

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

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 Incumbent, the Rev Jeff Hooper.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for parish of the Good Shepherd/Amalguin: Good Shepherd, Emsdale; Grace Church, South River; St John's, Eagle Lake; St George the Martyr, Magnetawan; and for the Rev Cathy Murkin and the Rev Canon Edna Murdy; we pray also for all those in ordained or lay ministries in our parishes, deaneries, and diocese.

We pray for reconciliation with the Indigenous Peoples of this land: Merciful God, be with us as we seek to heal old wounds 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, 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, Vince, Chris, Connie Lee, David Caines, Trischa, Ed, Lori, John P, Ivan, Audrey and her friends, companions, and neighbours at L'Arche, James, Darryl Keen, Heather, John, Sonia, Nancy, Victoria P, Mark, Craig, Dana, Nancy Turner, Rick, Carol, and Debbie.

We pray for those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes: Laurent Constantineau, Sybil Crawford, Marlene Moulton, Betty Bonas, and Daryl Keen; may they always feel God's presence in their lives.

We pray for the Diocesan Synod, scheduled to start May 10 (D.v.)--Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who shall take counsel in the upcoming Diocesan Synod for the renewal of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honour and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; though Jesus Christ our Lord.

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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"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." (Lk 4.18-19)

Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2023

Welcome to our worship! Please know, 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 receive the sacrament at the time of Communion.

3d Sunday after Easter

being the 4th Sunday in Easter; Good Shepherd Sunday

Holy Eucharist

Sunday morning 10.00 am
live-streamed on Facebook
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Liturgy, BCP, pp. 67—86

(readings are per Revised Common
Lectionary, NRSVA translation)

Opening Hymn	378; Crown Him With...
Gathering	BCP, p. 67, pp. 69-70
Collects of the Day	BCP, p. 193; BAS, p. 339
First Lesson	Acts 2. 42-47
Psalm 23	<i>Bulletin</i>
Second Lesson	1 Peter 2.19-25
Gradual Hymn	328; <i>Lo God is Here</i>
Holy Gospel	St John 10.1-10
Nicene Creed	BCP, p. 71
Sermon	
The Offertory	BCP, pp. 72-73
Offertory Hymn	214; <i>The Lamb's High...</i>
The Intercessions	BCP, pp. 75-76
The Confession	BCP, pp. 76-78
Sursum Corda, Sanctus	BCP, p. 78; p. 80; p. 81
Prayer of Consecration	BCP, pp. 82-83
Prayer of Humble Access	BCP, p. 83
Communion Hymns	#81 ; #209
Prayers after Communion	BCP, pp. 85-86
Gloria	<i>Hymn # 365</i>
Blessing	BCP, p. 86
Closing Hymn	381; <i>Praise My Soul</i>

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Collect for 3d Sunday after Easter: Almighty God, who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may forsake those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Collect for Good Shepherd Sunday: O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Lesson (*Acts 2. 42-47*)

The Lesson is written in the 2d chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the 42d verse

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Psalm 23 Refrain: *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. **R**

He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

Second Lesson (*1 Peter 2. 19-25*)

The Epistle is written in the 2d chapter of the First Epistle General of Peter, beginning at the 19th verse

For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what

credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Holy Gospel (*St John 10. 1-10*)

The Holy Gospel is written in the 10th chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John, beginning at the 10th verse

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."