Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2024

10:00AM

Quietly accept the message planted in your hearts; it can bring you salvation. James 1:21

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Please stand when clergy enter.

Prelude *Elegiac Prelude* Gerald Bales

Opening Hymn *Ye Holy Angels Bright* **Blue Book 323**

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

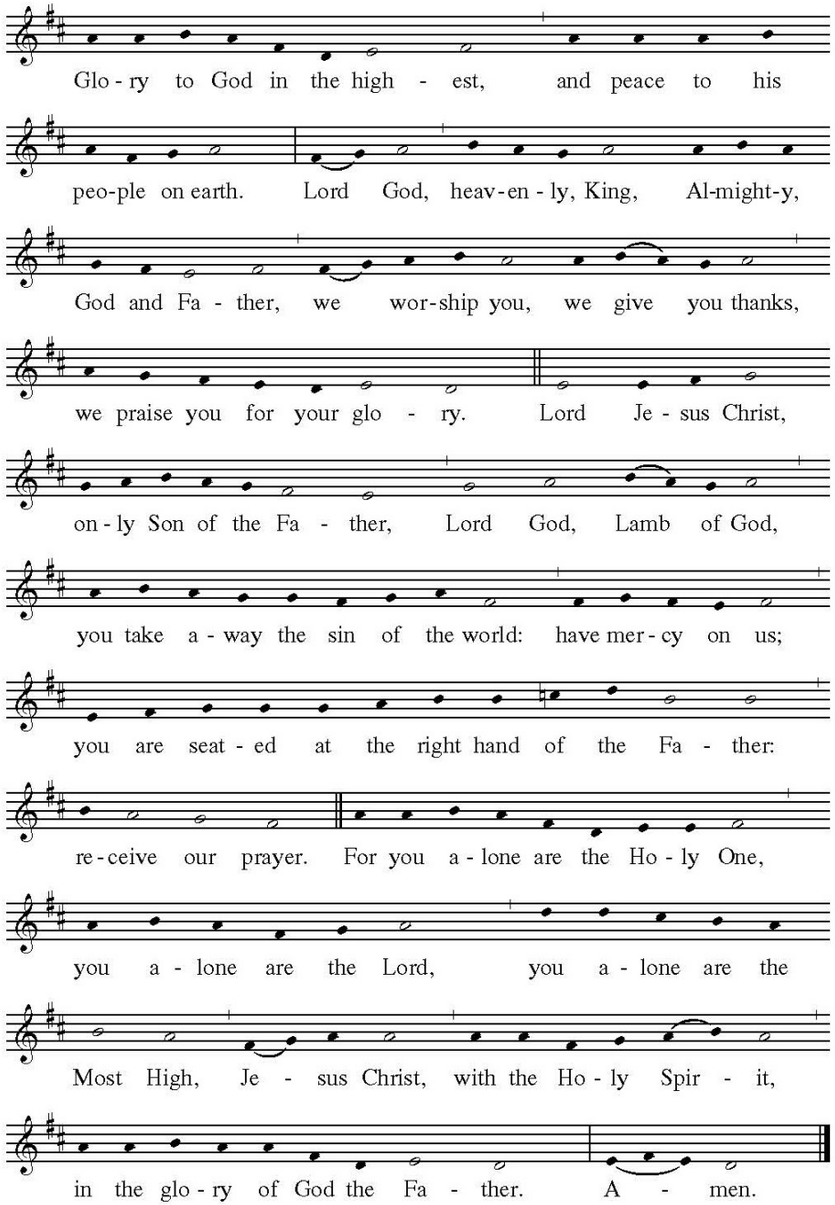
Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

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.**

Gloria *(Please join in singing.)*



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The Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.
Almighty God, without you we are not able to please you. Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

"Children's Corner" – Children are welcome to join Heather at the back of the Cathedral.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD *Today's Readers: Catherinanne George and Brody Weekes*

A Reading from the First Book of Samuel: *(Silence between the readings for reflection.)*

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers;

and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah. *1 Samuel 15:34-16:13*

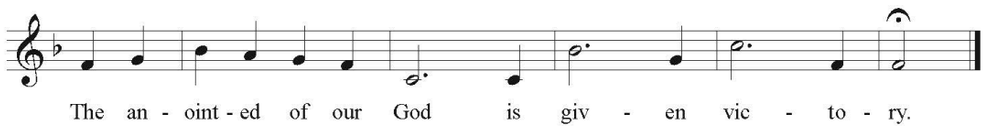
Reader The word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *20*

Green Book p. 895

(Please join in singing the Refrain.)

