been given, since Jesus had not been glorified."

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 FOR CREATION

Leader We give you thanks, O God,

All for in the beginning, you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave your people water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life. You bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. You satisfy all who thirst and give us the life only you can give. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Creator God,
All knit us into one community.

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.

Silence is held for personal silent confession

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 42 CRASHING WATERS AT CREATION

ALT TUNE STUTTGART

Crashing waters at creation, ordered by the Spirit's breath,
First to witness day's beginning from the brightness of night's death.

Parting water stood and trembled as the captives passed on through,
Washing off the chains of bondage—channel to a life made new.

Cleansing water once at Jordan closed around the one foretold,
Opened to reveal the glory, ever new and ever old.

Living water, never ending, quench the thirst and flood the soul.
Well-spring, source of life eternal, drench our dryness, make us whole.

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 We give you thanks and praise, God our Creator. Your infinite love
created a universe of wonder. At the dawn of time your Word summoned
light and bade it blaze forth in the darkness..
From your breath sprang the dance of the stars in the night sky.
You laid the foundations of the earth, spread out the seas,
and stretched out the heavens like a tent above our heads.
You brought forth life in marvelous variety: mosses, grasses and trees
insects and animals that move with grace and beauty,
birds that ride the winds, and the shimmering creatures of the waters.
All creation bears witness to you: your glory shines forth in the night sky;
your wisdom is seen in the cunning miracle of a living cell; your care is
found in the generous bounty of the earth; your joy flashes forth in a hawk
on the wing; your beauty meets us in the birth of each new day.

All things praise you in their own way,
and we join in that chorus as we sing:

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 For such praise you created us, youngest of all your creatures:
alongside all of creation you formed us of the earth, along with all life we
are quickened by your breath, but of all creation you made us to bear your
image in loving care for all creation.

You call us to lift the voices of all creatures to praise you through
language, music, and art. But we have failed you, failed your creation,
and failed our own nature. We have forgotten our connection with the
earth and all life. We imagine ourselves masters of our own destiny.
We have betrayed our duty to care for creation and exploit it ruthlessly in
our shortsighted greed.

To recall us to our true nature, you sent your Son Jesus.

In him divinity entered into creation, sharing our human flesh,
showing us our true calling as servants and priests of creation.

When Jesus was led by our selfishness, fear, and lust for power
to cruel suffering and death, he did not abandon us.

Gathering his disciples on the night before his death,

Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and shared it, saying:

“This is my body, given for you. Take and eat” – that I may dwell in you,
that you may become my body, bringing nourishment and life to all.

After supper he took the cup of wine,

blessed it and shared it with them, saying: “This is my blood, shed for you.
Drink this” – that you might have a part in my death, dying to selfishness,
violence, and sin, and raised to the redeemed life of the kingdom.

Remembering his sharing of our flesh, his embrace of life and acceptance
of death, his glorious resurrection as the first born of your new Creation,
we offer ourselves, our lives and labour and aspirations to you, O God.

May we be transformed into the Body of Christ, that we might fulfil our
purpose of caring for Creation, and giving praise to you our Creator.

Pour out on us anew your Holy Spirit, the breath of life, who nourishes and
sustains all things living, who sighs for redemption in all Creation and in
the depths of our hearts. Sanctify to us this meal of the Kingdom.

Renew our hearts, renew our lives, renew the face of the earth.
Gather all nations and all creatures together into your peaceable kingdom, where together, in infinite diversity, we may sing with joy your praise, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, now and evermore. **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 409 BEFORE THE EARTH HAD YET BEGUN

CRRRAIGLEITH

Before the earth had yet begun her journey round the burning sun,
Before a seed of life had stirred, there sounded God's creating Word.

In that bright dawning of the world, ere ocean surged or wind unfurled,
The vaults of heaven with praises rang; the morning stars together sang.

Thus, when creation's Lord did take the clay of earth our form to make,
God willed that to our race belong the gifts of music, word, and song.

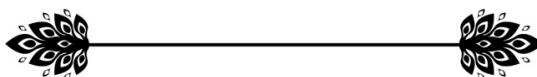
For us who would this God attend, no earthly mind can comprehend
Eternal glory; praise alone is our companion by that throne.

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

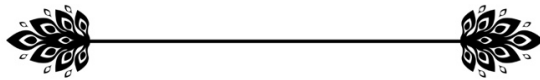
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POSTLUDE FUGUE IN C MAJOR

J. S. BACH



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Sunday, Sep 20 ~ Season of Creation, Living Water:
Immersion in the Living Water
8am ~ Spoken Eucharistic
10am ~ Sung Eucharistic with Choir and Family

Friday, Sep 25 ~ Gather • Belong • Grow • Serve
Children and Youth Family Dinner

Saturday, Sep 26 ~ Music in the Hall with Hunter James
Tickets available at the office or on the website.

Sunday, Sep 27 ~ Season of Creation, Community Forest
8am ~ Spoken Eucharistic
10am ~ Sung Eucharistic with Choir and Family

Wednesday, Sep 30 ~ National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
Deanery Eucharist Service – 7pm
Special Guest Preacher – Ardian Jacobs
Six Nations, Senior Leader for Indigenous Justice and Reconciliation.

Save the Date

Sunday, Oct 4 – Feast of St. Francis – Blessing of the Animals
Bring family pet at 10am for a blessing.

Saturday, Nov 7 – Fall Fundraising Dinner



PRESENTS

Hunter James

Americana - Outlaw Country - Rock-Infused Country
Award-Winning Emergent Artist!

Sat., Sep. 26, 2026

7 pm in the Parish Hall

TICKETS \$25

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SEASON OF CREATION

Sunday Services – 10 am
September 13 – October 11, 2026



All Saints' Peterborough

The Season of Creation is a global ecumenical celebration observed each year.

More than 2.2 billion Christians around the world join in prayer, learning, and action to care for God's creation. Throughout our observance, All Saints' will explore five creation-centred themes that invite us to deepen our faith and our commitment to caring for our common home.

September 13th
Feast of the Creator



September 27th
Communion Forest
Including planting of raspberry bushes at All Saints'



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September 20th
Living Water:
Immersion in the Living Water

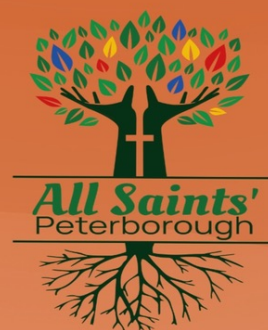


October 4th
Feast of St. Francis
Blessing of the Animals



October 11th
Harvest Thanksgiving

All Saints' Peterborough is thrilled to
host a Peterborough Deanery Service



National Day for *Truth* and *Reconciliation*

Wednesday, September 30th
7 pm

235 Rubidge St.

Featuring:

**Special Guest Preacher,
Adrian Jacobs**

Six Nations, Senior Leader
or Indigenous Justice
and Reconciliation



**This special service will
feature musical a joint
Peterborough-area Choir**