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

St Peter & St Paul, Apostles

Sunday, June 29, 2025, 9:30am Eucharist

- FULL TEXT VERSION OF LEAFLET -

- We welcome George Fung, guest organist, to St. George's today -

Prelude: Chant Donné

Welcome & Announcements

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God.

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.
- 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.

Opening Hymn: #2 When Morning Gilds the Skies (vv 1, 2, 5, 6)

- When morning gilds the skies, my heart, awaking, cries: "May Jesus Christ be praised!" Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
- Whene'er the sweet church bell peals over hill and dell, May Jesus Christ be praised!
 O hark to what it sings, as joyously it rings: May Jesus Christ be praised!
- Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
 Let air and sea and sky from depth to height reply:
 "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
- 6 Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine: May Jesus Christ be praised! Be this the eternal song through all the ages on: May Jesus Christ be praised!

The Prayer of the Day

M. Duruflé

PLEASE STAND

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in scripture

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)

Psalm 16 (Tune: Finlandia - #540)

Protect me, God; I trust in you for safety. I say, "You are my God; all good's from you." How noble are the saints, God's faithful people. My greatest pleasure is to be with them. Those who choose other gods know only trouble. I will not worship them or speak their names.

God gives me food, is ever my provider; My boundaries enclose a pleasant land. I bless the Lord who ever does instruct me, And in the night gives guidance to my heart. I keep the presence of the Lord before me; I am not shaken, for God's always near.

Therefore my heart is glad, my soul rejoices. My body also in you is secure. You do not give me up to lands of shadow, Nor leave your faithful in the land of death. The path of life you show to me; your presence Gives joy and pleasure for eternity.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:1-8

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the

PLEASE BE SEATED Read by Marlene Hutzul-Reesor

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED & JOIN IN SINGING

Read by Mary-Anne Rodgers

race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please keep a period of silence for reflection)



The Holy Gospel: John 21:15-19

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Fr. Andrew

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

Affirmation of Faith (Iona Community)

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- Presider: As we stand, I invite those who would like to make a profession of Christian faith to join with me in these words from the Iona Community.
- People: We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the one God, Maker and Sustainer of earth, sea, and sky. Born of Mary's womb, Faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed heaven on earth. Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, He died But transformed even death and rose to life everlasting. He blessed the disciples with the Holy Spirit And sent them forth, east and west, north and south.

We commit ourselves To Jesus, To one another as brothers and sisters And to God's mission in the world. In the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

A Litany of Inclusion

God, you have made people of every imaginable kind:

Colours and shapes,

Privileged and marginalized,

Rich and poor,

Gay and straight,

She, he, and they.

We have differences of every imaginable kind:

Perspectives and worldviews,

Countries and cultures,

Philosophies and theologies,

Sexualities and identities,

Accepting and struggling.

We acknowledge that we tend to fear what we don't understand,

And that love is more powerful than fear.

We acknowledge that we must work to understand each other

And that this work is Kingdom work.

We acknowledge that each perspective brings your nature into clearer picture

And that we need each other's points of view.

Help us to love one another

Even though we are different.

Help us to celebrate one another

Even though we may not agree.

Help us to be kind to one another

Even when we have been hurt.

Help us to open the doors to our churches,

Homes,

Organizations,

Governing bodies,

Dinner tables,

Even though it may feel awkward and impractical.

We know that the diversity of the people of the world is a good gift:

For our growth and edification,

To help us see your vision for the world

Where there are neither slave nor free,

Male nor female nor other,

One race nor the other;

But we are all free, beloved, and united

In the peace of Christ Jesus.

Led by Marlene Hutzul-Reesor

And now, gathering all our prayers, cares and petitions into one, we pray as our Saviour taught us:

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 Peace

Presider:The peace of the Lord be always with you!People:And also with you!

(We encourage you to share 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: #442 Great God, Your Love (vv. 1-3, 5)

PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

- Great God, your love has called us here As we, by love, for love were made. Your living likeness still we bear, Though marred, dishonoured, disobeyed. We come, with all our heart and mind, Your call to hear, your love to find.
- We come with self-inflicted pains
 Of broken trust and chosen wrong;
 Half-free, half-bound by inner chains;
 By social forces swept along,
 By powers and systems close confined;
 Yet seeking hope for humankind.
- Great God, in Christ you call our name
 And then receive us as your own
 Not through some merit, right, or claim,
 But by your gracious love alone.
 We strain to glimpse your mercy seat
 And find you kneeling at our feet.
- Great God, in Christ you set us free, Your life to live, your joy to share.
 Give us your Spirit's liberty
 To turn from guilt and dull despair
 And offer all that faith can do
 While love is making all things new.

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer	
Presider:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Presider:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presiding Celebrant acclaims the life-giving power of God in the story of salvation and calls on us to join all creation in the song of the angels. We then sing verses 1-3 of the Sanctus following:



The Presiding Celebrant recounts God's continuing love in the history of humanity and in the sending of his son, Jesus Christ. We join Jesus as he celebrates his Last Supper and acclaim his giving of himself in the gifts of bread and wine. After the words over the cup and the elevation of the chalice, we sing the following:

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

The Presiding Celebrant calls on the Holy Spirit to bless the gifts and strengthen us until we come to share the joys of eternity. We praise God's endless love and at the elevation of the bread and cup we sing the following:

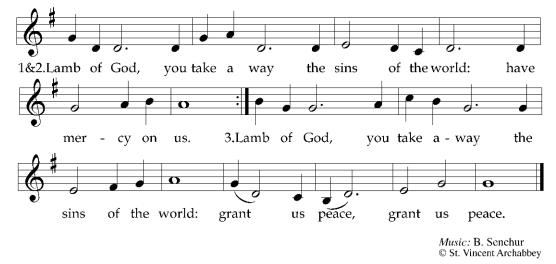
People: (verse 5) Glory, glory, glory! Glory be to you, O Lord! Glory, glory, glory! Amen, amen!

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Song for the Breaking of Bread



Presider:The gifts of God for the people of God.People:Thanks be to God.

The Communion

All who seek God in Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament of holy communion. If you would prefer a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to indicate this. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

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.

Closing Hymn: CP #353 My God, How Endless Is Your Love

- 1 My God, how endless is your love! Your gifts are every evening new, And morning mercies from above gently distil, like early dew.
- 2 You spread the curtains of the night, great Guardian of my sleeping hours; Your sovereign Word restores the light, and quickens all my drowsy powers.
- 3 I yield my powers to your command; to you I consecrate my days: Perpetual blessings from your hand demand perpetual songs of praise.

Blessing & Dismissal

Postlude: Toccata

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PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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