



Christ Church  
Cathedral  
Ottawa

## Ninth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday | August 10th | 2025

10.30 am | Sung Eucharist | BAS

*St Anne Mass | James McMillan*

The flowers are given to the glory of God;  
in celebration of the baptism of Henry Julius Southern;  
and in thanksgiving for the lives of Vernon and Elsie MacKenzie, Emma Marc,  
Jean MacDonald and Doug Sandford, the late grandparent and great-grandparents of  
Violet and Sullivan Marc on the occasion of their baptism

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## Welcome

Children are welcome to fully participate in the service  
and activity sheets are available at the entrance to the Cathedral.  
Sidespeople can provide headsets for those who need hearing assistance.  
Please turn off or set mobile devices to silent mode.

*Our diocese was founded on the homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquins.  
May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

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# The Gathering of the Community

## Prelude

## Announcements

**Hymn 422** | *God, who touchest earth with beauty*

## Greeting

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

**And also with you.**

There is one body and one Spirit,

**There is one hope in God's call to us.**

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**One God and Creator of all.**

## Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

**First Reading** | *Isaiah 1:1, 10-20*

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your

hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm | 50:1-8, 23-24

*The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken and has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals the divine glory. Our God will come and will not keep silence; before whom there is a consuming flame, and round about whom a raging storm. God calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of this people. "Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice." Let the heavens declare the rightness of the divine cause; for God, God alone, is judge. "Hear, O my people, and I will speak: O Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God. I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your offerings are always before me. Consider this well, you who forget God, lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you. Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honours me; but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."*

## Second Reading | Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he

stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual** | *Laudamus te* | G.F. Handel

*Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. | We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you. We give thanks to you for your great glory.*

**Holy Gospel** | *Luke 12:32-40*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so,

blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Sermon

Hymn 458 | *Seek ye first*

### The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

#### Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*I present Henry Julius, Sullivan Sanford, and Violet Emma to receive the sacrament of baptism.*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

*I will, with God's help.*

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*I will, with God's help.*

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*I renounce them.*

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*I renounce them.*

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

*I do.*

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*I do.*

Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

*I do.*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

**We will.**

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

## Litany of the Saints | *Becker* | *Adapted to reflect the names of congregations in our Diocese*

*Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.***

*Mary the Virgin, **pray for us.** Bartholomew and Michael, **pray for us.** Columba and Julian, **pray for us.** Clare and John the Baptist, **pray for us.** Bernard and Patrick, **pray for us.** Barnabas and Helen, **pray for us.** Bede and Stephen, **pray for us.** Alban and Thomas, **pray for us.** **All you holy men and women, pray for us.***

*Paul and Lawrence, **pray for us.** Margaret and Aidan, **pray for us.** Anthony and Clement, **pray for us.** Mary Magdalene, **pray for us.** James and George, **pray for us.** John, Apostle and Evangelist, **pray for us.** Matthew and Mark, **pray for us.** Luke and All Saints, **pray for us.** **All you holy men and women, pray for us.***

*Lord, be merciful, **save your people.** From all evil, **save your people.** From every sin, **save your people.** From everlasting death, **save your people.** By your incarnation, **save your people.** By your death and resurrection, **save your people.** By your gift of the spirit, **save your people.** Have mercy on us sinners, **save your people.** **Christ, hear us. Lord Jesus, hear our prayers.***

*Lord, give your Spirit, **hear our prayer.** To these chosen, **hear our prayer.** By the grace of baptism, **hear our prayer.** O Jesus, Son of the living God, **hear our prayer.** Send your Spirit, **hear our prayer.** In its fullness, **hear our prayer.** On these your servants, **hear our prayer.** Who believe and profess you, **hear our prayer.** **Christ, hear us. Lord Jesus, hear our prayers.***

*Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.** Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy. Amen.***

## Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

## **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Creator, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

**I will, with God's help.**

## The Baptism

Henry Julius | Sullivan Sanford | Violet Emma, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

## The Giving of the Light

Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

**Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## The Peace



The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## Offertory Hymn 394 | *Eternal, unchanging*



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# The Celebration of the Eucharist

## Prayer Over the Gifts

Gracious God, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name. *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,

**who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

**Give us this bread for ever.**

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

**May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Agnus Dei

## Communion

*All are welcome to come to the altar rail. If you wish prayers for healing before receiving Communion, please carry an Order of Service with you; to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest; for a gluten-free wafer, hold out one hand; for a regular wafer, hold out two hands. Please do not dip the bread in the wine.*

### Motet | *Süße Stille, sanfte Quelle* | G.F. Handel

*Süße Stille, sanfte Quelle Ruhiger Gelassenheit! Selbst die Seele wird erfreut, Wenn ich mir nach dieser Zeit Arbeitsamer Eitelkeit Jene Ruh' vor Augen stelle, Die uns ewig ist bereit. | Sweet quiet, gentle source Of peaceful serenity! Even my soul rejoices When I, after all this time Of futile work, Contemplate the peace That awaits us for eternity.*

## The Sending of the Community

### Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### Pledge of Transformation

For love, which heals wounds,

**we will stand.**

For generosity, which opens space for hope,

**we will stand.**

For nurturing, which builds a culture of peace,

**we will stand.**

For compassion, which seeks the best for all,

**we will stand.**

For respect, which enables us to love with difference,

**we will stand.**

For humility, which allows healthy relationships with others,

**we will stand.**

Together for hope,  
**we will stand.**

## Blessing and Dismissal

May the love of the Creator, the tenderness of the Son, and the presence of the Spirit, gladden your heart, bring peace to your soul, and bless you this day and all days. **Amen.**

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 468** | *To Abraham and Sarah*

## Postlude

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Celebrant & Preacher | The Reverend Canon Doug Richards  
Readers | Peggy Morgan | Godfrey Mabaleka  
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## Readings Next Sunday | August 17<sup>th</sup>

### Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56

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