



## *Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

October 5, 2025

10:30 am

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*The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron*

*The Venerable Rob Lemon, Rector*

*The Reverend Canon Tom Patterson, Deacon*

*The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson, Deacon*

*The Reverend Allie McDougall, Vicar*

*The Reverend Diana Boland, Curate*

*The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate*

*Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music*

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude *Prelude on 'My Soul Rejoices' – S. Karg-Elert*

Processional Hymn #496 *Teach Me, My God and King*

Grace *BAS p. 185*

### Land Acknowledgement

*Celebrant* We gather here today on the ancestral hunting grounds of the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee and Attawandaron peoples, in the territory of the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum and the Huron Tract Treaty.

*People* **From many places and peoples, we come together as one for prayer and worship.**

*Celebrant* We acknowledge the injustices that Indigenous Peoples have endured since colonization.

*People* **We commit ourselves to justice and reconciliation.**

*Celebrant* We honour Indigenous Peoples' wise stewardship of land and water.

*People* **We will strive to sustain and renew the life of the earth. Amen**

Collect for Purity *BAS p. 185*

*Gloria* #686

The Collect of the Day

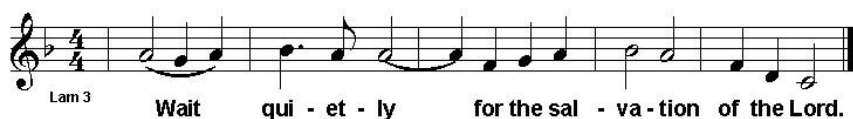
## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Lamentations 1: 1-6 *Jack Nahrgang*

Psalm

Lamentations 3: 19-26

*Cantor: Dianne Gaffney*



Second Reading

2 Timothy 1: 1-14

*Rick Falshaw*

Gradual Hymn #501

*Through All the Changing Scenes*

The Gospel

Luke 17: 5-10

*Deacon:*

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

*People:*

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

*At the conclusion of the Gospel:*

*Deacon:*

The Gospel of Christ.

*People:*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Sermon

*The Ven. Rob Lemon*

Anthem:

*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring – J.S. Bach*

(Rebekah Lemon, oboe)

Nicene Creed

*BAS p. 188*

Prayers of the People

*Lori Colbeck*

*Response:* **Lord Hear Our Prayer**

Grow in Grace Prayer (*said together*)

Bookmark

Confession

p. 191

The Peace

*BAS p. 192*

Peal of the Bells

*Peter Ryde*

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn #57                      *Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist*

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #2                      *BAS p. 196*

*Sanctus and Benedictus*                      #689

The Lord's Prayer                      *BAS p. 211*

Breaking of the Bread #2                      *BAS p. 212*

*Agnus Dei*                      #690

### The Communion

*All Christians of any age are welcome to receive communion with this community of God's people. Gluten-free wafers are available. You are invited to drink from the common cup. If you are uncomfortable drinking from the cup, you may pass by the chalice bearer or stop and touch the cup or bow your head briefly. If you are not receiving communion but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.*

Communion Hymn #79                      *To You, O Kindly Jesus Christ*

### Communion Motet:

*Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord – F. Mendelssohn*

Prayer After Communion

Doxology                      *BAS p. 214*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #577                      *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Dismissal

Postlude                      *Ostinato on 'Pax Vobiscum' – S. Karg-Elert*

The flowers on the Altar today  
are given to the Glory of God  
in loving memory of:  
~**Major Gary Bart CD** ~  
by his wife Eileen and  
children Troy, Kelly & Family.

## **NOTICES FOR OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup>**

### **Capital Campaign Progress Update**

Progress Update: We've raised \$340 560 and that is 47% of the goal—thank you for your generosity and prayers. If you have not heard from a campaign member, you will shortly.

### **Food Bank Wish List**

Sadly, food insecurity is still rising. In September, our Food Bank had the busiest month ever, by far. We assisted 223 people, 84 of them children.

We purchase most of the non-perishable foods and fresh fruits and vegetables that we provide, so money donations are vitally important. You can donate by cheque to St. James Anglican Church or by e-transfer to [treasurer@stjamesstratford.ca](mailto:treasurer@stjamesstratford.ca), "Food Bank" in the memo space.

