



**Morning Prayer (BAS)
September 7, 2025 at 10:00 am**

If you are joining us for the first time, welcome!
We hope you feel at home.

Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving for the Land

Opening Hymn:

“Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

Blue 585

The Welcome

Green 47

The Venite

Green 49

The Proclamation of the Word *Please be seated*

The First Reading

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Philemon's Love and Faith. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. Paul's Plea for Onesimus For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he

has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. One thing more—prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping through your prayers to be restored to you. Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow-workers. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

(Philemon 1-21)

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139: 1-5

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down,
and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue,
O LORD, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.

Gospel Proclamation *Please stand if you are comfortable doing so*

Gradual: **“Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo”**

Blue 376

Gospeler: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

Gospeler: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual: "Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo" Blue 376

Sermon: Diane Allengame

Affirmation of Faith *Please stand*

Hear, O Israel Green 53

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Offertory Hymn:

"Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said" Blue 431

Thanksgiving for the offerings

Let us pray.

God of glory, we offer you these gifts. Please bless all of our contributions to Christ's ministry here at St. James. We ask this in His name. Amen.

The Collect

Stir up, O Lord
the wills of your faithful people,
that richly bearing the fruit of good works,
we may by you be richly rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Lord's Prayer

Green 211

Announcements

Closing Hymn:

"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

Blue 425

Dismissal

May the God of Peace enable us to do his will in every kind of goodness, working in us what pleases him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

~The Flowers in the Sanctuary from last Sunday were placed by Monica Frank in memory of her parents Eunice and Chris Torbet.~

~The Flowers in the Sanctuary have been placed by Neil and Cobina Price-Jones in memory of Neil's father, Dan Price-Jones.~

Please remember in your prayers this week:

North Peel Deanery: The Rev. Theodore Hunt; the Rev. Luigi Battista and the people of Christ Church, Brampton

St. James Cycle of Prayer: Brad Teeter, Joanne Redhead, Robert and Gwenyth Redhead, David and Janice Reed, Lori and Garry Robinson

Those in need: Dana & Jeff, Mario, Linda, Hazel, Shanon, Krystyna, Betty and Mother Michelle

Announcements:

Welcome Rev. Michelle Childs-Ward Rev. Michelle has graciously agreed to cover some of the Sundays between now and the end of October, during Mother Michelle's medical leave. She will be joining us on the following dates:

September 14	Holy Communion
September 21	Holy Communion with Anointing
October 5	Holy Communion
October 12	Holy Communion with Anointing

Talent Night - Saturday October 4th Come and join us for this exciting community event, and feel free to invite your friends, family and neighbours too! Contact Grace at the church office 905-584-9635 or email her at stjamescaledoneast@toronto.anglican.ca to purchase your tickets.

The Little Food Cupboard This month the following items are required for the families in our community: **juice boxes, school snacks, cake mixes, canned meats, tuna pasta and pasta sauce.** Thanking you in advance for your generosity.



Back to School Prayer

*Loving God, thank you for the rest and relaxation
we enjoyed over the summer.*

*Today, we pray for all the children as they begin
their new school year.*

*Bless them with joy at seeing friends, excitement
at new experiences, and a love of learning and
safety for all.*

*Watch over all who learn, replacing fear with joy,
anxiety with peace, and tiredness with energy.*

*Grant teachers wisdom, patience, and joy in
serving their students.*

*In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.*



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