

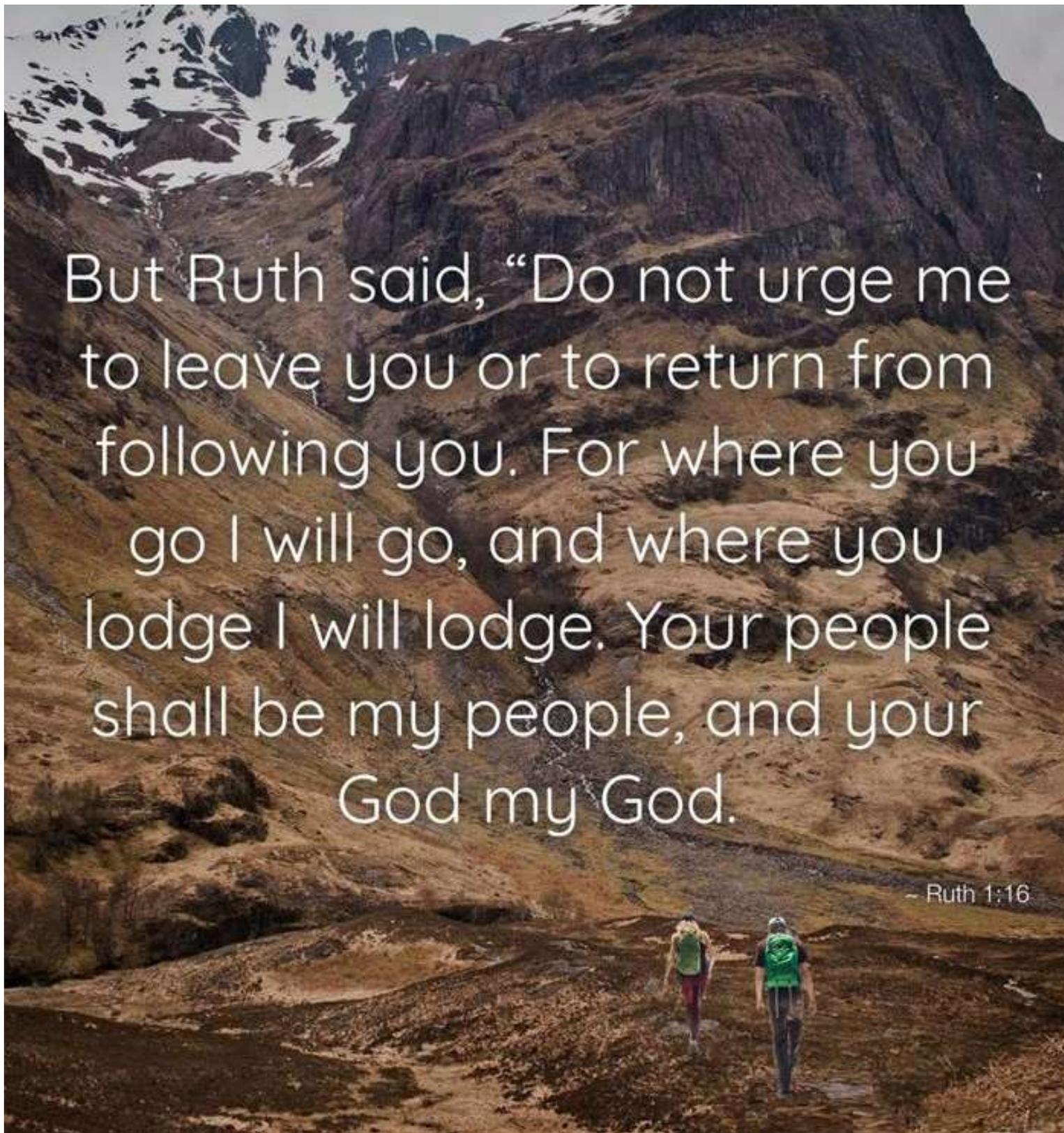


Order of Service for October 2021
The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
9:30 am
Holy Eucharist
Officiating: The Rev'd Dr. Norman Knowles
Preaching: The Rev'd Fergus Tyson
Assisting: The Rev'd Betty Nadurak



But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

— Ruth 1:16



Service of Holy Eucharist

The Gathering of the Community

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
(screens)

Greeting (screens)

Collect for Purity (screens)

The Summary of the Law (screens)

Gloria in Excelsis (screens)

Collect of the Day (screens)

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and

with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die - there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

RUTH 1:1-18

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 146 (screens)

The Second Reading

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead

works to worship the living God!

