Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

10:00AM

God has called us through the gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Thessalonians 2:14

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SUNG EUCHARIST (Book of Alternative Services)

Please stand when clergy enter.

Prelude *The Border Country (from 'Scenes in Northumberland')* F. Wood

Opening Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* **Blue Book 429**

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

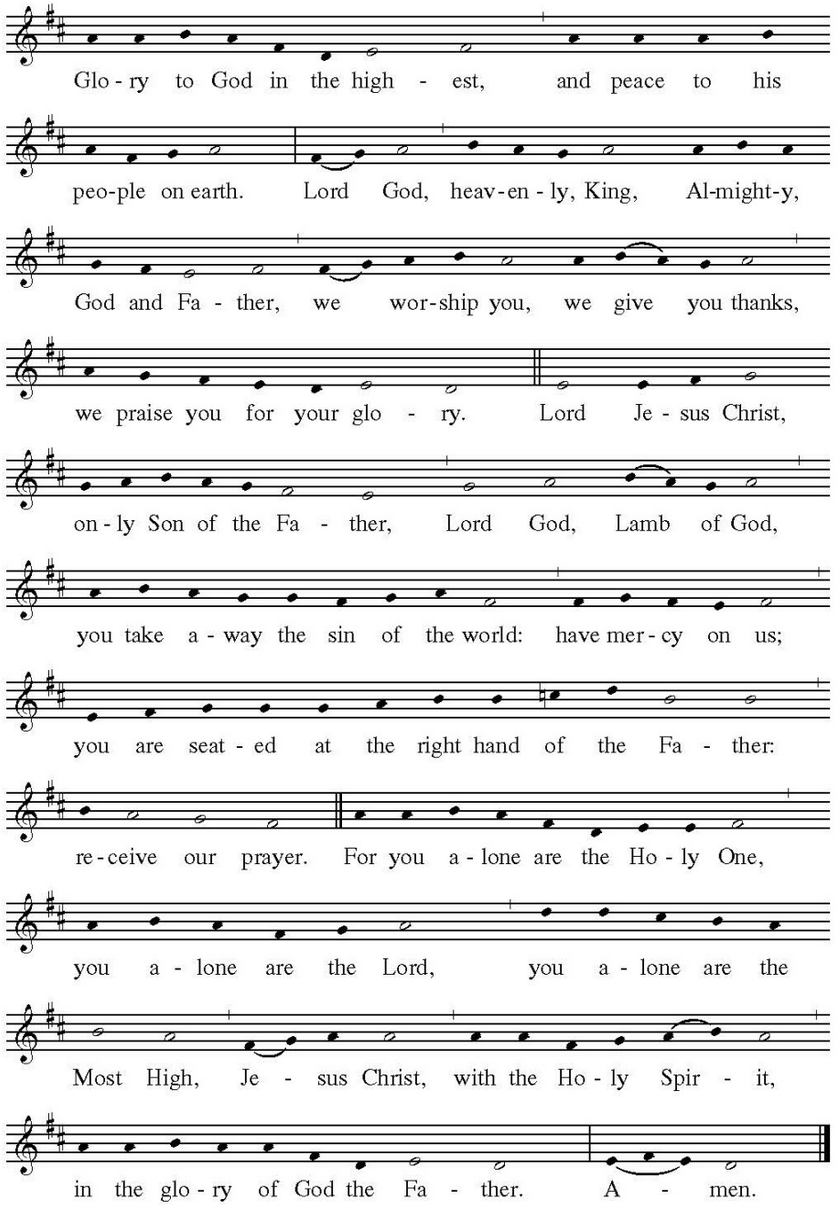
Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

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, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; 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: Trudy Warren, David Warren

(Silence is observed between the readings and the homily for reflection.)

A Reading from the Book of Proverbs:

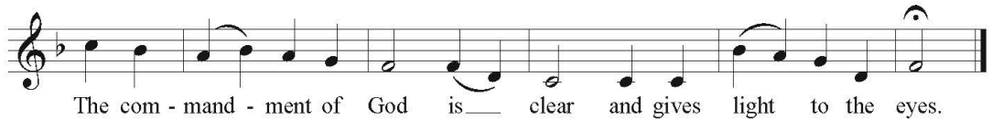
A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant girls. She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates. Proverbs 31:10-31

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

Psalm *1* **Green Book p. 705**

(Please join in singing the Refrain.)

