



CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

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Christ Church Memorial War Window

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost **Sunday, November 16, 2025 Holy Eucharist** **10:30am**

Presider: The Rev. Brendon Bedford, Rector
Homilist & Lay Reader: John Howard
Organist: Julian Delf

Reader: Victoria Alcock
Cantor: John Howard
Server: Lynn McTaggart
Greeter: Gene Latour



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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Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING SENTENCE

INTROIT HYMN Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies #5 (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 GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO (Glory to God in the Highest)

(#702 blue hymn book)

All: Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Please be seated.

Children's Corner

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ISAIAH 12 (AS CANTICLE)

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



- (1) Surely it is God who saves me;
- (2) I will trust in God and not be afraid.
- (1) For the Most High is my stronghold and my sure defence,
- (2) and God will be my Saviour.
- (3) Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
- (4) from the springs of salvation. **R.**
- (1) And on that day you shall say,
- (2) Give thanks to the Most High and call upon God's name;
- (3) make God's deeds known among the peoples;
- (4) see that they remember that God's name is exalted. **R.**
- (1) Sing the praises of the Most High, for God has done great things,
- (2) and this is known in all the world.
- (3) Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
- (4) for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Reader: A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia #710

Repeated by congregation.



Please turn to face the Gospel reader.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

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.**

After the Gospel is read.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia #710

As before, repeated by congregation.

Please be seated.

HOMILY

John Howard

Lay Reader

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 or stand, as you're able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

John Howard

Lay Reader

Please stand as you're 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 stand 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: How Firm a Foundation #527 (tune #393)
(blue hymn book)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer #2 (BAS, pg 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: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your
beloved Son, Jesus Christ,

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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;

Presider: All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy
Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

#684 (blue hymn book)

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

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) sung

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.

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 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #486

(blue hymn book)

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE DOXOLOGY (Said)

All: **Glory to God, 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.**

THE FINAL BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN God, Whose Almighty Word #560
(blue hymn book)

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

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Psalm from In the Midst of the Congregation, Psalms for Worship, George Black; Lamb of God, David Clark Isele

This Week's Prayer List

(We invite you to hold all on our list in your prayers for the coming week.)

The Diocese: We hold in our prayers the people and clergy of: St. Peter's, Tyrconnell; Grace Church, West Lorne; Christ Church, Amherstburg; Trinity, Cottam.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: Marion Turner, John Watchurst, Howie Wheeler and their families as well as all those serving in the Canadian Armed Forces at home and overseas.

The Wider Church: We hold in our prayers the clergy and people of the Diocese of Jerusalem; the clergy and people of Bath Abbey and St. Giles, Cripplegate, UK, as well as bishop Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury-designate.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Charlie & Marg, Deanie, Doug, Fraser, Gord, Katharine, Ted, and their families, and any others who are in need of our prayers.

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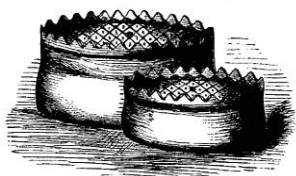
Memorial Flowers on the Altar

We give thanks today for the life and ministry of past members of the Chancel Guild

NEXT WEEK

November 23, 2024, The Reign of Christ & Patronal Feast

The readings are: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Canticle 19 (Luke 1:68-79);
Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43.



SIMNEL CAKES

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After this service, stay for lunch and a celebratory cake, to celebrate our community of faith and view many items and photos that reflect more than a century and a half of our shared faith story.

You're invited to bring your own photos and items connected to Christ Church's community to show and share!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

After the service, please join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall and enjoy some coffee/tea/juice and treats.

The Midweek Eucharist (said) is offered **every Wednesday at 12:00noon** in the chapel, **followed by a Bible study at 1:00pm**. We are now studying the First Letter of John (also called 1 John). You may wish to bring a bible and a lunch if attending both.

Upcoming Advent Project

Not a Bible study; not a discussion group; just hearing Good News, together.

On Wednesdays, we will begin to read the entire Gospel of Luke from start to finish. Spread the word. **Wednesdays at 1:00PM beginning November 26th**. See posters on bulletin boards.

Cookie Exchange - On Advent 3, Laetare Sunday, which is December 14th, we invite you to bring in your favourite homemade cookies to exchange with another contributor. Details will be provided in the next eblast, so get out your favourite Anna Olson, Mary Berg or Bruno (The Great Canadian Baking Show) recipe, or maybe one from a parent, grandparent or sibling and get baking!

Fairmount Bake Sale – Saturday, November 22nd at Meaford Golf Course, Ridge Road, from 10:00am to 1:00pm. All proceeds support St. James' Anglican, Fairmount. See posters on bulletin boards.

FOR PASTORAL CARE:

For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at 226-974-5060 or brendonbedford@diohuron.org. Re all other ministries, questions or concerns, please call the Church office at 519-538-1330 or office@christchurchanglican.ca.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sound Investment Community Choir presents Christmas Time, Saturday, November 27 at 7:30pm at New Life Church, 28 Tracey Lane Collingwood. See posters on bulletin boards. Tickets \$25 – from L. Bernard/Christ Church choir.