

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

STRATFORD, ONTARIO

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Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday October 25, 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 *Andante Sostenuto (from 'Symphonie Gothique')*
C.M. Widor

Processional Hymn #101 *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

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*

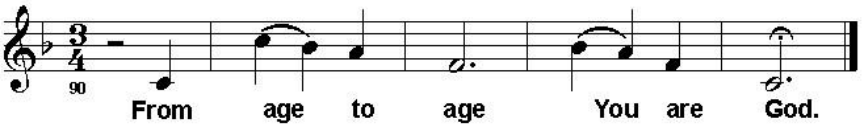
Gloria - *New setting: St. Thomas Mass - David Thorne*
(See cards & monitors for music & words)

The Collect of the Day

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Deuteronomy 34: 1-12 *Louise McColl*

Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17 *Cantor: Mark Allwood*



Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8 *Phil Guest*

Gradual Hymn #466 *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

The Gospel Matthew 22: 34-46
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. Tanya Phibbs*

Anthem: *O Taste and See – R. Vaughan-Williams*

Nicene Creed *BAS p. 188*

Prayers of the People *Karen Haslam*

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 #347 *The God of Abraham Praise*

Prayer over the Gifts

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer #3 *BAS p. 198*

Sanctus and Benedictus (new setting: see insert)

The Lord's Prayer *BAS p. 211*

Breaking of the Bread #3 *BAS p. 212*

Agnus Dei (new setting; see insert)

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 #487 *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

Prayer After Communion

Doxology *BAS p. 214*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #645 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

Dismissal

Postlude: *Allegro Risoluto (from 'Symphony No. 2 in e minor') – L. Vierne*

Join us this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. for:
~ Choral Evensong ~
Conductor: Arthur McGlashan
Organist: Ian Sadler
with guests: The Choir of St. Bride's,
Clarkson (Mississauga)

NOTICES FOR OCTOBER 25th

Holy Grounds Meets Today!
Holy Grounds group meets again today 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.

Fall Food & Faith Wednesdays (Education Series)
Join us for our Fall Food & Faith series. We will gather for dinner and a discussion in the lower hall. This fall, our series is based on Shannon K. Evans' book, *The Mystics Would Like a Word*, where we'll lean more deeply into the stories and spirituality of six female mystics and how they can speak into our experiences as Christians today.

- October 28th Hildegard of Bingen
- November 4th Julian of Norwich
- November 11th Catherine of Siena

We look forward to having you join us at 5:30pm on these evenings.

Women Building Faith – Wednesday Nov. 4th
An hour, once a month, the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 10:45 a.m. to noon, in the Club Room.

Nov. 4 (To not conflict with Remembrance Day on the 11th), Facilitators: Katherine Maclean and Nancy McCallum converse about Meditative Prayer.

If you would like to facilitate one of our gatherings, contact Karen Hunt Mitchell, 519-703-1519 carinalamama@gmail.com

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.

Thank You from Stratford Music & Art
This fundraiser for the Food Banks ran so well with All Your Help. Thank you. Money was raised in spite of two other fundraisers and competition with the fine weather after some miserable rain. The final amount has not yet revealed itself. However, as of October 19 $795 will be going to help others.

As a reminder of how this works, Donations come from two sources: entrance free-will donations from visitors and a percentage of the participating artists day's sales. The first amounts come in quickly and some artists promptly gave up to 50% of their day's sale. Others may still contribute once they have sorted out whether they donate 20% or more.

In any case, the day was a success with several wonderful reviews from our artists and visitors alike. The music was amazing: SDSS Jazz Combo (7-piece band of talented Grade 11 and 12 music students, with Kelsey Regier, music teacher), Neil Young, John Lewis, Karen Clark-Lauzon and Peter Ryde, Chimer Extraordinaire.

Looking forward to next October for a repeat event.
Hoping to add to the music component with more amazing musicians from Holy Trinity. Many thanks to an amazing team, who worked so well with me: Brenda Storey, Jason Fallaise and Karen Franke, who come from the outside community to lend their talents for a good cause. As always, Caring with Your Help,
Karin Mussen

COMMIT & The Rotary Club
Dear Holy Trinity Parishioners:
On behalf of COMMIT and the Rotary Club of Stratford I would like to thank everyone for the donation of glasses that you dropped off at the back of the church. We go down to Nicaragua twice yearly and work in the poorest parts of the country. No one can afford glasses, so we have a doctor who looks after measuring the prescription and distributing to our residents. Believe me the improvement in their sight is much appreciated.
Thanks again. Best, Doug Thompson.

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.

2027 Canadian Church Calendars
It's that time of year again! We are taking orders for the 2027 Canadian Church Calendars. The cost will depend on the quantity we order, so we are not able to quote a price until we receive them. To order, please contact Kelly in the office at 519-271-3572 ext, 101 or office@holytrinitystratford.ca.

Coventry Litany of Reconciliation
The Reverend Stephanie Donaldson will pray The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation every Friday at noon. You can stream the Litany on Friday afternoons on Facebook.

Upcoming Readings – Sunday November 1st

Revelation 7: 9-17
Psalm 34: 1-10, 22
1 John 3: 1-3
Matthew 5: 1-12
Chancel Team #4

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 25 - *Holy Grounds meets at 1:00 p.m. at Balzac's Café.
*Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Oct. 27 - *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. 28 - *Wednesday Morning 10:00 a.m. BCP Service
*Fall Food & Faith Series at 5:30 p.m. in the Lower Hall.

Oct. 29 - *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. 30 - *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. 31 *Christian Meditation at 10:30 a.m. in the Nave
*Spooky Tower from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Narthex & Bell Tower.

Nov. 1 - *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.
*All Souls Memorial Service at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.