SEASON OF CREATION

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



A Celebration of Confirmation & Reception

Parish of the Valley Sunday, September 28th, 2025 10:00 A.M.

WORDS OF WELCOME - The Reverend Matthew Brown

PLEASE STAND for the entrance procession.

Order of Procession

Crucifer
Candlebearers
Gospel Server
The Parish of the Valley Clergy Team
Bishop John Chapman

Processional Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty - 1 CP

- Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
 Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
 holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
 God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2. Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.
- 4. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
 All thy works shall praise thy name
 in earth and sky and sea;
 holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
 God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Bishop Dear friends, we gather for worship on traditional Anishinabe Algonquin territory.

People May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

Bishop 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.

Bishop There is one body and one Spirit,

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People One God and Father of all.

Children's Time and Song

Children are invited to join Bishop Chapman at the front of the sanctuary for a commissioning. As they depart for Sunday School we stand and sing:

Give Me Oil - 130 SGP

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving, give me love in my heart, I pray; give me love in my heart, keep me serving, keep me serving till the break of day.

Refrain

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King of kings! Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Bishop Grant, O merciful God,

that your Church,

being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples,

to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Reader A reading from the book of Jeremiah

Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 6-15

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, 'Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the LORD: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;

Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Meriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Reader Holy word, Holy wisdom.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16

Incumbent He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

People abides under the shadow of the Almighty.

Incumbent He shall say to the Lord,

"You are my refuge and my stronghold,

People my God in whom I put my trust."

Incumbent He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter

People and from the deadly pestilence.

Incumbent He shall cover you with his pinions,

and you shall find refuge under his wings;

People his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.

Incumbent You shall not be afraid of any terror by night,
People nor of the arrow that flies by day;

Incumbent Of the plague that stalks in the darkness,

People nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.

Incumbent Because he is bound to me in love,

therefore will I deliver him;

People I will protect him, because he knows my name.

Incumbent He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;

People I am with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and bring him to honour.

Incumbent With long life will I satisfy him,

People and show him my salvation.

Reader A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy

1 Timothy 6.6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader Holy word, Holy wisdom.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN Please stand.

From the Waters of Creation - 25 SNC

From the waters of creation to the shores of Galilee, in each river sweeping onward there's a promise we can see.

All who search for life in fullness, all who long for dignity: come and drink now— don't be thirsty. God's grace ever will flow free.

From the parting of the waters to the Jordan's ancient tide, in the font, forever rising, there's a love that will abide.

All who yearn for gentle mercy, all who seek community: come and wash now — don't be lonely. God's grace ever will flow free.

From the streams that Amos visioned to the pool where Jesus healed, in the wells we build together there's a dream that is revealed: we will work for hope and justice; we will live in unity.

Come and share now — don't be fearful. God's grace ever will flow free.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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

People (sung) Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 16.19-31

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People (sung) Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMOII The Right Reverend Dr. John Chapman

Instrumental Meditation after the sermon: Come Down, O Love Divine - 645 CP

Presentation & Examination of the Candidates

The presenters say to the bishop,

we present Sarah, Isabella, Morgan, Samanth and Maria for confirmation, and Julie and

Beverley to be received into this Communion.

The bishop asks those who have been presented to renew their baptismal commitment,

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Response I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Response I do.

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

Response I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Saviour and Lord.

After all have been presented, the bishop addresses the congregation, saying,

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in

Christ?

People We will.

Bishop Let us join with those who commit themselves again to Christ and renew our own baptismal

covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

People 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.

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

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

prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

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

Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

being?

People I will, with God's help.

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

life of the Earth?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop Let us pray for those who are affirming their baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere,

saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

A person appointed leads the following litany.

Leader That they may be redeemed from all evil

and rescued from the way of sin and death;

in your mercy,

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts

to your grace and truth;

in your mercy,

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader That they may be kept

in the faith and communion of your holy Church;

in your mercy,

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader That they be sent into the world

in witness to your love;

in your mercy,

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader That they may be brought

to the fullness of your peace and glory;

in your mercy,

People Lord, hear our prayer.

CONFIRMATION & RECEPTION

Bishop Into your hearts, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy,

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence is kept.

Bishop Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you

have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The bishop lays his hand upon each one and says,

For Confirmation

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N* with your Holy Spirit; empower her for your service; and sustain her all the days of her life. **Amen.**

For Reception

N, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

Then the bishop says,

Bishop Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your

Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ

our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand, and the Bishop addresses the people.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The proceeds of today's open offering will benefit the Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF) Indigenous Responsive Grant Fund, supporting Indigenous communities across Canada. If you desire a charitable tax receipt please fill out a special envelope for Alongside Hope, available beside the offering plate.

OFFERTORY HYMI

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty - 384 CP

- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation: all ye who hear, brothers and sisters draw near, praise him in glad adoration.
- 2. Praise to the Lord,
 who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
 shelters thee under his wings,
 yea, so gently sustaineth:
 hast thou not seen
 how thy entreaties have been
 granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3. Praise to the Lord,
 who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
 surely his goodness and mercy
 here daily attend thee:
 ponder anew
 what the Almighty can do,
 if with his love he befriend thee.