Refrain



A Reading from the Letter of James:

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. *James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a*

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

Sequence Hymn *God, Your Glorious Presence* **Blue Book 337**

Holy Gospel *Mark 9:30-37*

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.**

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

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.

Prayers of Intercession

Leader Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Loving God, you welcome all at your table of grace. Instill in your church a spirit of humility and curiosity, that we embrace all who seek you. We pray especially for ministries of hospitality and faith formation *(specific ministries may be names)*. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Creating God, you shape the world so there is more than enough for all. Curb our habits of overuse, and guide us toward more sustainable sources of energy, food, and water. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Gracious God, your peace brings justice and solidarity. Encourage peace among peoples, tribes, and nations; heal divisions in our country and local communities, that together we might cooperate for the good of all. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Faithful God, you draw near to you all who are in need. Bring healing and wholeness to all who suffer *(especially)*. Transform economic, political, and social systems that oppress vulnerable people, especially systems of structural racism and generational poverty. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader Transforming God, you accompany all through changes and transitions. Help us to see where you are calling this community to new ways of living the gospel promise; assure us that even as change brings loss, it also brings hope and life. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Leader Merciful God, you embrace us on our final pilgrimage from this life. Accompany all who have died, console those who mourn, and at the last, show us the way to eternal life in you. Hear us, O God.

People **Your mercy is great.**

Leader We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

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 *Draw the Circle Wide* **Blue Book 418**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.**

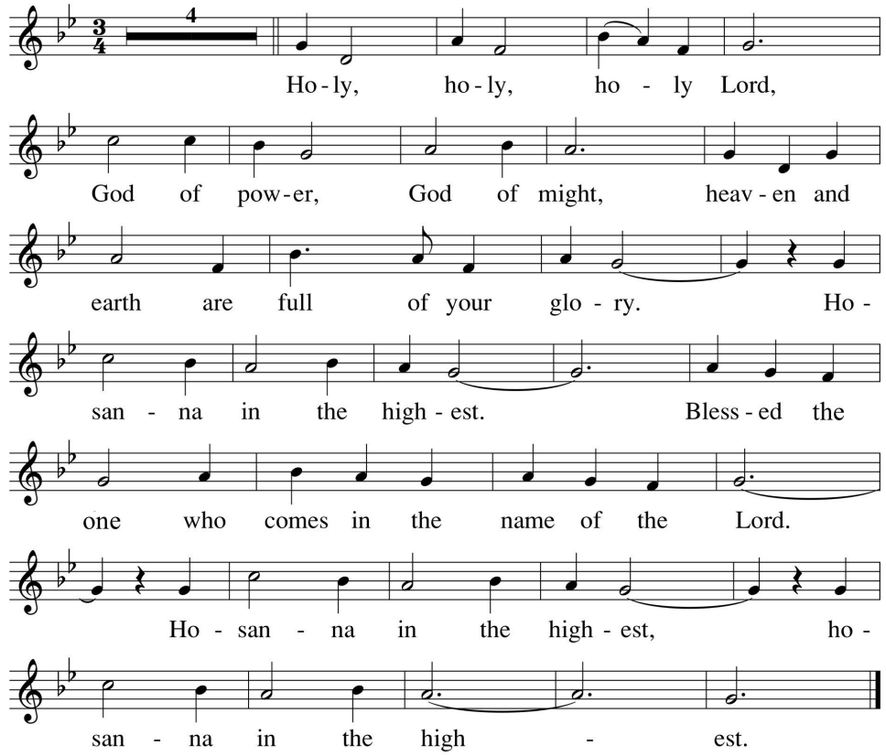
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.)

SANCTUS



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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.

