

THE VALLEY BULLETIN

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2025

WELCOME

If you are visiting, we welcome you into our midst.
Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey in faith, you are welcome.
It is a blessing to have you worship with us today!
The Parish of the Valley respectfully acknowledges that we gather for worship
on traditional Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.

SEASON OF CREATION

Christians around the world are invited to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation as part of the global Season of Creation, observed from September 1st to October 4th.
Adopted by General Synod in 2019, this is a time of prayer, education, and action.
It is not a liturgical season but is instead a time of intentional prayer and reflection.

Sunday September 21st:

To conclude the Intercessions: A prayer Honouring God in Creation.

Gracious God: Grant that your people may have in them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and guide us into harmony of relationship through loving-kindness and the wise use of all that you have given; for you are drawing all things into communion with you and with each other by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

BLESSING

May God who established the dance of creation,
Who marveled at the lilies of the field,
Who transforms chaos to order,
Lead us to transform our lives and the Church
To listen to the voice of all creatures
That reflect God's glory in creation.
In the name of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL for use through the Season of Creation:

As we conclude our service, I invite you to join me in dedicating ourselves to care of the Earth.

We join with the Earth and with each other

To bring new life to the land, to restore the waters, to refresh the air.

We join with the Earth and with each other

To renew the forests, to care for the plants, to protect the creatures.

We join with the Earth and with each other

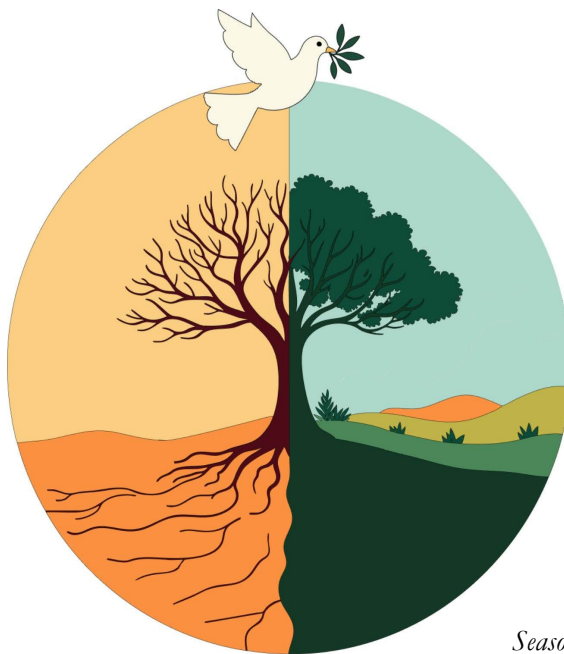
To celebrate the seas, to rejoice in the sunlight, to sing the song of the stars.

We join with the Earth and with each other

**To recreate the human community, to promote justice and peace,
to remember our children.**

We join with the Earth and with each other

**We join together as many and diverse expressions of one loving mystery:
For the healing of the Earth and the renewal of all life. Amen.**



Season of Creation 2025 logo

LET'S PRAY

In the Anglican Communion, this week we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. We pray for our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray for Shane Parker, our Primate. We pray for Anne Germond, our Metropolitan. We pray for Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop.

In our Diocese of Ottawa, we pray for Michael Bird, our Diocesan Administrator. We pray for the staff at Ascension House and the Parish of Orleans/Blackburn Hamlet.

In our Deanery of the Northwest, we pray for St. Alban the Martyr, Mattawa, part of the Parish of Mattawa-Rutherford.

In our Parish of the Valley, we pray for Matthew Brown our Incumbent; and for Gillian Hoyer, Nicholas Forte, and Christine Muise our Associate Incumbents. And for the life and members of our Parish of the Valley Community, this week we pray for: Sarah Coles, Bill & Doris Collins, Mary Conley, Doug & Liz Corrigan, Phil & Pierrette Cottrell.

For those preparing for confirmation and reception: Maria McBride, Sarah Coles, Samantha Ann Hass, Morgan Marie Hass, Isabella Dumouchel, Julie McMillan.

For those who have died and all members of their families as they grieve:
Dr. Brian Good.

For the sick, those who have asked for our prayers, and all others who are on our hearts...

Alice & Petawawa: Lynn, Wanda, Rose, Laurie, Lois, Gloria, Ronny, Patricia, Sammy, Chandra, Shane, Michael, Larry, Trent, Minnie, Scarlett, Brittany, Donna, Shawn, Gerry, Peter.

