

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 29, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Processional Hymn: B #322

Collect of the Day

Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the

land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Bethpeor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power

that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Psalm 90 *Tune: Land of Rest*

You have been our strong refuge, Lord;
Each age has praised your Name;
Before hills, land, and earth were born
Still you have been the same.

You turn us to the dust and say,
“Go back,” for in your sight
A thousand ages past are but
A brief watch in the night.

You sweep us all away like dreams,
We fade away like grass:
At daybreak green and flourishing,
By evening dry and past.

You have been our strong refuge, Lord;
Each age has praised your Name;
Before hills, land, and earth were born
Still you have been the same.

Lord, let the splendor of your works
Shine brightly as the sun;
May all God’s goodness rest on us;
Prosper what we have done.

Second Reading: Acts 7:54-60

When they heard these things, they became enraged and ground their teeth at Stephen. But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ‘Look,’ he said, ‘I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!’ But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.’ Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them.’ When he had said this, he died.

Gradual Hymn: B #487, vs. 1, 2, 3 & 4 before the Gospel, v. 5 & 6 after the Gospel

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered

together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Offertory Hymn: B #507

Prayer over the Gifts

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Hymns: R #46, 89, 107, 153 After Communion: B #74

Prayer after Communion

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: B #435

ANNOUNCEMENTS for Oct. 29, 2023

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: MON 7:15PM

A year long journey using Following the Call: Living the Sermon on the Mount Together, to explore Jesus' teachings.

PINT & A PASSAGE: TUES 7PM

Join the conversation about the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday at Rob Roy's. Bring your Bible and an open mind.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School continues to be the grateful recipient of any donations of Lego, small dolls and woven baskets (approx. 8 inches in length). Please stop by our space to see our map of Jesus' ministry, our model of Jerusalem and the initial stages of our tabernacle. We very much appreciate the continued support of the congregation. Response to our requests for donations has been wonderful! Art and craft supplies are always appreciated, especially stickers, stamps and paper punches. We are blessed! Emily and Nancy (and Hope)

CHOIR

Anyone interested in joining our choir, please contact Sterling Bennett at (613) 283-7833 or (613) 285-4263.

PRAY K7A

Come and pray for Smiths Falls and area. The last Sunday of each month Christians from across Smiths Falls will gather to pray for the town and area, to sing praise to God, and to encourage each other. Today, October 29, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., we'll gather at Calvary Bible Church, 15 Beech Street. We'll be praying generally for the Town and area, so please bring your own cares and concerns to pray with the Christian community. Music will be led by members of the Calvary worship ministry team.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

For the month of October there will be baskets set up at the front of the Church for donations to the Food Bank.

ALL SOULS SERVICE

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

We are extending a special invitation to everyone to join in a memorial service to remember those who have died,

especially those who died in the last year.

Prayers will especially be offered for the families of the late Dianne Mason, Lorrena Griffith, Audrey Crowe, Deborah Hartley, Donald Thomas, Pearl Bond, Elaine Moyse, Jim Harper, Leita Kerfoot, W. Daniel Burns, Vivian Fleming, Sylvia McCallum, Eva Cullen, Terry Nabert, Kevin Salter, Lily Willis and Lila Powers. (those in our Parish who have passed over the past twelve months).

Anyone wishing to have a loved one remembered in the bulletin on that day, please contact the Church Office, either by e-mail: stjohns.smithsfalls@gmail.com, or by phone: (613) 283-1261.

SALVATION ARMY KETTLE CAMPAIGN

The Salvation Army is looking to recruit volunteers for their Kettle Campaign which begins November 17, 2023. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Mary Lynn Wilson or Jackie Staples at (613) 283-3563 or e-mail:

mary-lynn.wilson@salvationarmy.ca.

For today's service:

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: Rev. Canon Jim Roberts

Reader & Intercessor: Cindy Penman

Communion Assistants: Kevin Lewis & Ron Watt

Greeters: Carol McNabb & Kathy Porter

Readings for next Sunday, November 5, 2023:

Rev 7:9-17; Ps 34:1-10,22; Acts 11:19-30; Mt 5:1-12

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Weekly Liturgies

Holy Eucharist – Sundays 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.* – Wednesdays 10 a.m.

**Sunday School offered at 10 a.m. from September – June*

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