



HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH STRATFORD, ONTARIO

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Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost **Sunday October 18, 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 *Prelude on 'Pater Noster' – Denis Bédard*

Processional Hymn #587 *Once to Every Man and Nation*

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 - New setting: St. Thomas Mass - David Thorne

(See cards & monitors for music & words)

The Collect of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Exodus 33: 12-23

Rick Falshaw

Psalm 99

Cantor: Marilyn Smith



Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

Ian O'Neill

Gradual Hymn #350

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

The Gospel

Matthew 22: 15-22

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 Rev. Tianna Gocan

Anthem:

How Beautiful Upon the Mountains – J. Stainer

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Lorainne Brooks

Response: **Lord Hear Our Prayer**

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

Peal of the Bells

Peter Ryde

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn #617

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Sanctus and Benedictus

#689

The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking of the Bread #3

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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 #522

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Prayer After Communion

Doxology

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #501

Through All the Changing Scenes

Dismissal

Postlude:

'Great' Fugue in b minor – J.S. Bach

Join us this afternoon at 4:00 p.m.
for Jazz Vespers featuring:
~ **The Tyson Kipfer Trio** ~
All are welcome to this informal evening
worship service. Free will offering.

NOTICES FOR OCTOBER 18th

Vestry Meeting – Today!

There will be a special Vestry Meeting today following the 11:00 a.m. Service. Please join us.

Request For Volunteers!

Holy Trinity Chapel & Outreach Centre runs a Breakfast Club program every **Tuesday & Thursday 8:00-10:00 a.m.**, year-round, serving those who are most vulnerable in our community. We're looking for volunteers to help with set-up, dishwashing, clean-up and if you choose, visiting with our guests too. Currently we serve about 25-30 people each morning, and with the Warming Centre opening November 1st, we expect 40 guests per morning. **Can you help?** You can volunteer once a month, weekly, or whatever works for you. We simply ask for a commitment **so we can keep our program running**. We cannot do it without the volunteers. A couple of hours of your time can make a real difference! Contact Bonnie Masse @ 519-271-4527 or email htcoc@diohuron.org Sincere thanks.

Fall Food & Faith Wednesdays (Education Series) Update

Due to some scheduling glitches, we have made a few changes to the Fall Food and Faith Sessions. We will resume again on October 21st with a look at Margery Kempe. The final date for the series will now be November 11th.

- October 21st Margery Kempe
- October 28th Hildegard of Bingen
- November 4th Julian of Norwich
- November 11th Catherine of Siena

Our apologies for any inconvenience. We look forward to having you join us at 5:30pm on these evenings.

Focus Library

Mystically Speaking: A Few More Words Following the Fall Food and Faith Series: “The Mystics Would Like a Word or Two” this new selection of books supports that subject. Included in the collection are allied commentaries and works of a spiritual nature by women authors.

Men’s Breakfast

Welcome to FALL-

Our next breakfast is Saturday OCTOBER 24th- reminder - one week later. Lower Hall Holy Trinity Church-

- Come for 7:15 a.m.- to help set up and cook
- Come for 8:15 a.m.- to have a coffee/tea and some juice

The best breakfast is served at 8:30 a.m.- come and join us!!
Donations accepted to help with food expenses. ASK a friend, neighbour or stranger to come and join the group. Great fellowship and excellent food! See YOU there- Thanks, Wade.

Holy Grounds Meets on Sunday October 25th

Holy Grounds group meets again on Sunday October 25th at Balzac's Café at 1:00 p.m. For further information please contact Rev'd Tianna Gocan at tgocan@holytrinitystratford.ca or 226-791-0150.

Spooky Tower Volunteer Request

Let’s get spooky together! To be held on Halloween evening, Saturday October 31 from 6:00 to 8:00. We are looking for some help to make it happen that night or perhaps bake some cookies (no nuts please). This event is great fun and only takes a few hours that day. We also have cookie treats for the children along with a certificate that they rang the Holy Trinity Church bells. Costumes are a must as we do get in the spirit of occasion. It is so much fun and brings smiles to lots of children and their parents. If you can help, please call or text Joel at 1-226-880-1578 or email jwest@holytrinitystratford.ca or Carol at 519-273-2272 or text at 519-272-4068 or email at clboone46@gmail.com. We need your help to make this happen. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Thanks for your anticipated help, Joel and Carol.

Upcoming Readings – Sunday October 25th

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12

Matthew 22: 34-46

Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17

Chancel Team #3

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 18 - *Special Vestry Meeting following today's 11:00 a.m. Service.

*Jazz Vespers at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Oct. 20 - *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. at 9 Douro Street.

Oct. 21 - *Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. BCP Service

*Fall Food & Faith Series at 5:30 p.m. in the Lower Hall.

*Parish Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Lower Hall

Oct. 22 - *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.

*Choir Rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Oct. 23 - *Friday Food Bank from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Outreach Centre – 9 Douro Street

*Treasure Hunt Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room.

*Chimes Concert at 12:00 p.m.

*The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation at 12 p.m.

Oct. 24- *Men's Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Lower Hall.

*Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave

Oct. 25 - *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 by the stairway in the Narthex.

*Holy Grounds meets at Balzac's Café at 1:00 p.m.

*Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

CHORAL EVENSONG

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

(41 Mornington St., Stratford)

October 25, 2026—4 pm

Sung evening prayers with beautiful
music and a glorious choir.

Organist and Director: Ian Sadler

Open to all with a freewill offering.