Barry's Bay & Whitney: Mary Ann, George, Poppy Joe & Penny Jane, Fred, Blake, Cathy, Susan, Patricia, Elspeth, Debra, Mary-Jayne, Fern, Shirley, Marilyn, David, Susie, Sharon, Bob.

Killaloe/Tramore & Eganville: Doreen, Heather, Jan, Harold, Richard, Dorothy, Betty, Ann, Sheila, Andrea, Sharon, Junior, Peter, Richard, Pauline, Hanna, Phyllis, Ethel, Anice, Paula, Rosemary.

Pembroke: Heather, Terry, Tristan, Jo, Iris, Elizabeth, Diane, Cate, Bill, Bob, Betty, Connie, June, Paul, Lawrence, Lomie, Bea, Jessie.

Stafford/Beachburg/Cobden: John, Jean, Margaret, Denver, Brian, Ruby, Janice, Susan, Ryan, Haley, Ruth, James, Sharon, Dave, Nicholas, Carolyn, Hillary, Ralph, Thyra, Sandra, Bill.

TODAY'S READINGS

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Jeremiah 8.18-9.1; Psalm 79.1-9; 1 Timothy 2.1-7; Luke 16.1-13

UPCOMING READINGS

September 28, 2025 - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6.6-19; Luke 16.19-31

October 5, 2025 - Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Lamentations 1.1-6; Psalm 137; 2 Timothy 1.1-14; Luke 17.5-10

OFFERINGS

We are grateful for your ongoing support of our parish's congregations. Donations can always be placed on the offering plates located at the back of the church, or can be given during the offertory in congregations where an offering plate is passed. To learn more about Pre-Authorized Remittances (PAR), options for e-transfer, or how to donate online with credit card through *Canada Helps* or [Tithe.ly](https://www.valleyanglicans.ca/tithe), please visit our website: www.ValleyAnglicans.ca

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SERVICES IN THE PARISH OF THE VALLEY

Parish-wide Service

Sunday, September 28th, 2025

10am - Holy Trinity Pembroke

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Thursday, September 25 at 10am - Country Haven (Beachburg)

Thursday, October 2 at 10:15am - Valley Manor (Barry's Bay)

Tuesday, October 7 at 10am - Heritage Manor (Pembroke)

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Pembroke Congregational Council — Wednesday, Sept 24th at 7pm on Zoom

Eganville Congregational Council — Thursday, Sept 25th at 10am in the church hall

Alice-Petawawa Council — Tuesday, Oct 7th at 7:15pm at All Saints

Eganville-Killaloe-Tramore Central Council — Tuesday, Oct 21st at 10am on Zoom

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

The Thanksgiving issue of our parish newspaper, ***Revelations***, will be published in early October. Please send submissions of stories about events that took place over the summer, events coming up in the life of your congregation, or stories related to life in our parish to revelations@valleyanglicans.ca. **Submission deadline is September 27th.**

Celebrating Confirmation & Reception in the Parish of the Valley: on Sunday, September 28th, the Rt. Rev. Dr. John Chapman, retired Bishop of Ottawa, will join our parish to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation and to formally Receive members into our worldwide Anglican Communion. There will be **one parish-wide service at 10am on Sunday, September 28th, held in Holy Trinity Pembroke.** Five adult members from across the Parish of the Valley will be confirmed by Bishop John, and several others will be received. There will be a parish-wide massed choir for this service (please bring your local choir robes) and a special time of fellowship will follow the liturgy in the church hall. All members of the Parish of the Valley are invited to come together for this special parish-wide celebration, and also to **wear orange**, as we anticipate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This will be the only service in the Parish of the Valley on this day.

Cheers to 100 Years!

While Holy Trinity has a history dating back to 1855, it was 100 years ago in June that the cornerstone was laid for the current church. Join us to celebrate this significant milestone on **Saturday, September 27, 2025**, when we will gather in the church hall to share a special anniversary dinner. Refreshments will be served beginning at 5pm with dinner following at 6pm. Tickets are now sold out. Holy Trinity is very grateful for the incredible support this event has received from across our Parish of the Valley. We look forward to welcoming ticket holders to dinner on September 27th!

Our next **Food Bank Sunday** will be Thanksgiving Sunday, **October 12th**. Please consider bringing donations to our local food banks to church that day and we will give thanks for them and bring them to our local food banks during the week.

Looking for a pause for **reflection and spiritual refreshment** in the middle of your week? Join the Parish of the Valley each **Wednesday at 10am for a said service of Holy Eucharist** at Holy Trinity, Pembroke.

CLERGY TEAM

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