Refrain



A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians:

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord - for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.]

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!
2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13), 14-17

Reader The word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn *Let All Creation Bless the Lord* **Blue Book 419**

Holy Gospel *Mark 3:20-35*

Reader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples. *Mark 4:26-34*

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily The Very Rev'd Dr. Kevin George *Please be seated*

The Nicene Creed *Please stand*

Presider Let us confess our faith, as we say,
All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he

was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Lord, in your mercy,
People **Hear our prayer.**

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.

Silence is kept.

Presider 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 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.**

Presider 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.
People **Amen.**

The Peace *Please stand*

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn *Fairest Lord Jesus* **Blue Book 619**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of reconciliation and forgiveness, the saving work of Christ has made our peace with you. May that work grow toward its perfection in all we offer you this day. We ask this in his name.
People **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

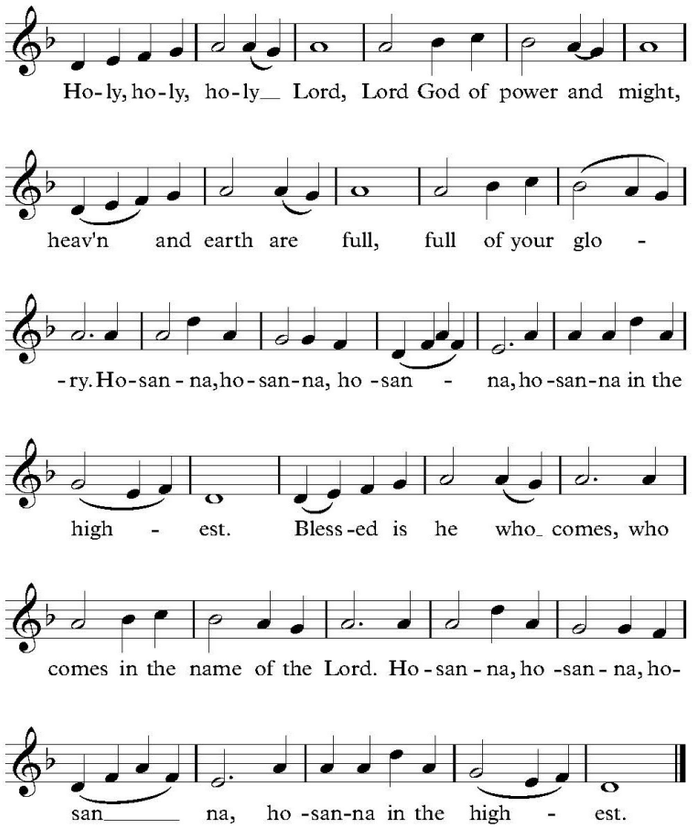
Presider The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: wonderfully you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

(Congregation to join in singing.)

Presider Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

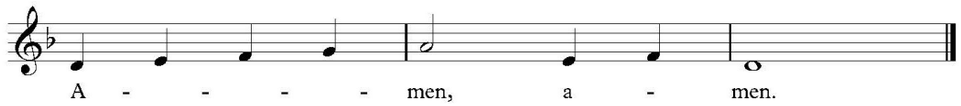
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Presider Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All



(Congregation to join in singing the Lord's Prayer.)

