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Pentecost VII
July 27, 2025 BAS – 9am

#### **Announcements**

Processional Hymn: CP # 532 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

#### The Gathering of the Community

C: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the

fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

C: Almighty God,

A: to you all hearts are open, all desires are 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 worthy magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Glory to God**

Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth. We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King. We give you praise, almighty God and Father Blessed in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son, The sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin, Have mercy Lord. Beside the Father's hand enthroned, Now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord. You only are most high. You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ. And now you reign with Father and with Spirit One in glorious light.

#### The Collect of the Day

C: Jesus Christ, teach us to pray, and to trust the hospitality of God for our daily bread, as our ancestors who ate manna in the wilderness.

Let us likewise be hospitable, and as God gives the gift of the Holy Spirit to us, let us give good gifts to those who are in need.

A: Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word The Readings

Genesis 18:20-32

Roberta Butler

O: A reading from the book of Genesis.

<sup>20</sup> Then the LORD said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! <sup>21</sup> I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.'

<sup>22</sup> So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. 23 Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup> Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' <sup>26</sup> And the LORD said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' 27 Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. <sup>28</sup> Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' <sup>29</sup> Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' 30 Then he said. 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' 31 He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' 32 Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

O: The word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138 Rev Sharla

The Psalm appointed for today Psalm 138.

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, \*

because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your name \*

and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; \*

you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, \*

when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, \*

that great is the glory of the Lord.

- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; \* he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \*
  you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
  your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; \*
  O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Colossians 2:6 - 19

Jan Melega

O: A reading from Paul's letter to Colosse.

<sup>6</sup> As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives<sup>[a]</sup> in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

<sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. <sup>9</sup> For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup> and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. <sup>11</sup> In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; <sup>12</sup> when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. <sup>13</sup> And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. <sup>17</sup> These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. <sup>18</sup> Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on

visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, <sup>19</sup> and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

This is the word of the Lord.

A: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Processional: CP # 601 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Gospel: Luke 11:1- 13 Rev Sharla

C: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

C: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

A: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' <sup>2</sup> He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

- <sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.
- And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.

<sup>5</sup> And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." <sup>7</sup> And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." <sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

<sup>9</sup> 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. <sup>11</sup> Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? <sup>12</sup> Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a

scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit<sup>[]</sup> to those who ask him!'

C: The Gospel of Christ.

A: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### Homily

#### **Apostle's Creed**

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

A: 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.

# The Prayers of the People

Roberta Butler

O: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

A: For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

O: For this community, our country, and the world;

A: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

O: For the just and proper use of your creation;

A: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

O: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**A:** For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

O: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**A:** For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

O: For Todd, our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

A: For all who serve God in his Church.

O: For our own needs and those of others. (Prayer list) Hear us, Lord;

A: For your mercy is great.

O: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We will exalt you, O God our king;

A: And praise your name for ever and ever.

O: We pray for all those who have died in the peace of Christ, (especially ...) and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

A: Who put their trust in you.

O: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

A: in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

C: Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

A: Amen.

#### The Peace

C: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

A: And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist The Preparation of the Gifts

# Invitation to the Offering

C: Jesus teaches us that if we ask, it will be given to us.

Let us participate in God's purpose, then, by giving generously for all who are in need.

# Offertory Hymn: CP # 520 The King of Love My Shephard Is

# The Prayer over the Gifts

C: Holy One, we give you thanks for your steadfast love and faithfulness.

Bless these offerings and transform them into gifts of hospitality for those who need them most.

A: Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer III

C: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

C: Lift up your hearts.

A: We lift them up to the Lord.

C: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

C: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;....Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

C: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, ...Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command

A: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection,

# we await his coming in glory;

C: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; ...in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

A: Amen.



# The Breaking of the Bread

C: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread. A:

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. Grant us peace.

The Communion

Administrators · Catherine Carlson, Charlotte Cromarty

### **Communion Hymn**

### **Prayer after Communion**

C: Let us pray.

> God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.

A: Amen.

Glory to God, C:

A: 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.

# **Blessing**

May God preserve you, protect and keep you, this day and for all eternity. C:

A: Amen.

Recessional Hymn: CP # 564 Lead Us, Heavenly Father Lead Us

### Dismissal

C: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the

door will be opened to you.

All: Thanks be to God.

# **Readings for Next Week**

Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14;2:18-23 Psalm 49:1-12

Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12:13-21

#### Last Week's Attendance

Sunday: 9:00am 63

**Givings** 

On the plate \$1,505 Auto Debit: \$2,380

### **Capital Project Donations to Date**

From March 30th to July 20th a total of \$21,043.00 has been contributed in donations. Thank you so much for your response so far.

Nelson Cuthbert for the Capital Project Campaign.

### Name Tags

If you would like a name tag, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex and the cost is \$13.00.

#### **Summer Music**

Hey there, St. George's! If you're looking for a source of church music during the summer or even throughout the rest of the year - check out Rob's YouTube channel 'raszmies' - you can search for a specific hymn (be sure to include the keyword 'raszmies' in your search) or you can look through the various 'Playlists' on my channel that include all of the hymns from the Common Praise hymnal, two of the Praise & Worship songbooks that we use throughout the year and hundreds of other tracks from the Voices United hymnal, the Salvation Army Songbook as well as a variety of older hymnals and songbooks. All videos include the lyrics for all of the hymns/songs that scroll through as you hear Rob play...

### **Sunday Smile**

SIN = Soul In Need

### Rev. Sharla will be on vacation from July 28 to August 5.

If you have a pastoral emergency during this time, please contact the church office or one of the following:

**Rev Tianna Gocan** 226-791-0150 or tiannagocan@diohuron.org **Catherine** at 519-886-7466

**Cindy** at 519-721-4587

You may also leave a message for Rev. Sharla; she will get back to you as soon as she is able.

### St. Andrews Cupboard

Thank-you all so much for your generous donations to the St. Andrews Cupboard. With your help, we have been able to help so many families in need anything you would like to give is much appreciated, but this week, a couple of things mentioned were toothbrushes and rice (small and regular size)

Thank-You so much **\(\psi\)**Heather Murphy

On behalf of your Outreach Committee

#### **Christmas Market**

The Christmas Market is November 15<sup>th</sup> this year. While it is early yet, we are trying to be proactive and have LOTS of books, games and bottles to offer shoppers. So, over the summer months please think about setting aside your gently used books, games, even Christmas ornaments that have been sorted! In preparation for the ever-popular bottle pull we will require donations of any bottled item, whether it be ketchup, shampoo, dish soap etc. Of course, our guests are always delighted if they choose the bag with a bottle of wine. Bottles may be wrapped or placed in a wine bag. Also, if you have more wine bags than you need, they would be appreciated.

We will again be having a book room, with the addition of games that are complete. We welcome your donations of recent fiction (5years or less please) and non-fiction books. (no textbooks please) and children's chapter books. We will provide bins in the narthex to collect donations, beginning the week after Thanksgiving, which is October 13th. For now, please just keep in mind your collection of items for donating.

If you have questions or need to get things out earlier, please contact either Coralee Little (519-504-0860) or Susan Hipperson (519-654-7023) and we will do our best to help.