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### **Pentecost XVI – Creation V**

**Sept 28, 2025**

**BAS – 10:00 am**

### **Announcements**

**Processional Hymn: CP #393 'Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise'**

### **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 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.

### **The Collect of the Day**

**C:** Let us pray.  
Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**A: Amen.**

### **The Proclamation of the Word The Readings**

**Jeremiah 32:2-3a, 6-15**

Coralee Little

**O:** A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>2</sup>At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, <sup>3</sup>where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah

had said, 'Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the LORD: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;

<sup>6</sup> Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>7</sup> Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' <sup>8</sup> Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

<sup>9</sup> And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. <sup>10</sup> I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. <sup>11</sup> Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; <sup>12</sup> and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. <sup>13</sup> In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, <sup>14</sup> Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. <sup>15</sup> For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

O: The word of the Lord.

A: **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16**

**Rev Sharla Malliff**

The Psalm appointed for today is a selection from Psalm 91.

<sup>1</sup> He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, \*

**abides under the shadow of the Almighty.**

<sup>2</sup> He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold, \*

**my God in whom I put my trust."**

<sup>3</sup> He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter \*

**and from the deadly pestilence.**

<sup>4</sup> He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; \*

**his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.**

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, \*

**nor of the arrow that flies by day;**

6 Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, \*

**nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day.**

14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him; \*

**I will protect him, because he knows my name.**

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*

**I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honour.**

16 With long life will I satisfy him, \*

**and show him my salvation.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

## **1 Timothy 6:6-19**

John Ryrie

O: A reading from Timothy.

<sup>6</sup> Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; <sup>7</sup> for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; <sup>8</sup> but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. <sup>9</sup> But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. <sup>16</sup> It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

This is the word of the Lord.

**A: Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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**Gospel: Luke 16:19 - 31**

**Coralee Little**

**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.**

<sup>19</sup> 'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." <sup>27</sup> He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." <sup>29</sup> Abraham

replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." <sup>30</sup> He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." <sup>31</sup> He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

C: The Gospel of Christ.

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

## **The Response to the Gospel: CP #502 'You Are Salt for the Earth'**

**Homily – Coralee Little**

### **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**

Coralee Little

O: The flowers on the Altar are to celebrate Marc Mennel's 90th birthday today and to remember family and friends who are no longer with us.

Also, in this Season of Creation we marvel at all our Creator has given us in this life--and we humbly give thanks! Surely the greatest miracle is the birth of our children and the sure faith we have that our world will be a little better for the gifts they will give in their communities through compassion, love and grace. Today the altar flowers mark another birthday for my child, Caitlyn. Given in deep love and faith by Catherine Carlson

O: This morning, we hold in prayer .....

Let us pray to God our creator, who has given us the earth's goodness for our delight, and entrusted it to our care and tenderness.

For all who live in captivity to debt, whose lives are cramped by fear from which there is no turning except through abundant harvest;

Lord, we pray: may those who sow in tears

**A: reap with shouts of joy.**

O: For all who depend on the earth for their daily food and fuel, whose forests are destroyed for the profit of a few;

Lord, we pray: may those who sow in tears

**A: reap with shouts of joy.**

O: For those who labour in poverty, are oppressed by unjust laws, are prevented from speaking the truth, and long for a harvest of justice;

Lord, we pray: may those who sow in tears

**A: reap with shouts of joy.**

O: For all who are captive to greed and waste and boredom, whose harvest joy is choked with things they do not need;

Lord, we pray: may those who sow in tears

**A: reap with shouts of joy.**

O: Save us from all that holds us captive, restore our vision, that our mouth may be filled with laughter and our tongue with songs of joy.

**A: Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution**

C: Holy God,

**A: we turn to you with heavy hearts. We confess that there have been times when we have turned away from you. We have also turned away from our families and loved ones. We have hurt ourselves and hurt the earth. Forgive us, and teach us to forgive ourselves and each other. Help us believe in your love especially when we feel the most unlovable. May the joy of Jesus' resurrection fill us with renewed hope and belief in the possibility of change in our lives. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.**

C: God, in gracious love, gives us the awareness of how far we fall short of caring for this earth and our brothers and sisters and the strength to change our lives. Forgiveness is the pivot that turns repentance into reconciliation. Rest in the knowledge that you are forgiven.

**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: Today and every day, we see signs of God's grace and abundance.

But we also know that there is suffering and need in the world.

Give freely of what you have been given, as a witness to God's actions in the world.

## **Offertory Hymn: CP #531 'You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord'**

### **The Prayer over the Gifts**

C: Blessed be the Lord, for God is good, and God's love endures forever.  
Our Creator, help us to mirror your goodness through this offering, in the world.

**A: Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer For The Season of Creation**

C: The Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you.**

C: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them to the Lord.**

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



**A: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

C: You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth, all things came to be. Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements, and you brought forth life in forms innumerable, including this our fragile earth, and we amongst its inhabitants. As our past is in you, so our hope for the future rests with you. As we have turned from your way, so we turn again to the warmth of your love. Through you all things are brought to new life. And now we give you thanks for the glories of your creation given into our care, and for the opportunities we have to share that richness with all your people. And so with the wonders of creation and the songs of praise of all your creatures both in heaven and on earth we praise you now and forever singing:

**A: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven 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: In the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God. He broke the bread to speak to us of the breaking of his body upon the cross. He gave it to his friends and said: Take and eat, for this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

He took the wine, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God, Creator. He poured out the wine to speak to us of the pouring out of his blood. He gave it to his friends saying: This is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink of the wine, do this in remembrance of me.

