



CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

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Pentecost Altar, Christ Church Anglican, Meaford

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost **August 24, 2025 Holy Eucharist 10:30am**

Presider: The Rev. Brendon Bedford
Lay Reader: John Howard
Pianist: Cheryl Ross

Cantor: Victoria Alcock
Reader/Greeter: Katharine Peat
Server: Sarah Howard



Our Land Acknowledgement

We at Christ Church are gathered together on the territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation and commit ourselves to the hard work of reconciliation.



Our Mission Statement

Christ Church is committed to live in a generous and loving spirit in all its relationships.

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 <p>CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN MEAFORD</p>	<p>Tax receipts are provided by PayPal Giving Fund upon donation.</p>

Welcome and Announcements

Post-Covid, we have curtailed the “passing of the plate” at Christ Church. There are offering envelopes in the pews and on the table at the back of the church. We thank you for your donation to the ministry and upkeep of the parish which can be placed on the offering plate as you enter the church.

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING SENTENCE

INTROIT HYMN: Let Us with a Gladsome Mind #398 (blue hymn book)

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.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: Almighty God,

All: 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.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

All: Lord, have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Reader: A reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6

The psalm refrain is sung once by the cantor and is then repeated by the congregation.



- (1) In you, O God, have I taken refuge;
 - (2) let me never be ashamed.
 - (3) In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;
 - (4) incline your ear to me and save me. **R.**
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- (1) Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;
 - (2) you are my crag and my stronghold.
 - (3) Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
 - (4) from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. **R.**
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- (1) For you are my hope, O God,
 - (2) my confidence since I was young.
 - (3) I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
 - (3) from my mother's womb you have been my strength;
 - (4) my praise shall be always of you. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:18-29

Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Hebrews

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia #710

blue hymn book

Repeated two or three times by the congregation.



Please turn to face the Gospel reader.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 13:10-17

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia #710

blue hymn book

repeated by congregation.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

The Rev. Brendon Bedford
Rector

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED

Lay Reader: 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 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.

Please sit, stand or kneel, as is your custom.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

John Howard

Lay Reader

Please stand as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Lay Reader: 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.

Lay Reader: 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.

Please remain standing as you are able.

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace.

Remain standing, as you are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN: We Hail Thee Now, O Jesus #80
(blue hymn book)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer # 2– BAS page 196.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: (BAS, pg 196)

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
..... Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the
glory of your name.

THE SANCTUS (HOLY) - Sung

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord - #735 (blue hymn book)

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

BAS pg 197

Presider: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our
Saviour Jesus Christ;
.....
All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy
Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Said)

Presider: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD (FRACTION RITE)

Lamb Of God (Agnus Dei) said

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are welcome to receive communion at God's altar. If you are not baptized, you are very welcome to come forward to the communion rail for a blessing, indicating so by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you are interested in exploring baptism, please speak to the priest after the service.

Gluten free host (wafers) are available at the altar rail upon request.

COMMUNION HYMN

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing #306

(blue hymn book)

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Andrew, Bette, Bob, Charlie & Marg, Dave, Deanie, Doug, Fraser, Geoff, Glen & Mary, Katharine, Mary, Richard & Jane, Ted, and their families, and any others who are in need of our prayers.

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Memorial Flowers on the Altar

Flowers at the Altar today are given to the glory of God and with grateful thanks for the life and ministry of Louise and Gordon Page and son, Sandy, a gift of Francis Richardson.

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please contact Muriel Armitage, with advance notice if possible, at 519-538-2852.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, August 31, 2025, Meaford Harbour Service & Potluck
with Blessing of the Backpacks

The readings are: Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16;
Luke 14:1, 7-14.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank Cheryl Ross for her time and sharing of her talent at the piano today.

Our Mid-week Eucharistic Prayer service is every Wednesday, at 12noon in the chapel -- all are welcome to this said service.

The Free Community Breakfast is paused for the month of August & Sept 1 – resuming Monday, September 8th.

Please consider donating to the Backpack program for GBCS students as you shop for items over the summer months. A flyer of items requested is at the back of the church – feel free to take one.

Our coordinator from GBCS has asked for a specific item. If you are able, reuseable water bottles (thermoses) for secondary students would be appreciated. We are able to receive items right up to next Sunday.

Our Blessing of the Backpacks Service & Potluck is next week, Sunday, August 31st at the Meaford Waterfront under the Meaford Harbour Rotary pavilion – all are welcome! With your contribution of a small plate for the potluck, your own plate & cutlery, please bring a lawn chair, and possibly clothing or a blanket for a cooler day. We'd love to see you there.

PASTORAL CARE: For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at brendonbedford@diohuron.org or 226-974-5060.

For all other ministries, please speak to a warden or call the office at 519-538-1330 or office@christchurchanglican.ca.