HEBREWS 9:11-14

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual Hymn: Bind Us Together (screens)

The Holy Gospel

People: *Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbour as oneself,' - this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

MARK 12:28-34

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

Sermon

The Nicene Creed (screens)

The Prayers of the People

Litany 2 (screens)

Prayer in Response to COVID-19 (screens)

Confession and Absolution (screens)

The Peace (screens)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Information (screens)

Offertory Hymn: Sister, Let Me be Your Servant (screens)

Prayer over the Gifts (screens)

Eucharistic Prayer (screens)

The Lord's Prayer (screens)

Prayer of Humble Access (screens)

The Communion (screens)

Communion Hymn: (screens)

Prayer after Communion (screens)

Doxology (screens)

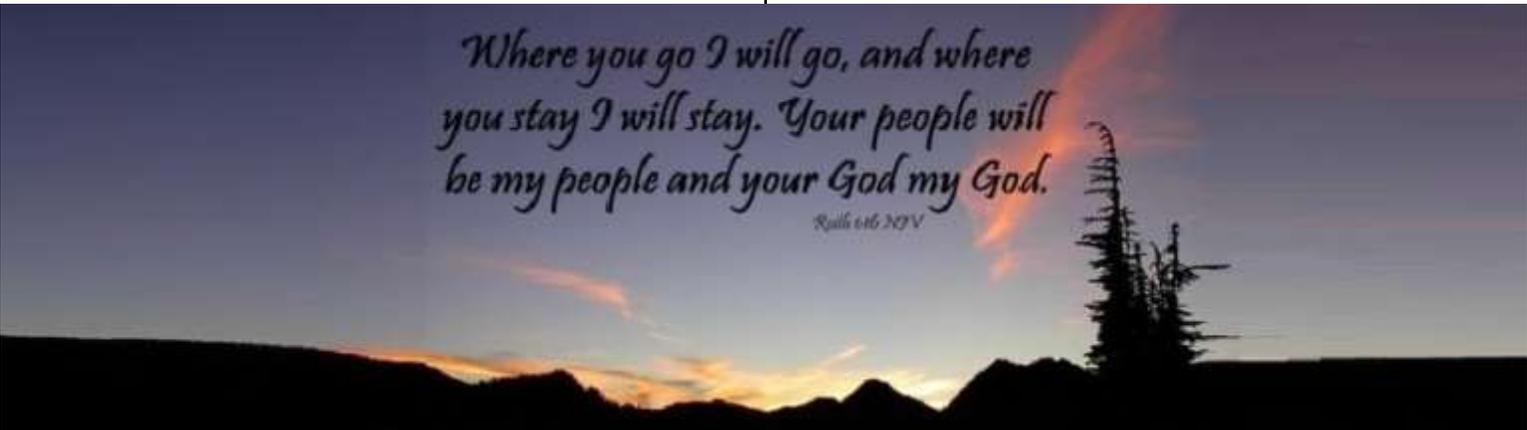
The Blessing

Closing Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide (screens)

Dismissal (screens)

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You're invited to join us for a Virtual Coffee Time today at 11:30 am. Here's the Zoom link: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87399496922?pwd=eWxvZDdTYUVuNjZdUZ4MjFHWFdQdzog>. We'd love to share this time of fellowship with you!

Reserved Sacrament can be picked up from the Office on Monday to Friday from 9 am to noon.



