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Pentecost IX

August 10, 2025 BAS – 9am

Announcements

Processional Hymn: CP # 1 'Holy, Holy, Holy'

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.

A: **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: God of grace, who are we that you should care for us? Yet you surprise us with grace, infuse us with hope, and teach us a better way.
Make us ever more faithful, and ever more grateful, as we watch for the coming of your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray.

A: Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word The Readings

Genesis 15: 1-6

Funke Talabi

O: A reading from the book of Genesis.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' ² But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of

my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’ ³ And Abram said, ‘You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.’ ⁴ But the word of the LORD came to him, ‘This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.’ ⁵ He brought him outside and said, ‘Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.’ Then he said to him, ‘So shall your descendants be.’ ⁶ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

O: The word of the Lord.

A: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 33:12-22

Rev Sharla Malliff

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! *

happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

13 The Lord looks down from heaven, *

and beholds all the people in the world.

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze *

on all who dwell on the earth.

15 He fashions all the hearts of them *

and understands all their works.

16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; *

a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; *

for all its strength it cannot save.

18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, *

on those who wait upon his love,

19 To pluck their lives from death, *

and to feed them in time of famine.

20 Our soul waits for the Lord; *

he is our help and our shield.

21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, *

for in his holy name we put our trust.

22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, *

as we have put our trust in you.

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Marc Mennel

O: A reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised.^[a] ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, ‘as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.’

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Gospel Processional

Gospel: Luke 12.32-40

Rev Sharla Malliff

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.**

³² ‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ ‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and

have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹ 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

C: The Gospel of Christ.

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

The Response to the Gospel

Homily

Rev Sharla Malliff

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

O: The flowers in the church today are in loving memory of our parents and praise and gratitude for our family. Also, in celebration of our 56th wedding anniversary. We are truly blessed. Lilian and Fred Cressman.

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: In obedience to Christ and with love for our neighbors, let us bring our offerings to God.

Offertory Hymn: CP # 619 'Fairest Lord Jesus'

The Prayer over the Gifts

C: Generous God, you pour out blessing and cover us with gifts of love. Accept these offerings for the sake of your children, that they may proclaim your mercy and embody your grace. In Jesus' name we ask it.

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.

Our Father in Heaven

Unison

1 Our Fath - er in heav - en, we hal - low your Name! Most
 2 Our dai - ly bread give us, ful - fil ev - ery need; grant
 3 Then, from all temp - ta - tion, come lead us a - way; from

ho - ly and glo - ri - ous, ev - er the same! Es -
 food for both spir - it and bod - y, we plead. As
 on - slaught of e - vil, de - liv - er we pray! For

tab - lish your king - dom, your pur - pose ful - fill. On
 we for - give oth - ers, our debts please for - give; with
 yours is the king - dom, the glo - ry and power in

earth as in heav - en, may all do your will!
 all re - con - ciled and at peace may we live.
 past and in fu - ture, this day and this hour!

The Breaking of the Bread

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

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

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 Hymns

Prayer after Communion

C: Let us pray.

Eternal God, Grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this Eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask thus in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

A: Amen.

C: Glory to God,

**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

C: May the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you this day and every day until Christ comes to make all things well.

A: Amen.

Recessional Hymn: CP # 503 'Fight the Good Fight With All Thy Might'

Dismissal

C: Do not be afraid, for it is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

A: **Thanks be to God.**

Readings for Next Week

Jeremiah 23: 23-29

Psalm 82

Hebrews 11: 29-12:2

Luke 12: 49-56

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday : 9:00 am 44

Givings

On the plate \$2,320 Auto Debit: \$2,589

Capital Project Donations to Date

From March 30th to August 3rd a total of \$21,063.00 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.

Sunday Smile

BIBLE: Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth

Ice Cream Update

As of today (July 29th), we have provided 16 tubs of ice cream to St. John's kitchen over four Fridays, along with all sorts of jelly dots, chocolate chips, sprinkles and peanuts. Four more tubs are waiting to be scooped out on August 1st. Our parishioners have come forward with at least \$769 in support, which has been terrific, as our expenses to date have been at least \$643 (Catherine has not yet given me her modest receipts!). Ten of us have volunteered so far to help out, which has made the outreach fairly easy.

Many thanks to all of you for making this generosity possible! We have likely five more Fridays to go!

John Ryrie

St. Andrew's Cupboard

Our sincere thanks to everyone for your donations to the St. Andrews Cupboard

♥ More and more people are contacting St. Andrews for help so anything you are able to give is so appreciated! This week, Decon Kay mentioned they are needing cereal. That is always something that goes very quickly!

Thank-you all so much ♥

Heather Murphy

On behalf of your Outreach Committee

Fall Schedule for Lesson Readers

The September through November Reader's List for both of regular Sunday services, will be prepared in the next few weeks

and be in mail folders by the first Sunday in September. If you were on the Reader's list this past year it will be assumed you wish your participation in the ministry to continue. Please call Cheryl Fox @ 519-579-0684 if you would prefer to have your name taken off the list. If you have not read in the past and would like to be included in this ministry please call Cheryl by August 25th to discuss expectations and process.

Altar Guild

Each week we are blessed with flowers for the altar, given by families in memory of loved ones or for special occasions. We have a few empty spots on the flower chart, in the Narthex, for the remainder of the summer. If you would like to contribute the flower arrangements or join with another family to share the cost, please sign up. An altar guild member will be in touch with you.

Thank you

Congregational Workshop facilitated by Credence & Co

The Parish of St. George's is invited to attend a congregational workshop facilitated by Credence & Co. This workshop is designed to strengthen the overall health of the parish and will focus on building skills in conflict resolution and effective communication. The training will support Parish Council Members and Members of the Congregation, fostering healthy communication and collaboration for the ongoing well-being of the parish community. On September 20, the parish will meet 10am - noon followed by lunch and the council will continue to meet from 1pm - 3pm.

Bishop's Friends Dinner

Bishop's Friends Dinner will be held at Renison University College on Saturday, September 27 at 6 pm. Tickets are \$125. For more information see the email announcement or contact the Rev. Barry Ferguson, barryferguson@diohuron.org.