Many thanks for your wonderful support!

### **Thanksgiving Decorations**

The Chancel Guild is looking for some Thanksgiving decorations for the church. If you have fruit or vegetables that you are willing to donate to be used in the decorations and then later donated to the foodbank, please bring it in and leave it on the counter in the Sacristy. The decorating will be done on the morning of October 10th.

## Focus Library

Stewardship in the widest sense and in service of the Grow in Grace Campaign is the main focus of the new selection from the library. Perhaps as a change of pace there is also a collection of women mystics and writers on that subject on offer.

## Men's Breakfast – Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup>

YES, there is an October Men's Breakfast -Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup>. Juice/coffee and tea available at 815 am. A full breakfast served for 830 am. Free will offering taken. Please come again and join this great time! Good food and the best fellowship... 😊  
If you want to help us. Please notify me-  
Wade @ [wtphibbs@hotmail.com](mailto:wtphibbs@hotmail.com). See you all soon!!

## Off-Street Parking: Removing Barriers

As part of our *Grow in Grace* campaign, St. James is pursuing up to seven off-street parking spots along Hamilton Street, including one accessible space near the ramp.

This project serves two goals: making it easier for parishioners with limited mobility (especially in winter) and easing congestion on our narrow street so neighbours can exit their driveways safely.

Progress & Costs: The matter has been discussed with Fraser Paving and engaged an engineer at MTE. The Grow In Grave campaign has set aside \$40,000 to create off-street parking. Currently, the parish is working with the city to arrive at an acceptable plan. Find a rendering of the concept below.



## **Building and Property Updates-**

There has been lots going on in the background over the summer and it will continue in the Fall.

Trees- Tree trimming will be done on many trees across the property later this Fall possibly in November.

Eavestrough repairs- Some of the eavestroughs will be repaired this Fall as well. There was significant damage from a large piece of ice to the eavestroughs by the side door off Hamilton Street.

Nave Flooring- As you may have noticed previously damaged tiles located near the grand piano in the Church have been repaired. The Piano also had new dolly wheels put on it. Excellent work!

Sacristy/Ramp entrance steps- a badly damaged step has been nicely repaired.

HVAC Compound off William street- the area has been cleared out - it had a lot of junk in there- all has been disposed off.

Tower- updates have been regularly given- but all the masonry work is complete and scaffolding will be taken down in the next month or so. Work continues now on metal work and also the south foundation wall.

South roof project- Pow Engineering has provided a revised cost.

As you can see our Building committee has worked hard to keep our property and building safe and in good repair.

Thank you to Terry Marklevitz and his committee for all they have done and will continue to do. We save a lot of money by having a great crew who do many jobs as volunteers. On behalf of the Church, we are very thankful for this group!

(Wade Phibbs – Warden)

## **ACW OCTOBER MEETING – THURSDAY OCT. 16th**

Coffee - 10:00 a.m.

Meeting - 10:30 a.m.

Luncheon - 12 noon.

RSVP Carol Boone 519-273-2272, clboone46@gmail.com  
or sign up at back of church

## **Jazz Vespers - Sunday October 19 at 4 p.m.**

Musicians: The Steve Holowitz Trio

Paul Stevenson-trumpet

Greg Mainprize-percussion

Steve Holowitz-piano.

## **Upcoming Readings – Sunday October 12th**

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7     Luke 17: 11-19

Psalm 66: 1-11     Chancel Team #2

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Oct. 6 -             \*Bridge Builder's Group Meeting at 2:00 p.m. in the Club Room

Oct. 7 -             \*St. James Community Foodbank – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall

                       \*Reconciliation Book Club at 7:00 p.m. in the Club Room

Oct. 8 -             \*Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. BCP Service

                       \*Christian Meditation at 4:30 p.m. in the Nave

                       \*English Conversation Café at 6:30 p.m. at the YMCA

Oct. 9 -             \*Celtic Worship Service on ZOOM at 10:00 a.m.

                       \*Choir Practice at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Oct. 10 -            \*Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room

                       \*The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12:00 p.m.

Oct. 11 -            \*Men's Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Lower Hall

                       \*Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave

Oct. 12 -            \*Holy Communion BCP Service at 8:30 a.m.

                       \*Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.