



HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH STRATFORD, ONTARIO

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday September 13, 2026

11:00 am

The Right Reverend Dr. Todd Townshend, Bishop of Huron

The Venerable Rob Lemon, Rector

The Venerable Tanya Phibbs, Associate Rector

The Reverend Canon Tom Patterson, Deacon

The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson, Deacon

The Reverend Tianna Gocan, Curate

Joel West, Children, Youth & Family Ministry Coordinator

Ian Sadler, Organist and Director of Music

Neil F. Young, Contemporary Musician

Peter Ryde, Chimer

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude *Be Thou But Near - J.S. Bach*

Processional Hymn #567 *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

The 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 Exodus 14: 19-31 *Wendy Riehl*

Psalm 114 *Cantor: Marilyn Smith*



Second Reading Romans 14: 1-12 *Sherry LeSouder*

Gradual Hymn #403 *Let All Things Now Living*

The Gospel Matthew 18: 21-35
Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Matthew.

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: *O Come Ye Servants of the Lord - Christopher Tye*

Nicene Creed *BAS p. 188*

Prayers of the People *Pat Martin*

Response: **Lord Hear Our Prayer**

Confession and Absolution *BAS p. 191*

The Peace

Peal of the Bells *Peter Ryde*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn #646

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #1

BAS p. 193

Sanctus and Benedictus

#689

The Lord's Prayer

BAS p. 211

Breaking of the Bread #3

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 #66

And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love

Prayer After Communion

Doxology

BAS p. 214

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #330

O Praise Ye the Lord

Dismissal

Postlude:

Toccata in g minor - Gabriel Pierné

The flowers on the Altar today
are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of my parents:
~ **Walter & Florence Gladding** ~
by Nancy McCallum

NOTICES FOR SEPTEMBER 13th



ACW Ham Luncheon & Meeting

JOIN US for our first meeting of our fall schedule September 17, 2026.

JOIN US as we Renew our friendships.

JOIN US as we Review Who We Are and What We Do.

JOIN US as we Decide What our Role is.

JOIN US as we shape the Future of our ACW.

JOIN US for a Free Lunch and an exciting meeting,

Everyone is welcome.

- 10:00-Coffee & Chat 10:30-Brief Meeting
- 11:00 - Decisions to be made Noon - Lunch in the Lower Hall

RSVP - Karen Haslam - 273-5398, (so we can prepare enough food).

Holy Trinity Community Food Bank on the Move!

The Holy Trinity Community Food Bank will be re-locating to the Holy Trinity Chapel & Outreach Centre (9 Douro Street) effective September 22nd. The hours will remain 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. every Tuesday morning.

Christian Meditation Has Resumed

If you or someone you know has expressed an interest in Christian Meditation, please join us on Saturday mornings at 10:30 at the back of the Church. Please enter by the north narthex door. For further information contact Nancy McCallum at 519-273-0297.

Men's Breakfast – Saturday September 19th

YES- exciting news- the first Men's breakfast of our season is coming up soon!!

-WHEN- Saturday September 19th

-WHERE- Holy Trinity- lower hall

-WHEN- If you wish to help in the kitchen- come for 7:15 a.m.

-If you wish to come early and chat - enjoy coffee/tea and/or juice- come for 8:15 a.m. FOOD is served at 8:30 a.m.

Invite a friend- anyone who could, would and SHOULD join us! FREE-WILL offering accepted for cost of food. COME experience the best breakfast in Perth County- and even better conversation. See YOU there! IF YOU could help before or after in the kitchen/clean up- let Wade know ASAP. REMINDER our October breakfast date is one week later then normal - Saturday Oct. 24th!

Save the date - Server Training on September 20th

Have you ever wondered what serving at the Lord's altar is like? Are you looking for a way to participate in the liturgy in a new way? Have you ever wanted a closer look at what the Eucharist is all about? Join us after the 11am service on September 20th to learn more, receive training, and join the crew of servers here at Holy Trinity!

H.A.R.T. Game Social Evening

When: September 23rd, 2026 at 6:30pm – 8:30 – 9pm

Where: Holy Trinity Church, Lower Hall

What to bring: a snack and game to share, and a beverage for yourself

Who: Adults only this time, family event coming soon!

How: drop in and join us! No need to RSVP.

Save the Date – Outreach Lunch Sunday September 27th

Our first Outreach Lunch after the summer break will be Sunday September 27th following the 11:00 a.m. service in the Lower Hall. Proceeds will benefit Alongside Hope (PWRDF) water projects in the North.

Singing at Holy Trinity

If you would like to sing in the choir, now would be a great time to join. The weekly rehearsal is held on Thursdays, 6.30 - 8.00 p.m. in preparation for the 11.00am Sunday service for which we meet at 10.00am. While regular attendance is desirable, I am fully aware that singers need to be absent from time to time. We will help you with reading music and improving your voice while having a fun time. Vacancies in all voice parts. Please speak to our organist, Ian Sadler or email him anytime over the next few weeks.

sadlermusic57@gmail.com

Food Bank Wishlist – 41 Mornington Street

As back to school approaches, the Food Bank is looking for donations to help kids in our community prepare for another school year. We are looking for the following items: **pencil crayons, markers, glue sticks, small scissors, pencil sharpeners and pencil cases.** Please drop off in the bin at the back of the church. Thank you.

Prayers of the People

For those wishing to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out a “Prayer Request” form at the back of the church. Alternatively, you can call the office with your request 519-271-3572 ext. 101 or e-mail office@holytrinitystratford.ca

Upcoming Readings – Sunday September 20th

Exodus 16: 2-15

Psalms 105: 1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1: 21-30

Matthew 20: 1-16

Chancel Team #2

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 15 - *Breakfast Club from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street
*Holy Trinity Community Food Bank from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the Upper Hall – 41 Mornington Street.
(This is the final food bank day at this location).
- Sept. 16 - *Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. BCP Service
*Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall.
- Sept. 17 - *Breakfast Club from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street
*Celtic Worship at 10:00 a.m. via ZOOM.
*ACW Meeting & Luncheon at 10:00 a.m. in the Lower Hall.
*Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
*Contemporary Liturgy Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Club Room.
- Sept. 18 - *Friday Food Bank from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street
*The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12 p.m.
*Chimes Concert at 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 19 - *Men's Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Lower Hall
*Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
- Sept. 20 - *Holy Communion BCP Service at 8:00 a.m.
*Contemporary Holy Eucharist Service at 9:30 a.m.
*Choral Holy Eucharist BAS Service at 11:00 a.m.
*Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. meet at the back stairs in the Narthex.
*Altar Server training following the 11:00 a.m. Service in the Sanctuary.