*Where you go I will go, and where  
you stay I will stay. Your people will  
be my people and your God my God.*

Psalm 135:2

# Prayers for This Week

*(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for *the Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.*

*In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle: In the Anglican Church we pray for the Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon and in the Lutheran Church we pray for the president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon.*

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for the parish of *Christ Church, Fort Macleod*; and for their incumbent *Andrew Lees*; we also pray for the *Calgary School for Mission & Ministry.*

We lift to you our friends, in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands.

In our Parish Cycle, we pray for *the safety and well-being of all members of our Parish, and pledge to stay connected with one another and face the challenges of COVID-19 together; we remember our clergy, Fergus, Cyril, Norman, Bob, Betty, and their families; and we especially uphold all who are infirm, immune-compromised, or on the COVID-19 front lines.*

We pray for our foster child *Desta Keweti.*

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you *the family of Joy (Abby's sister); Herb & the family of Debbie; Antony; Judy; Kai; Roger and Helen (parents of Paul); Dinah; Bill; the family of John; Debra, Lori and family of Josie; Crystal (niece of Rosemarie); Bill & Pat; Sean, Shannon, & Steve; the family of Bob; the family of Carmen; John; the family of Bonnie; Gerald; Brian; Gerald and Louise (Shannon's father and mother); Megan and family, Molly (mother of Sian); the family of Simon; the family of Anne; Stephen; Dwight (Dorothy-Ann's cousin); Donna; Jo; the family of Brenda (relative of the Collers); the family of Joan (mother of Richard); Tracy; Roxie and the family of Andy; Janet; Julia; Vern (brother-in-law of Rick); the Herritt family in their bereavement; Gina; Gael; Verna and her family; Michael; Barb; Jen; the family of Leslie; Patrick, Jordan; the family of Lene; the family of Helen; Eleanor; Jackie K. (sister of Pauline); Dorothy; the family of Mauricia (mother of Ella ); Max & Rebecca; Anne; Dozy & Obie & family; Karla; the family of Kathy; Kevin; Richard (friend of Anne); Terry; Jerrod; Melissa and her family (friends of Jenn); Dennis; Mike; Val; Alyssa (granddaughter of Betty); Martin; Chinazor; Sheila; Linda; Melissa and her family; Adrianna; Peggy; Bob and Joanne; Laura (sister of Kim); the family of Douglas; Michelle; Ian; Pat; Christine; Rick (brother of Sheila); Gwen; Jacquie; Gwen (aunt of Julie), Jackie (cousin of Julie), Ellen; Pauline; Tucker (M'Laurel & Scott's child); Monika (mother of Dennis); Kathy (daughter of Bob & Joanne); Her Majesty The Queen, & all the Royal Family in their bereavement; Trudy (cousin of Iona); Len; Andrea and Andrew's family; Margaret; Marlene; the family of James (father of Allison); Ginny; the Rev'd Tim Webster; Lorrie & the family of Wayne; and Cindee (sister of Rick Coller).*

We pray for *containment of COVID-19 worldwide; rapid and successful vaccinations; actions guided by the safety of others; protection for all those on the front lines or especially vulnerable to its effects, in particular all who are homeless; and full restoration of health for all those who are ill.*

We pray for *all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil by fires, floods, storms or other natural disasters.* We remember also all who are struggling economically, We pray for us all to stand together in hard times.

We pray for *the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together.*

We pray for *forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by the Residential Schools' system, and for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to Islamophobia and all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation; and for new paths forward that respect and honour all of God's most precious children.*

We pray for peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. We pray for *protection for all places of worship, and remember all those whose places of worship have been burned down. We remember the people of the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for the 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes. We stand in solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be.* We pray for protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.

We thank you for *the improving COVID-19 case numbers; the gift of effective vaccines for this disease; and the commitment shown by all those giving of themselves to care for others.*

We thank you for *the opportunity to resume worshipping you together in-person next Sunday.*

We thank you for *the improving health of Brian and Stephen;* and for your healing touch, which sustains us every day, and all the many healings that have taken place in our parish; and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.



*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God.*