Lord's Prayer

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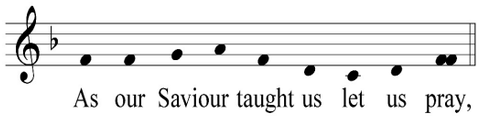
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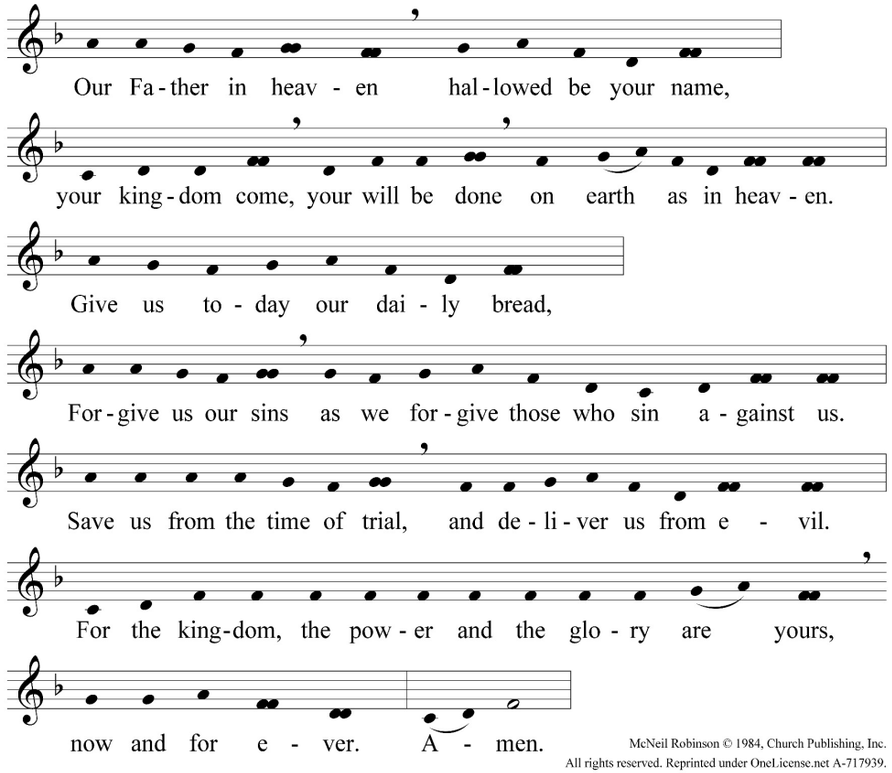

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The Breaking of the Bread

Presider "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."
All **Taste and see that the Lord is good;**
happy are they who trust in him!

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Gluten-free communion wafers *are available. Please indicate your wish to the administrant at Communion.*

Communion Solo *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* F. Mendelssohn
Catharine Sadler, soprano

Prayer after Communion *Please stand*

Presider Let us pray.
Holy and blessed God, as you give us the body and blood of your Son, guide us with your Holy Spirit, that we may honour you not only with our lips but also in our lives. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
People **Amen.**

Doxology

Presider Glory to God,
All **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Post Communion Hymn *O Jesus, I Have Promised* **Blue Book 438**

Blessing and Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the congregation in these or similar words:

Deacon Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

Postlude *Hornpipe (from 'The Water Music Suite')* G.F. Handel

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour – Please join us for coffee and cold drinks in Cronyn Hall.

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The flowers at the Chancel Steps are to the glory of God and in memory of a loving husband and father Jack, and son and brother Rick, given by Marg Fyfe and daughter Kathy.

Diocese of Huron Chain of Prayer – Today we pray for the Parishes of All Saint's Waterloo; All Saints' Filipino Community; Church of the Holy Saviour, Waterloo; Grace Church, Brantford; St. James', Brantford; and St. Mark's, Brantford.

Intercessions – Ann & Ellis, Marg, George, Debbie, Gerry, Kaari Marie, Gary, Harvey, Linda, Tom, Sara, Ann, Clifford, Jim, Gord, Barb, Margaret, Mary, Carrol, Keith.

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Today's Liturgical Leaders

Presider and Preacher – **The Very Reverend Dr. Kevin George**
Gospeller and Intercessor – **The Reverend Pat Henderson**
Lay Administrants – **Peter Hockin, Nandom Gunen**
Greeters – **Gord Rolleston, Joan Rolleston**
Children's Ministry – **Heather Clark**
Wardens – **Greg Childs, Gord Rolleston**
Live Stream – **Jade Vajna**
Sound Technician – **Daniel Aldcroft**
Bell Ringer – **Allan Nagata**

OUR HISTORY

Before London's settlement in 1826, the downtown city site comprised a landscape of gravel, sand, marshy streams, trees and the debris of the great glaciers of the Ice Age. On the Queens Avenue side of the St. Paul's Cathedral property was once a tall, gravelly knoll at the foot of which was a quicksand bog.

The Right Reverend Todd Townshend
Bishop of Huron
The Very Reverend Kevin George
Dean of Huron & Rector of St. Paul's Cathedral
The Reverend Pat Henderson
Deacon
Ian Sadler
Organist & Director of Music

Gregory Childs
Church Warden
Gord Rolleston
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