



**Order of Service for August 16, 2026**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Celebration of Holy Eucharist 10 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*



**Oh, how good and pleasant  
it is when brethren live  
together in unity  
Psalm 133: 1**

**Pre-Service Music:** Come, Now is the Time to Worship (Please join in this time of worship, as we prepare for the Service.)

## **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Processional Hymn:** CP # 387 All Praise to Thee (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. 374 (screens)

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

### **The First Reading**

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

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for

you there - since there are five more years of famine to come - so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honoured in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

**Genesis 45:1-15**

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

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

**Psalms 133** p.890 (screens)

### **The Epistle Reading**

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

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew, for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

**Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

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

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

**Gradual Hymn:** CP # 519 The Lord's My Shepherd (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)

[Then Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what

comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

### **Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28**

**Leader:** The Gospel of Christ.

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

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

### **Homily**

**The Apostles 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:** Be Not Afraid (screens)

**Prayer over the Gifts.** . . . p. 375 (screens)

**Eucharistic Prayer 6** (screens).... p. 207

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

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

**Agnus Dei** (screens)

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

**Communion Hymns:** (screens)

CP # 73 One Bread, One Body

Mary Did you Know?

He is Lord

**Hymn after Communion** (Please stand) Freely, Freely (screens)

**Prayer after Communion** ...p. 375 (screens)

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

**The Blessing**

**Announcements** (screens)

**Closing Hymn:** CP # 375 At the Name of Jesus (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 Church in Wales***. In the Anglican-Lutheran Prayer Cycle, we pray for ***The Rt. Rev. Naboth Manzongo Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Rupert's Land***. In the Lutheran Church, we pray for ***the dean, council, and congregations of the West Central Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories***. In the Moravian Church we pray ***Remembering August 21 – in 1732, just five years after finding their common purpose in Christ, the community in Herrnhut sent out its first two missionaries to St. Thomas, where they bore witness to the gospel among enslaved Africans working on plantations***.

In our Diocesan Cycle, we pray for ***St. Barnabas, Calgary*** and their clergy ***The Rev. Kersi Bird and The Rev. Deacon Marcus Herrel, also, for Alongside Hope and its Diocesan and Parish reps***.

We lift to you our friends in our Companion Diocese, the Windward Islands. We pray for ***St. Paul, Calliaqua (kal-ee-a-kwa) with St. John, Belair, on St. Vincent and their Incumbent The Rev. Canon Ashton Francis***.

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: Wanda; Ari & Valma; Andrea; Dorothy Ann; Robbie; Patrick; Josh; Bob & Joanne; Michael; Scott; Kerin; Obiageli Gloria.

**For those grieving:** the Brisbin family, 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 by Katrina, Theo, Tim and Anja in loving memory of Arji Langstraat beloved husband, father and Opa.