

The Anglican Parish of Christ Church Bolton 21st Sunday after Pentecost/Harvest Thanksgiving October 13, 2024

8 am & 10 am Holy Eucharist
Preacher & Celebrant ~ Rev. Don Davidson



Processional Hymn

COMMON PRAYER – 258, We Plough the Fields and Scatter



▼ The Gathering of the Community

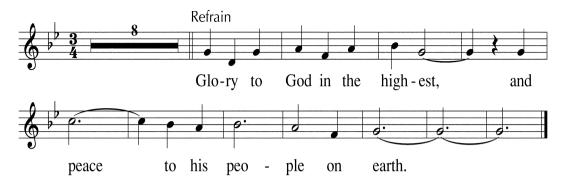
Acknowledgement of Territory

We acknowledge that we are in the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, the Anishinaabe peoples, on whose land and by whose waters we gather to worship, listen, learn, share and heal together in the name of our creator, the Holy One of Blessing.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. **And also with you.**

Almighty God, 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 Lord. Amen.

GLORIA



Verses

- 1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father. Amen! Amen!

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▼ The Collect of the Day

said together

God, whose word is engrained in all we eat and drink: free us from the greed that destroys the roots of life: teach us to eat the living bread in whom all hungers are satisfied by the life that gives of itself and is never sapped Jesus Christ the Living Word. Amen.

★ The Liturgy of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOEL

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit; the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

O children of Zion, be glad, and rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army that I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

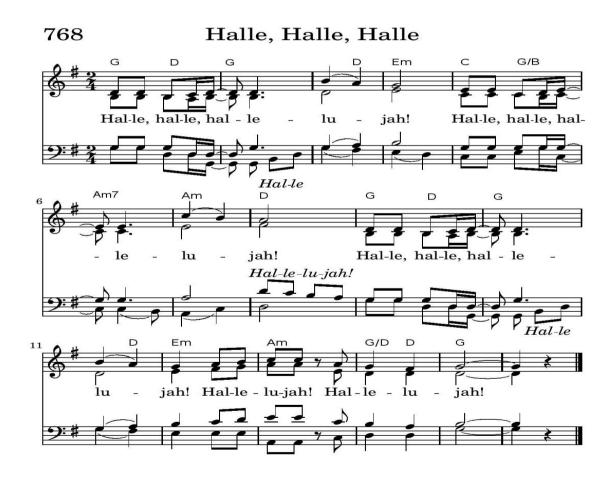
Joel 2:21-27

Listen for the leading of the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

№ PSALM 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream. Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb. May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy. Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.



▼ The Gospel

May God be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Glory to you, O Jesus Christ.

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 6:25-33

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise be to you, O Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

▼ Profession of Faith ~ the Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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.

★ The Prayers of the People

■ Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our forgetfulness of the needs of the poor, and repent of the ways in which we waste the resources of the world.

God has blessed us, but still God's children go hungry.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still the poor cry out for justice.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still we see inequality and oppression in the earth. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Silence is kept

Most merciful God,

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 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.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

■ The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**The members of the community may greet one another in the name of Christ

▼ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn COMMON PRAYER – 259, For the Fruit of All Creation



▼ The Prayer over the Gifts

God of constant love, in this eucharist you renew the covenant made once with us in baptism. As you are faithful in all things may we, in our offering, be faithful to our calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. God is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts

We lift our hearts to God.

Let us give thanks to our Living God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O God, Ruler of the universe: You bring forth bread from the earth. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, O God, Ruler of the universe: You create the fruit of the vine **Blessed be God for ever.**

Wheat and grapes, this bread and wine, are part of the riches of your earth You are worthy, our God to receive glory and honour and praise for you created all things and by your will they have their being.

We thank you, God that you formed us in your own image, creating us male and female and loving us, even when we rebelled against you.

Above all, we give you thanks for Jesus Christ the Word made flesh. Through Jesus you give us the eye of faith a new vision of your glory; you reveal your perfect love, and invite us to love and worship you, the unseen God.

We give you thanks for the living hope you have given us in Jesus Christ, whom we praise with our lips and in our lives, saying

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Loving creator, we praise you that on the night before he died, our saviour Jesus Christ took bread and gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to the disciples, saying, take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me.

