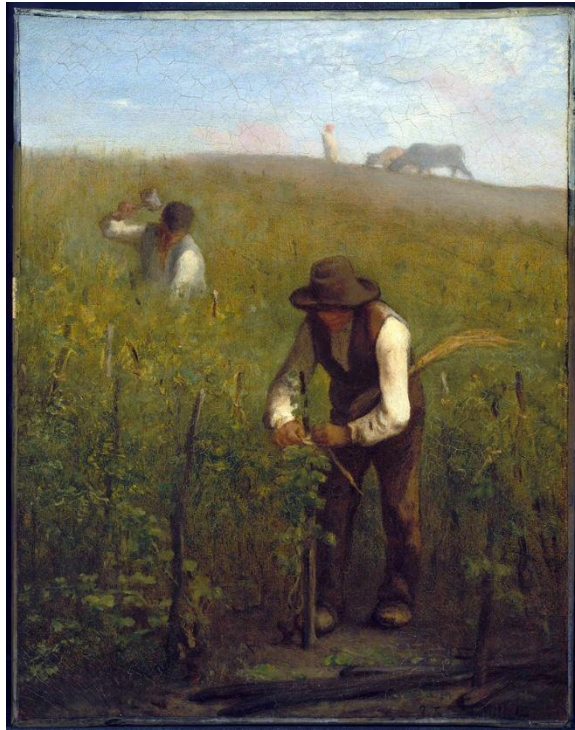




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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost **October 4, 2026 Holy Eucharist 10:30am**

Presider: The Ven. Canon Judy Walton
Lay Reader: Francis Richardson
Organist: Ashton Dunk

Server: Sarah Howard
Cantor: Lynn McTaggart
Reader: Garry Minielly
Greeter: Garry Minielly



Our Land Acknowledgement

We are meeting on the traditional lands and treaty territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, which includes the Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation and the Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation. We also recognize the Métis whose ancestors shared this land and these waters. We extend our gratitude to all Anishinaabe and Métis peoples and their descendants, past, present and future, who continue to care for and inhabit these lands and tend these waters.



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

Post-Covid, we have curtailed the “passing of the plate” at Christ Church. There are offering envelopes in the pews and on the table at the back of the church. We thank you for your donation to the ministry and upkeep of the parish which can be placed on the offering plate as you enter the church.

Prelude: Come Into His Presence – Lynn Baird; Be Thou My Vision – tr. Mary E. Byrne
Please stand as you are able.

OPENING SENTENCE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #398 Let Us with a Gladsome Mind
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.

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 19

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



- (1) The heavens declare your glory, O God,
- (2) and the firmament shows your handiwork.
- (3) One day tells its tale to another,
- (4) and one night imparts knowledge to another. **R.**

- (1) Although they have no words or language,
- (2) and their voices are not heard,
- (3) their sound has gone out into all lands,
- (4) and their message to the ends of the world. **R.**

- (1) In the deep you have set a pavilion for the sun;
- (2) it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber,
- (2) and rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- (3) It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
- (3) and runs about to the end of it again;
- (4) nothing is hidden from its burning heat. **R.**

- (1) The law of God is perfect and revives the soul;
- (2) the testimony of our God is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- (3) The statutes of our God are just and rejoice the heart;
- (4) the commandment of God is clear and gives light to the eyes. **R.**

- (1) The fear of God is clean and endures for ever;
- (1) the judgments of our God are true and righteous altogether.
- (2) More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
- (2) sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- (3) By them also is your servant enlightened,
- (4) and in keeping them there is great reward. **R.**

- (1) How can I tell how often I offend?
- (1) cleanse me from my secret faults.
- (2) Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me;
- (2) then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offence.
- (3) Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
- (4) O God, my strength and my redeemer. **R.**

THE SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

Reader: A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #190 Alleluia (from Sing a New Creation)
repeated by congregation, until procession stops

190 Alleluia

The musical score for Alleluia #190 is presented in two systems. Each system consists of a treble staff and a bass staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. Above the treble staff, a series of chords are indicated: D, A/C#, G2/B, D/A, G, D/F#, Em, A, and D. The lyrics for both systems are: "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!". The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is not explicitly shown but appears to be common time (C).