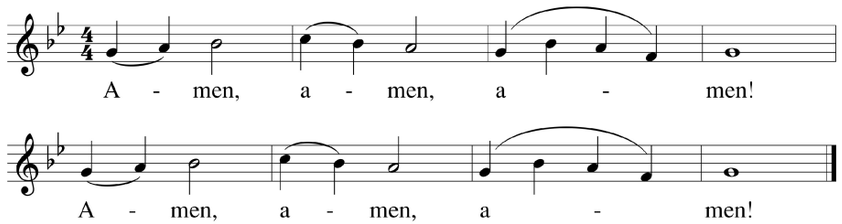
All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

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.

DOXOLOGY AND GREAT AMEN

All



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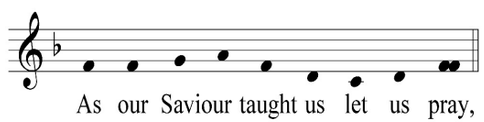
Lord's Prayer

Presider:



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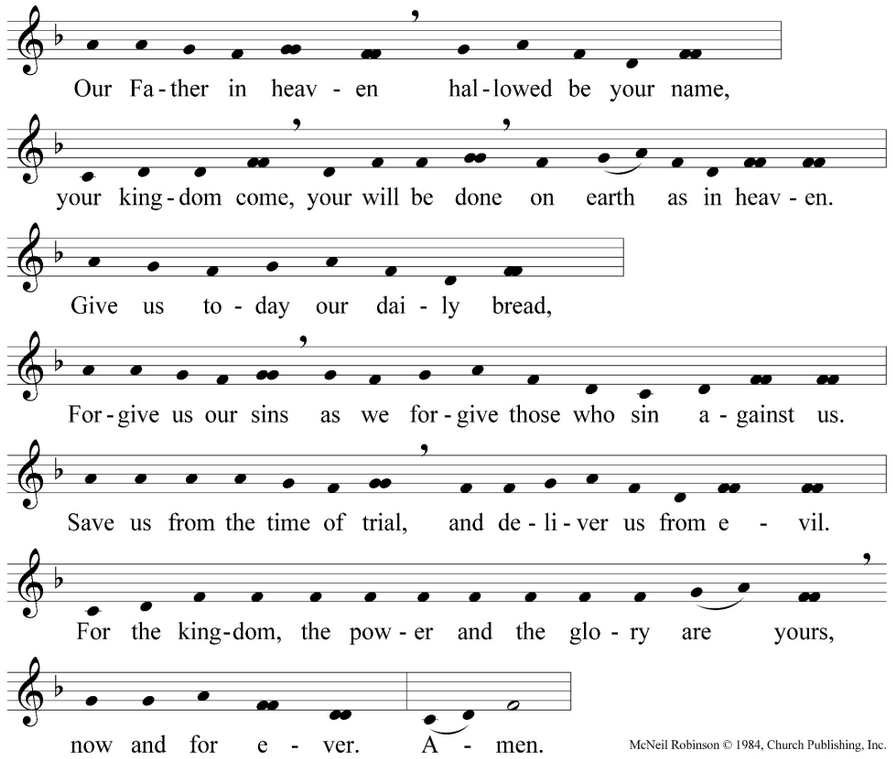

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The Breaking of the Bread

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 Motets *O Lamb of God* — Harold Darke
O Be Joyful In the Lord All Ye Lands — Wm. Boyce

Prayer after Communion — *Please stand*

Presider Let us pray.
Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same 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 *Yours* the Hand That Made Creation — **Blue Book 256**

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 *'Great' Fugue in a minor, BWV 543* — J.S. Bach

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diocese of Huron Chain of Prayer – Today we pray for the Parishes of St. James the Apostle, Wallaceburg; St. James the Apostle, Port Lambton; St. John-in-the-Wilderness, Brights Grove; Christ Church, Forest; and Christ Church, Petrolia.

Intercessions – Ann & Ellis, Clifford, Barb, Margaret, Mary, Carrol, Keith, Doreen & family, Jim, Marion, Jennifer, Gerry, Kim, Mike, Bill, Christina, Kathy, Art, Phillips & Mitchell families, Sophia.

Music at Midday Series These free lunch hour concerts are presented in our Sanctuary, 30-40 minutes in length.
September 26: Kennedy Kimber-Johnson, organ

St. Paul's Cathedral Choir – A warm welcome awaits anyone who would like to join the Cathedral choir. Weekly Thursday evening rehearsals at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary for the Sunday 10:00am Service. Please contact Ian Sadler if you are interested in joining: sadlermusic57@gmail.com.