After supper Jesus took the cup, gave you thanks and, giving it to the disciples, said, drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins: do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Therefore with these holy gifts we celebrate the offering of Christ made once for all on the cross, we rejoice in the glorious resurrection and ascension, and we look for Christ's coming again:

Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come in glory.

O God, accept this offering of our duty and service, this memorial of Christ . Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these your gifts that they may be for us the body and blood of our Saviour.

Grant that we who eat this bread and drink of this cup may, with the host of angels and all the company of heaven, proclaim the glory of your name and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

▼ The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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 for ever. Amen.

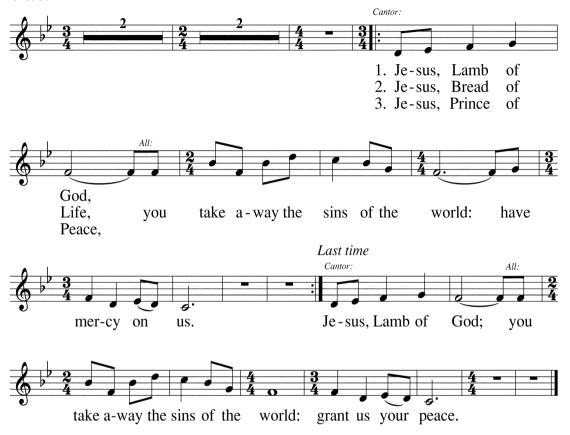
■ The Breaking of the Bread & the Communion

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

AGNUS DEI

Then the eucharistic bread is solemnly broken and the consecrated bread and wine are prepared for holy communion. The litany "Lamb of God" is sung during the breaking of the bread.



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The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Communion Hymn

GATHER - 601, Seed, Scattered and Sown



Postlude

COMMON PRAYER - 429, For the Beauty of Earth



Faithful God, in baptism and eucharist we are made one with you. May we who have shared in holy things always bear witness to your covenant, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Glory to God, 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements

■ Blessing

May God our creator, who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air, bestow on you his care and increase the harvest of your righteousness; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father+ the Son+ and the Holy Spirit+ be with you all, and with all whom you love and serve, this day and for ever.

Recessional Hymn

COMMON PRAYER - 399, Now Thank We All Our God



Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

harvest thanksgiving

DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH WERE GIVEN BY THE FOLLOWING TO ASSIST WITH THE HARVEST DECORATIONS:

ELLA SWEETNAM
In thanksgiving for the life of Lee
Sweetnam

MOLLY JAKEMAN
In memory of Bryan Jakeman

PAT & JOHN DICKS
In memory of those we lost this year.

ALANNA MAY & GREG GARDINER
In memory of Greg's grandparents Mary
and Orville Gardiner

MARG MCGRATH For friends and family

LIZ BANDEIRA In memory of lost loved ones.

JUERGEN SCHMELZER In thanksgiving for Irena

CAROLE WHITEHEAD In thanksgiving for the many blessings

GEORGE & PAT SPITERI Thanksgiving for family and friends

MICHAEL BEWCYK
In thanksgiving for family and friends
and all the blessings

GERRI HILL For family and friends

RUTH AND FRED MAY In memory of Fred's parents, William and Gwladys May, and his grandparents, Evan and Louise Parry

EFFIE TAVENOR In memory of Charlene

PATRICK AND HELEN McQUADE In memory of Coleen, Michael, Mark, Charlene, Mom and Dad

HAUGH GUZZO FAMILY In thanksgiving for many blessings

MAUREEN AND DENNIS KOWAL In thanksgiving for God's blessing, friends and family and Christ Church family



Praying for our church family, friends, and neighbours: take a few minutes each day to say a few names and ask God to care for them.

Laura Vera & Family Sina & Family

Jean & Terry Carol Ohlers Havard

Marg & Gary Mary Stone Joyce

Bill & Dorothy Gerri Hill Brianna

Mike Bewcyk Carole & Don Whitehead Heather Broadbent

Susan Brian Janice & Family

Lisa & Family Christina Darlene

Virginia & Imants Yvonne & David Sweetnam Family

Helen Margaret Kim Smith & Family

Pat James, Pat & Family Tooley Family

If you wish to have a name added to the prayer list, please go to https://christchurchbolton.ca/prayer-requests/ or call/email the church office.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Spiritual direction available at our church. For details contact Wilma Clarke at (647) 518-1770 or wclarke1205@gmail.com

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