Please turn to face the Gospel reader.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-46

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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

After the reading:

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION #190 Alleluia (from Sing a New Creation)

repeated by congregation, until procession stops

Please be seated.

Banns of Marriage

HOMILY

The Ven. Judy Walton

Interim Priest

Please stand, as you are able.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Lay Reader: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please sit, kneel or stand, as you're able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Francis Richardson

Lay Reader

Please stand, if 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: S #122 Before the Throne of God Above

Sing a New Creation

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer # 5– BAS page 204

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, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for your life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: You created us to love you with all our heart,

.....
Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing

THE SANCTUS (HOLY) - sung

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord - #212 *Sing a New Creation*

**All: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.**

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

**Blessed, blessed, blessed, blessed is the one
coming in the name, the name of the Lord.**

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Sit, stand or kneel, as you're able.

Presider: We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us
.....
you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People: Glory to you forever and ever.

Presider: On the night before he gave up his life for us,
.....
Do this in memory of me.”

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus,
.....
and share in the life of the family of your children.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Father, you call us to be your servants, fill us with the courage
.....
We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER (sung) #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) sung
Lamb Of God (Agnus Dei)

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.**

Please be seated.

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 hosts are available at the altar rail upon request.

COMMUNION HYMN S #118 When We Are Living

Sing a New Creation

Please stand, as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE DOXOLOGY

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 #524 O Christ, the Great Foundation

blue hymn book

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

THE POSTLUDE

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come – H. Alford / G.J. Elvey

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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. Anne’s (Byron), London; St. George’s, London; St. James Westminster, London; St. John the Evangelist, London.

The Parish: We hold in our prayers: David & Muriel Hindle, Gayle Holmes, Barb & Ron Horne 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.

Intercessions: For healing and hope we hold up to God: Bev, Carole, Charlie, Dave, Marg, Mary, Deanie, Fraser, Gord, John, Katharine, Norma, Rebecca, Ted, and their families, and any others who are in need of our prayers.

Our Prayer List. Please let the priest or wardens know if there is anyone who continues to need our prayers and whose name will continue on the prayer list into the next month.



Memorial Flowers on the Altar

Flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God and with grateful thanks for the life and ministry of past members of the Chancel Guild.



If you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please contact Muriel Armitage, with advance notice if possible, at 519-538-2852.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, October 11 , 2026, Harvest Thanksgiving

The readings are: Ex 32:1-14; Ps 106:1-6, 19-23; Phil 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

After the service, join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Hall.

We are using our newer hymn book for the Offertory and Communion hymns today—they will be passed out by the greeter. They are called Sing a New Creation, and the hymn is marked in the bulletin with an “S” in front of the hymn number.

The Midweek Holy Eucharist (said) is Wednesdays at 12:00noon in the chapel, followed by a Bible reading session at 1:00pm.

To make our Thanksgiving decorations and service even more meaningful, the Chancel Guild is inviting parishioners to loan us jars of homemade preserves, vegetables, gourds and fruits (no flowers please) to help decorate the church. The decorations need to be at the church before 9 am Saturday October 10th and we ask that donors pick up their contributions and take them home after the Thanksgiving Sunday service. We’d be very grateful for your help!

It’s that time again! The Country Kitchen & Craft Sale is Saturday, October 17 from 9am to 1pm. If you have an item or two to donate for the sale, please speak to Canon Kevin. Jams, jellies, preserves, crafts, pies, squares, loaves, etc. are very welcome. Please take a poster (back of the church) to spread the word.

There will also be a light lunch offered downstairs, in Memorial Hall, from 11am to 12:30pm to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank (a Christian response to hunger).

The Toonie Tree will be in the church for the month of October, which is World Hunger Month. Please give what you can (a toonie or a loonie) to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. World Food Day concert is October 25 – see posters

A short update from our Selection Committee – Toni Bothwell.

For Pastoral Care, (urgent matters) please contact the Ven. Canon Judy Walton at revjudy@rogers.com or 705-444-0233 / 705-607-0870 (cell). For all other questions, concerns or ministries, please contact office@christchurchanglican.ca or 519-538-1330.