- 4. Praise to the Lord,
 who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
 who, when the elements madly
 around thee are raging,
 biddeth them cease,
 turneth their fury to peace,
 whirlwinds and waters assuaging.
- 5. Praise to the Lord,
 who when darkness of sin is abounding,
 who when the godless do triumph,
 all virtue confounding,
 sheddeth his light,
 chaseth the horrors of night,
 saints with his mercy surrounding.
- 6. Praise to the Lord!
 O let all that is in me adore him!
 All that hath life and breath
 come now with praises before him!
 Let the Amen
 sound from his people again:
 gladly for aye we adore him.

Prayer over the Gifts

Bishop Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory.

Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Bishop The Lord be with you. And also with you. People

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. People

Bishop Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise

our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

All (sung) 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.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming again in glory;

Bishop

All (sung)

Bishop

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

10 - SGP

Bishop As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

All (Sung) Our Father, who art in heav'n,

hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heav'n.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom and the pow'r and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Bishop We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei:

Led by the choir Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Music: J. Mayhew Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

Grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION

Bishop The gifts of God for the People of God.

All Thanks be to God.

Everyone who has been baptized is welcome to receive Holy Communion.

In the Anglican tradition, receiving in one kind (either bread or wine) is considered to be complete Communion. Please do not dip the bread into the wine. For those who are unable to approach the altar, a standing communion station is located next to the pulpit.

Choral music during Communion: 649 & 60 CP

Choir Anthem: Holy Trinity Anniversary Anthem by Sarah Coles

Prayer after Communion

Bishop Let us pray.

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this

in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Bishop 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.

Blessing for the Season of Creation

Go forth now to care for God's world. Use resources wisely. Share your knowledge.

Sacrifice where necessary.

Live in harmony with all creation.

Go out into the world as prophets of a new way of living and preach the good news to all.

And the blessing of God the Creator, the Risen Son, and the Holy Spirit bless you,

That you might be a blessing to others

Today and always. Amen.

Dismissal

Bishop Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit

People Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN

Come Join the Dance of Trinity - 56 SNC

- Come, join the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun the interweaving of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son. The universe of space and time did not arise by chance, but as the Three, in love and hope, made room within their dance.
- Come, see the face of Trinity, newborn in Bethlehem; then bloodied by a crown of thorns outside Jerusalem.
 The dance of Trinity is meant for human flesh and bone; when fear confines the dance in death, God rolls away the stone.
- 3. Come, speak aloud of Trinity, as wind and tongues of flame set people free at Pentecost to tell the Saviour's name.

 We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth; go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
- 4. Within the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun, we sing the praises of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son.
 Let voices rise and interweave, by love and hope set free, to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trinity.

Postlude - Organ

All are invited to stay after the service to share in a reception: coffee, tea and refreshments will be available downstairs in the church hall.

The flowers on the altar are offered to the glory of God and in memory of Violet and Gordon Garrett by Russell & Diane Garrett and Sheila & Kevin Gordon, as well as the families of Sarah Garrett and Kerith & Devin Gordon, including Alexis Gibb, Myles & Lillian Gordon, Eve & Garrrett Aston.

LEADERSHIP IN LITURGY

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher
The Right Reverend Dr. John Chapman

Readers

The Reverend Dr. Beverley A. Nitschke, Julie McMillan

Gospeller & Intercessor

The Reverend Christine Muise

Candlebearers

Charles Cheesman, Dawn Price-Rakai

Crucifer

Brett Weckworth

Gospel Server

Dekota Risser

Chalice Bearers

Naomi de Repentigny, Maggie Jacques

Preparing the Table

The Reverend Matthew Brown

Bishop's Chaplain

The Reverend Nicholas Forte

Greeters

Pat & Ron Needham

Sunday School Leaders

The Reverend Gillian Hoyer, Ryan Paulsen, Rebecca Paulsen

Organist

Paula Lundrigan

Reception Convenor

Maggie Jacques, supported by all members of the parish.

Parish of the Valley Clergy Team

Incumbent Associate Incumbents

The Reverend Matthew Brown The Reverend Nicholas Forte

The Reverend Gillian Hoyer

The Reverend Christine Muise

Confirmation & Reception in the Parish of the Valley September 28th, 2025

Candidates for Confirmation

Sarah Coles

Isabella Dumouchel

Samantha Ann Hass

Morgan Marie Hass

Maria McBride

Candidates for Reception

Julie McMillan

The Reverend Dr. Beverley A. Nitschke

Holy Trinity, Pembroke
St. John the Evangelist, Eganville
All Saints, Petawawa
St. George's, South Alice
Ascension, Killaloe
St. John's, Tramore
St. Paul's, Cobden
St. Stephen's, Micksburg
St. Patrick's, Lower Stafford
St. Thomas, Rankin
Epiphany, Barry's Bay

Chapels

St. Anthony's, Whitney

St. Augustine's, Beachburg
St. Clement's, Clontarf
Holy Trinity, Madawaska

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