ST. GEORGE'S ON-THE-HILL ANGLICAN CHURCH

Harvest Thanksgiving

Sunday, October 8th, 2023 10:30am Holy Eucharist

The crèche (nursery) is available for use by parents of babies and toddlers. Children's programming resumes on October 15th. Activity leaflets are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Prelude: This Is My Father's World

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Opening Hymn: CP #414 God of the Sparrow

God of the sparrow, God of the whale, God of the swirling stars How does the creature say Awe How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake, God of the storm, God of the trumpet blast How does the creature cry Woe How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow, God of the cross, God of the empty grave How does the creature say Grace How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry, God of the sick, God of the prodigal How does the creature say Care How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbour, God of the foe, God of the pruning hook How does the creature say Love How does the creature say Peace

God of the ages, God near at hand, God of the loving heart How do your children say Joy How do your children say Home

The Apostolic Greeting & Collect for Purity

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

PLEASE STAND

Presider: Almighty God,

People: 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.



The Prayer of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:7-18

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A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 149:1-6 PLEASE REMAIN SEATED In your stead - fast love, Ο Lord, you led your peo - ple out, led them to the pro - mised θ land, brought them to your ho _ ly place. Israeli Folk Song

Sing to the Lord a new song; * sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful. Choir: Let Israel rejoice in his Maker, * let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. In your steadfast love, O Lord, you led your people out, People: Led them to the promised land, brought them to your holy place. Choir: Let them praise his Name in the dance; * let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp. For the Lord takes pleasure in his people, * and adorns the poor with victory. People: In your steadfast love, O Lord . . . Choir: Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; * let them be joyful on their beds. Let the praise of God be in their throat, * this is glory for all his faithful people. People: In your steadfast love, O Lord . . .

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Church in Corinth

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)



The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Fr. Michelle

(After the sermon, please keep a period of silence for reflection.)

The 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.
Presider:	Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

The Prayers of the People

PLEASE KNEEL OR STAND AS YOU PREFER

PLEASE STAND

Please respond to the petition "We pray to you, God of creation" with the response, "show us the path of life."

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. 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

Presider:	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 Presider: People:	PLEASE STAND The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

(We encourage you to share a sign of peace with those around you as you are comfortable.)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Offertory Hymn: CP #436 I Bind unto Myself Today I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three.

I bind this day to me forever, by power of faith, Christ's incarnation, his baptism in the Jordan river, his death on cross for my salvation. His bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding up the heavenly way, his coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself today the virtues of the star-lit heaven, the glorious sun's life-giving ray, the whiteness of the moon at even, the flashing of the lightning free, the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks, the stable earth, the deep salt sea around the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to hearken to my need, the wisdom of my God to teach, his hand to guide, his shield to ward, the word of God to give me speech, his heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three, of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word. Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Prayer over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer



The Presiding Celebrant will begin the Eucharistic Prayer by either singing or saying the preface to the prayer. The preface will conclude with the words "to proclaim the glory of your name." We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus as follows:



The Presiding Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing verse 4 of the Sanctus:

People: (verse 4) Glory be to you, O Lord! Glory now and evermore! Hosanna in the highest!

The Presiding Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, and at the elevation of the bread and cup, we sing verse 5 of the Sanctus:

People: (verse 5) Glory be to you, O Lord! Glory now and evermore! To you for evermore. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:



The Breaking of the Bread #4

Presider:	"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.
All:	Give us this bread for ever.
Presider:	"I am the vine, you are the branches."
All:	May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

Song for the Breaking of Bread



- Choir: As we proclaim your death, as we recall your life, We remember your promise to return again. The bread we break and share was scattered once as grain: Just as now it is gathered, making your people one.
- All: Bread of life, hope of the world . . .

Choir:	We eat this living bread, we drink this saving cup:
	Sign of hope in our broken world, source of lasting love
	Hold us in unity, in love for all to see;
	That the world may believe in you, God of all who love.
All:	Bread of life, hope of the world
Choir:	You are the bread of peace, you are the wine of joy,
	Broken now for your people, poured in endless love.
All:	Bread of life, hope of the world
Presider:	The gifts of God for the people of God.
All:	Thanks be to God.

The Communion

All who are baptized are welcome to receive the sacrament of communion in the Anglican Church. Those who are not yet baptized are encouraged to come forward to the altar for a blessing – simply fold your arms across your chest as an indication of your desire for a blessing. This invitation is extended to all – children and infants included. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Music during Communion: Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Sing to the Lord of harvest, sing songs of love and praise; with joyful hearts and voices your alleluias raise! By Him the rolling seasons in fruitful order move. Sing to the Lord of harvest a song of happy love.

By Him the clouds drop fatness, the deserts bloom and spring, the hills leap up in gladness, the valleys laugh and sing. He filleth with His fullness all things with large increase. He crowns the year with goodness, with plenty, and with peace.

Heap on His sacred altar the gifts His goodness gave – the golden sheaves of harvest, the souls he died to save. Your hearts lay down before Him when at His feet ye fall, and with your lives adore Him Who gave His life for all.

Prayer after Communion

Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,

People: 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.

Polychronia ("Many Years")

Celebrant: Let us call down God's blessing:

All: God give you many, many years to thank him for his blessings here. And many, many, many more to pray God still his grace to pour.

The Blessing

Presider: God the Father, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation. Amen. God the Son, who redeemed the world,

inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest. Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation,

help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

PLEASE STAND

(Tune: Tallis' Canon)

PLEASE BE SEATED

H. Willan

Closing Hymn: CP #259 For the Fruit of All Creation For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God; Gifts bestowed on every nation, thanks be to God. For the ploughing, sowing, reaping, Silent growth while we are sleeping, Future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done. In our worldwide task of caring For the hungry and despairing, In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, For the truths that still confound us, Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Dismissal

Postlude: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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