

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for our Primate, the Most Rev Linda Nicholls; for our Provincial Metropolitan and Diocesan Archbishop, the Most Rev Anne Germond; for the Deanery of Sudbury-Manitoulin, and our retiring Archdeacon, the Ven Glen Miller, with thanks to God for Glen's example of faithful ministry and leadership—may the coming years for Glen and Mary Beth be many and full of blessings; and for our parish of the Church of the Ascension and our parish clergy, Rev Jeff and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, for ACW Sunday, we pray: *Almighty God, we pray for your blessing and grace on our work and witness as Anglican Church Women in Canada. We give you thanks and praise for giving us wisdom, knowledge and understanding so that we may serve you in spirit and truth. Called to be your church, may our study, learning, worship and service be always to your glory and the building of your kingdom in our communities and throughout the world. In our ministry may we always respond to the needs of others with your love. We pray in the name of the One who redeemed and loves us, your Son, Jesus our Saviour. Amen.*

We pray for reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples: Merciful God, you call us to loving relationship with one another. Be with us now as we seek to heal old wounds and find joy again in this relationship. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts of flesh. Give us the gifts of honesty and openness, and fill us with your healing power and grace.

We pray for the following people for God's healing and strength during the coming week, especially – Tamara, Nancy, Marshall, Kay, Dave Fowler, Annette, Barbara, Claudette, Gerry, Mary Rose, Sarah, Jaqueline, Colin, Catherine, George, David, Dan & Marc, Gary, Lucette, Estelle, Richard, Maggie, Carol, Marjorie Morton, Rob Caines, Del, Vince, Helen, Chris, Connie Lee, David Caines, Trischa, Ed, Lori, John P, Ivan, Audrey and her friends, companions, and neighbours at L'Arche, Sue, James, Darryl Keen, Heather, Gwen & Wayne, and Aberdeen. **We pray for** those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes: Milt Fleming, Karin Hoffman, Laurent Constantineau, Bessie Morgan, Sybil Crawford, Marlene Moulton, Betty Bonas, and Del Gates; may they always feel God's presence in their lives.

We pray for all who know anxiety, distress, grief, or neglect, that they may know the consolation of God's love, and that all who struggle or are heavy laden might uphold one another in comfort and prayer.

In our parish, we pray for our wardens, board members, and lay leaders; we pray for parents, grandparents, and godparents, for spouses and siblings, for children and dependents, for all families and friends; and especially we pray for those with whom we are hurt, angry, or at cross-purposes; that by Christ's example, and through His grace, all hearts may be turned to your purpose, O Lord.



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"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" (2 Cor 5.17) Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2022

Sunday morning service live-streamed on Facebook @ascensionsudbury at 10.00 am.
In-person worship Sunday mornings at 10.00 am.

Welcome to our worship! Please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are welcome to participate in the sacrament at the time of Communion.

3d Sunday after Pentecost

(in the Octave of St John the Baptist)

Holy Eucharist

Sunday morning 10.00 am

Liturgy, BAS, pp. 185–215

(readings are per *Revised Common Lectionary*, NRSVA translation)

Gathering	BAS, pp. 185-7
Collect of the Day	BAS, p. 365
First Reading	2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14
Psalm 77 vv. 1-2, 11-20	BAS, pp. 804-5
Second Reading	Galatians 5. 1, 13-25
Holy Gospel	St Luke 9. 51-62
Sermon	
Confession of Faith	BAS, pp. 188-9
Prayers, Confession, Absolution, Peace	BAS, pp. 190-2
Prayer over Gifts	BAS, p. 365
Eucharistic Prayer #1	BAS, pp. 193-195
The Lord's Prayer	BAS, p. 211
Breaking of the Bread	BAS, p. 212
Prayer after Communion	BAS, p. 366
Doxology, Dismissal	BAS, pp. 214-15

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Collect for the 3d Sunday after Pentecost: Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love fulfils the law. May we love you with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength, and may we love our neighbour as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading (2 Kings 2. 1-2, 6-14)

A Reading from the Second Book of the Kings

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Psalm 77 vv. 1-2, 11-20 (BAS, pp. 804-5) **Refrain:** I will remember the works of the Lord.

Second Reading (Gal 5. 1, 13-25)

A Reading from the Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Galatians

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For

what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Gospel (Lk 9. 51-62)

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Prayer over the Gifts: God of wisdom, receive all we offer you this day. Enrich our lives with the gifts of your Spirit, that we may follow the way of our Lord Jesus Christ, and serve one another in freedom. We ask this in his name.

Prayer after Communion: God of power, we are nourished by the riches of your grace. Raise us to new life in your Son Jesus Christ and fit us for his eternal kingdom, that all the world may call him Lord. We ask this in his name.