



**Order of Service for July 5, 2025**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Celebration of Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.**  
**Celebrating: The Rev'd Tony Hilling**  
**Assisting: The Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak**



**St. Paul's  
Anglican Church**  
*Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace*



**Come to me, all you that are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest  
Matthew 11:28**

**Pre-Service Music:** Unto Thee O Lord (Please join in this time of worship, as we prepare for the Service.)

## **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Processional Hymn:** I Have Decided to Follow Jesus (screens)

**Greeting** . . . . . p 185 (Book of Alternative Services - Green book) (screens)

**The Collect for Purity** . . . . . p. 185 (screens)

**Glory to God** . . . . . p. 186 (screens)

**Kyrie Eleison** . . . . . p. 186 (screens)

**Collect of the Day** . . . p. 366 (screens)

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

### **The First Reading**

#### **A reading from the book of Genesis**

Eliezer said, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.' Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter, are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my

master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left." And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus, the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So, she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So, Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

**Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67**

**Reader:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 45:11-18**... p. 763 (screens)

### **The Epistle Reading**

#### **A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans**

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in

my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**Romans 7:15-25a**

**Reader:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**Gradual Hymn:** Create in Me a Clean Heart (screens)

### The Holy Gospel

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And also, with you.*

**Leader:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

**Gospel Acclamation:** The Alleluia (sung)

Jesus said, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

**Leader:** The Gospel of Christ.

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

**Gospel Acclamation:** The Alleluia (sung)

### **Homily**

**The Apostle's Creed** . . . . . p. 189 (screens)

**The Prayers of the People** (screens) (The people sit or kneel for the prayers)

**Confession and Absolution** . . . p. 191 (screens)

**The Peace** . . . p. 192 (screens)

### The Celebration of the Eucharist

**Offertory Hymn:** The Heart of Worship (screens)

**Prayer over the Gifts.** . . . p. 367 (screens)

**Eucharistic Prayer # 3....** p. 198 (screens)

**Proper Preface for Lord's Day 1...** 218 (screens)

**The Lord's Prayer** form 1. .... p. 211 (screens)

**The Breaking of the Bread,** Form 1.p. 212 (screens)

**Agnus Dei** (screens)

**The Communion** . . . . . p. 213 (screens)

**Communion Hymns:** (screens)

The Old Country Church

Kum Bah Yah

In Moments Like These

**Hymn after Communion** (Please stand) Just a Closer Walk With Thee (screens)

**Prayer after Communion** ...p. 367 (screens)

**Doxology** . . . . . p. 214 (screens)

### **The Blessing**

**Announcements** (screens)

**Closing Hymn:** I Saw the Light (screens)

### **Sending**

You're invited to join us for Coffee, right after the Service, in the Hall.

### Traditional Land Acknowledgement

**Creator, you made all people of every land. In the spirit of respect and truth, we honour the traditional Treaty 7 territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy, including the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani Nations, the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley Nations, and the Tsuu T'ina Nation. We acknowledge the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region Three. In the spirit of reconciliation and because we are all treaty people, we also acknowledge all people who make their homes in the traditional Treaty 7 territory of Southern Alberta.**

## Prayers for this Week

*(bold italics indicate new or special emphasis this week)*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for ***the Anglican Church of South America***. In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle, we pray for ***The Rt. Rev. David Greenwood, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Athabasca***. In the Lutheran Church, we pray ***the congregations of the northern area of the Saskatchewan Synod***. In the Moravian Church we pray for ***the July 6 anniversary of the martyrdom of Jan Hus in 1415 – we remember, not his death, but his faithful witness, even unto death***. Together: ***Lutheran, Anglican, and Moravian summer camping ministries***.

In our **Diocesan Cycle**, we pray for ***St. Clement, Balzac and their Wardens and Search Committee***. We also pray for ***the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer***. We lift to you our friends in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands. We pray for ***Cathedral Church of St. George (Parish of St. George & St. Andrew) with Transfiguration, the Ascension and Holy Redeemer and their Incumbent The Very Rev. Samuel Nichols***.

In our **Parish Cycle**, we pray today for our clergy Tony Hilling, Betty Nadurak, Cyril Haynes, Sean Devlin, Garry MacDowall and their families. . **Heavenly Father**, giver of life and health, comfort and strengthen those of our parish who are sick, injured or distressed, and those approaching or recovering from surgery, especially we lift up to you: Ari; Andrea; Dorothy Ann; Robbie; Patrick; Josh; Bob & Joanne; Michael; Scott; Kerin; Obiageli Gloria.

**For those grieving:** the family of Iona Shaw. **We thank you** for your healing touch which sustains us every day; and for the many healings that have taken place in our parish, and your unending mercy as you hear our prayers.

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**We pray especially** for the work of Alongside Hope and its partners in Canada and around the world.

**We pray for all those whose lives have been thrown in turmoil** by storms, floods, fires, famine, or other climate disasters. We remember all who are struggling economically. Please help us all to stand together in hard times.

**We pray for** the Indigenous Peoples of this land. We give thanks for the immeasurable privilege of sharing the journey of life together. **We pray for** forgiveness for the terrible harm inflicted by Residential Schools, for the racism that still infects our hearts and is an open wound in our country; for an end to all forms of prejudice and bigotry; for justice; for reconciliation, and new paths forward that honour all God's precious children.

**We pray for** peace and justice in our own country and throughout the world. We remember the people of Ukraine, the Holy Land, USA, Nigeria, and all whose lives have been torn apart by violence. We pray for safe haven for over 80 million people in the world whom violence has forced to flee their homes.

**We stand in** solidarity with all whose lives have been devastated by human evil, and all seeking to make the world as it ought to be. **We pray for** protection and guidance for all in law enforcement or our military in danger at home or overseas. May your Holy Spirit guide world leaders to seek just resolutions to all conflicts, that all people may come to know your peace that passes all understanding and war be no more.



The flowers on the altar are given  
to the glory of our risen Lord.