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September 5, 2021

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Presiding: The Rev. Dr. Kyle Norman

Prelude: "The Hour of Worship" – Arsene Siegel

Collect of the Day: Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 397 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

*Praise the one who breaks the darkness
with a liberating light.*

*Praise the one who frees the prisoners,
turning blindness into sight.*

*Praise the one who preached the gospel,
healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
with the very bread of peace.*

*Praise the one who blessed the children
with a strong yet gentle word.*

*Praise the one who drove out demons
with a piercing two-edged sword.*

*Praise the one who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water,
quenching thirst in every land.*

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm 146

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Second Reading: James 2:1-17

Hymn 306 "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

*O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace.*

*Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.*

The Gospel according Mark 7:24-37

The Intercession:

- The Anglican Communion: The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
- The Anglican Church of Canada: The Most Rev. Linda Nicholls, Primate; The Diocese of Algoma: The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop
- The Diocese of Calgary: The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Archbishop of Calgary and Metropolitan of Rupert's Land; Church of the Ascension, Coaldale: The Rev. Dr. Carolyn Langford, The Rev. Michael Ebsworth; Bishop, Archdeacons and Regional Deans (BARDs)
- Our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands: The Rt. Rev. Leopold Friday, Bishop; St. Patrick, Barrouallie with St. David, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, All Saints, and Mary Magdalene, on St. Vincent: The Rev. Alison Samuel
- Our Parish: Archivist Gwen Gover

- Our Members: Ann Calvert; Darren and Lisa Campbell; Roger Cann, Susan Spellman-Cann, Julie, and Andrew; Wynne Carlson; Austen Carn
- The World: Jamaica; all people and countries affected by natural disasters or terrorist attacks; for peace and reconciliation
- in Our Parish: Catherine Johnson, Pauline and Hugh Dempsey, Ruth Syme, Beverly McDonald, Doris Kashmanian, Greg Hansen, Charlene, Clare Westbury, Brenda Hanna
- Beyond Our Parish: Wayne and Bev Parkin, Chanson, Joel

Celebration of the Eucharist

Hymn 292 "We Cannot Measure How You Heal"

*We cannot measure how you heal
or answer every sufferer's prayer,
yet we believe your grace responds
where faith and doubt unite to care.
Your hands, though bloodied on the cross,
survive to hold and heal and warn,
to carry all through death to life
and cradle children yet unborn.*

*The pain that will not go away,
the guilt that clings from things long past,
the fear of what the future holds,
are present as if meant to last.
But present too is love which tends
the hurt we never hope to find,
the private agonies inside,
the memories that haunt the mind.*

Hymn 592 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

*Where cross the crowded ways of life,
where cries of tribe and race resound,
amid the noise of selfish strife,
O Christ, your word of life is found.*

*In haunts of wretchedness and need,
on shadowed thresholds, dark with fears,
from paths where hide the lures of greed,
we catch the vision of yours tears.*

Postlude: "Work, for the Night is Coming" – Gordon Young

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The altar flowers have been given to the glory of Almighty God by
Glynis and Todd McClary in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary.

Zoom coffee hour: will return on September 19.

Ice Cream Sunday: Next Sunday, September 12, we invite you to come to the church for a pre-packaged ice cream treat between 1:00 and 2:00 PM. The church doors will be open - sit in a pew and look at the banners and pray if you wish, see the new carpet in the narthex, enjoy being in the church that you love so much.

In-Person Services: We will resume in-person services on Sunday, September 19 at 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM. Both services will be Morning Prayer, with Eucharist resuming on October 3. See the newsletter for more details.

Congratulations to Ken and Betty Carter who celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary on September 1.

Out of Covid: The videos for this five-part series prepared by Rev. Kyle to explore our transition back to in-person worship are available to view on the website. We encourage every parishioner to participate in the series.

"Open and Unafraid" book study begins on Monday, September 27 at 7:00 PM; **Bible study** begins on Thursday, September 30 at 7:00 PM. Both are on Zoom. Speak to Rev. Kyle for more information.

Next Week's Readings – September 12 – The Feast of Holy Cross

Numbers 21:4b-9; Psalm 98:1-6; 1 Corinthians 1:18-24; John 3:13-17

Assisting Today

Doug Spreeman (Music Director); Anne Davidson (Worship Assistant); Michael Trenholm-Boyle, Mary Buchanan (Readers); Mryka Hall-Beyer (Soloist); Janice Bauer (Intercessor); Kelly Zeeb, Solomon Norman (Videographers); Geraldine Cooke, Joyce Lee (Altar Guild); CCLI License No. 1153377