

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of the West Indies. **In the Anglican Communion**, we pray for the bishops and primates as they conclude the conference at Lambeth Palace: *“O God, by your grace and Spirit you have raised up witnesses and servants in many lands and cultures: Pour out your blessing upon the churches and provinces of the Anglican Communion, and upon their leaders as they gather for fellowship in the Lambeth Conference, that their diversity may enrich their common witness and service to the honor and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.”* (Brotherhood of St Gregory, TEC)

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 Archdeacon, the Ven Glen Miller, and for our parish of the Church of the Ascension and our parish clergy, Rev Jeff and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for Retreat Houses: Maison Dieu, Bracebridge; Villa Loyola, Sudbury; Anishinaabe Spiritual Centre, Espanola; The Sisterhood of St John the Divine, Toronto..

We pray for reconciliation with the Indigenous Peoples of this land: Merciful God, be with us as we seek to heal old wound and find joy again in our relationships. Replace all hearts of stone with hearts of flesh; give us 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, 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, Aberdeen, John, and Sonia. **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 those who have died, remember especially Helen Wormington: Rest eternal grant unto Helen, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her; we look to her glorious resurrection in your Son, where we shall see her again, along with all thy Saints. We pray for Helen’s family and friends as mourn, that they may know the consolation of God’s love, and that all who know sorrow 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

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.*

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

Sunday morning 10.00 am
live-steamed on Facebook

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Liturgy, BAS, pp. 185--215

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

Opening Hymn	565; <i>Guide me Thou, O...</i>
Gathering	BAS, pp. 185
Gloria	365; <i>Glory to God...</i>
Collect of the Day	BAS, p. 373
First Reading	Isaiah 1. 1, 10-20
Psalm 50 , vv. 1-8, 23-24	BAS, p. 768-770
Second Reading	Hebrews 11. 1-3, 8-16
Gradual	569; <i>Come My Way...</i>
Holy Gospel	St Luke 12. 32-40
Sermon	
Confession of Faith	BAS, pp. 188-9
Prayers, Confession	
Absolution, Peace	BAS, pp. 190-2
Offertory Hymn	385; <i>Worship the Lord...</i>
Prayer over Gifts	BAS, p. 373
Eucharistic Prayer #1	BAS, pp. 193-95
The Lord’s Prayer	BAS, p. 211
Breaking of the Bread	BAS, p. 212
Prayer after Communion	BAS, p. 374
Doxology, Dismissal	BAS, pp. 214-15
Closing Hymn	300; <i>Christ is Made...</i>

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Collect for the 9th Sunday after Pentecost: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading (*Isaiah 1. 1, 10-20*)

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Psalm 50, vv. 1-8, 23-24 (*BAS, p. 768-770*) **Refrain: *Our God will come and not keep silence.***

Second Reading (*Heb 11. 1-3, 8-16*)

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the

stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Holy Gospel (*Lk 12. 32-40*)

Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Prayer over Gifts: Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion: Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.