Our Boutique Noel at our last bazaar was a rousing success. In order for us to meet or exceed last year, we will need your help. We need gently used seasonal clothing suitable for the Christmas season. This would include sweaters and party wear. We do have lots of jewelry but any special pieces would add to the festive spirit.
Any donations can be dropped off at the office during the week or given to Ann Tonkin or Florence Perkes at church on Sundays.

Today's Liturgical Leaders

Presider – **The Reverend Dr. Dawn Davis**
Preacher – **The Very Reverend Dr. Kevin George**
Gospeller and Intercessor – **The Reverend Pat Henderson**
Organist – **Ian Sadler**
Servers – **Stephanie Allen, Pat Binnington, Doug Campbell**
Lay Administrants – **Peter Hockin, Gord Rolleston**
Greeters – **Jean Willadsen, Godwin Donkok**
Children's Ministry – **Heather Clark**
Wardens – **Greg Childs, Hazil Malone**
Live Stream – **Jade Vajna**
Sound Technician – **Daniel Aldcroft**
Bell Ringer – **Murray Hunter**

GUEST PREACHERS THIS FALL AT St. Paul's Cathedral

Danielle Tumminio-Hansen
Oct 6, 2024

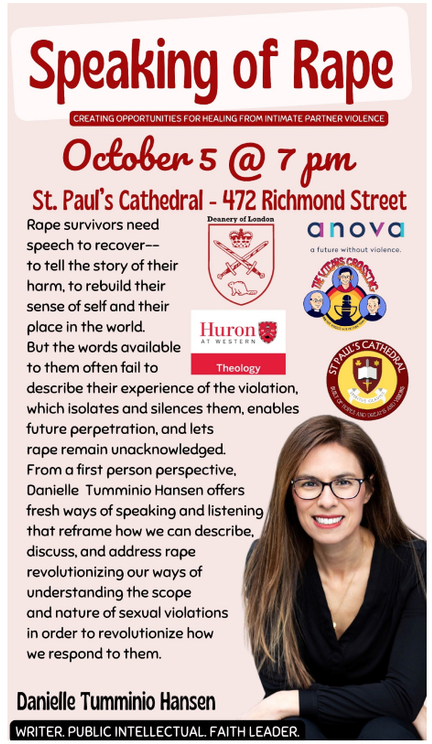
The Rev'd Dr. Tumminio-Hansen is professor at Candler School of Theology. Her current book, Trauma-Informed Spiritual Care offers a dynamic exploration of how trauma affects not just the physical and psychological lives of sufferers but also their spiritual well-being. This is a crucial resource, at once searingly honest and hopeful, that belongs on the bookshelf of every pastor, chaplain, and faith leader.

Kwok Pui-Lan
Nov 10, 2024

The Rev'd Dr Kwok Pui-Lan has devoted her life to the work of justice. Her key areas of research and writing are in Asian feminist theology and postcolonial theology. She has written or edited 21 books in English and Chinese. In town for the RT ORR Lecture at Huron University College, Dr. Kwok is excited to be joining us at St. Paul's.

Michael Coren
Nov 17, 2024

The Rev'd Michael Coren is a priest in the Niagara Diocese, an author and a columnist. He is the best-selling author of 18 books, including biographies of G.K. Chesterton, H.G. Wells, Arthur Conan Doyle, J.R.R. Tolkien, and C.S. Lewis. He has contributed to the Dictionary of National Biography and several other anthologies and is published in many countries and in more than a dozen languages



The Right Reverend Todd Townshend
Bishop of Huron
The Very Reverend Dr. Kevin George
Dean of Huron & Rector of St. Paul's Cathedral
The Venerable Sam Thomas
Senior Associate Priest/Director of Pastoral Care
The Rev'd Dr. Dawn Davis
Director of Faith Formation
The Reverend Pat Henderson
Deacon

Ian Sadler
Organist & Director of Music
Gregory Childs
Church Warden
Gord Rolleston
Church Warden
Heather Clark
Children's Ministry
Carrie Fieldhouse
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