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**A: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

C: Therefore God, we who seek your reconciliation; we who need reconciliation one with another; we who hope for reconciliation with all creation, draw close to this mystery.

In being broken, poured out and buried, life sprang forth again. In the breaking, there is an opening up; in the pouring out, there are the roots of sharing; in death and burial, there is the seed of the new life to come.

As we look in our world, in our lives, and in our hearts, for his second coming, keep us close to this vision that we have seen. Through the giving in the bread and wine, reconcile us to our world.

Send upon us, and upon all your creation, the life-giving Spirit who first moved upon the waters of the deep. Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive. Unite us with you through the body and blood of your Son, your Word made flesh. By whom, and with whom and in whom, in the unity of your Creative Spirit, with all that has been, is, and will be in your universe, we stand before you and worship you, God of all, in songs of everlasting praise,

**A: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

# Lord's Prayer

Our Fa-ther who art in hea-ven hallowed be Thy  
Name. Thy King-dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is  
in hea-ven, Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-  
give us our debts as we for-give our debt-ors and lead us  
not in-to temp-ta-tion. But de-li-ver us from all  
e-vil for Thine is the Kingdom and the pow-er and the glo-  
ry for-ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

C: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

**A: So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

C: Jesus invites us to come to the table here in this bread and wine, may we encounter Christ who calls us to care for the poor, the Earth, and all who are in need. All who long for Christ are welcome at this table.

## **The Communion**

**Administrants:** Adriana Cronin, Jen Millar, Mary Lynn Forrest

**Communion Music: CP #533 'Jesus, Lover of My Soul'**

**Choir Anthem**

## **Prayer after Communion**

C: Let us pray.  
Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.**

## **Benediction: 'The Blessing'**

The Lord bless you  
and keep you,  
Make His face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord turn his

face toward you,  
and give you peace. (x2)

Amen, amen, amen.  
Amen, amen, amen.

## **Blessing**

C: May God, who is our strength, help us celebrate the freedom we have received, and remember his great deeds and grow in trust.

May Jesus Christ, in whose name we find power, help us to honor his name with everything we do and say.

And may the Holy Spirit, who helps us to pray, motivate in us the practice of prayer, discovering, while praying, that there is indeed power in the name of Jesus.

**A: Amen.**

## **Recessional Hymn: CP #429 'For the Beauty of the Earth'**

## **Dismissal**

C: Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in the peace of Christ.

**A: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **Readings for Next Week**

Lamentations 1:1-6

Psalms 137

2 Timothy 1:1-14

Luke 17:5-10

## **Last Week's Attendance**

Sunday : 8:15 10:00

## **Givings**

On the plate \$1,329 Auto Debit: \$2,093

## **Outreach - Foodbank**

\*The outreach committee has made a change to the Foodbank donations that we need you to know about.

\*In the past we have asked for food items to be brought in for donation and once a year the outreach budget would also send them a cheque.

\*The foodbank donation bin and the St. Andrews donation bin often become confusing sitting side by side.

The foodbank has indicated that when we give a monetary donation, they can obtain twice the amount of food items than what we donate. In other words---if you go to the store and purchase \$8.00 worth of items, you may get 6 items if you are lucky. If you give the foodbank \$8.00, they can purchase 12 items. \$8.00 can provide meals for 4 people when you give a monetary donation.

We feel this is the way that we can best contribute to our community the most to help people who suffer from food insecurity.

If you wish to make a monetary donation to the food bank:

\*if you use giving envelopes - beside the outreach column, write Foodbank and the amount of your donation.

\*if you use direct deposit- it would be easier to take any envelope you have and put Outreach-Foodbank donation on it with the amount you are donating, along with your name and address

\*as of today, the Foodbank donation bin has been removed.

## **Sunday Smile**

Exercise daily, walk with the Lord

## **Bible Study**

Join our Bible Study every Thursday at 1:30 pm in the Fireside room. All are welcome!

## **Healing Prayers and Anointing**

Starting Sunday, August 31, we will offer prayers and anointing for healing on the fourth Sunday of each month.

This will be a time for anyone seeking physical, emotional, or spiritual healing to receive prayer and anointing with oil during worship. All are welcome to come forward during communion to receive.

## **Anglican Fellowship of Prayer - Zoom Meetings**

### **Monday, October 20**

Please join us at Let Us Pray this month as our new Primate the Most Reverend Shane Parker joins us as we begin our new season. We are absolutely delighted that Archbishop Shane can be with us as we begin another year. We're sure you'll want to hear what he has to say.

### **Monday, November 17**

Originally scheduled for April 2025, we are so pleased that Bishop Rachel Parker from the Diocese of Brandon is able to join us this Fall. We have asked Bishop Rachel to speak to us about her experiences of "Life in all its fullness" as it relates to the realities of some of our smaller parishes. Come and be inspired.

### **Monday, December 15**

As we enter this season of Advent, we are pleased to be welcoming back the Lieutenant Colonel Judson Bridgewater who spoke to us several years ago. Padre Judson will bring to us his thoughts on "Life in all its fullness: Prayer from Sea to Sea to Sea" in relationship to the situations he faces and those he serves as a military Chaplain.

Remember, all of our Let Us Pray sessions are recorded and available to you at any time. They would make an excellent resource for a prayer group wishing to expand their experience and/or understanding of different kinds of prayer. As they are available on demand, they could be used at any time that suits your group. Please take advantage of these wonderful resources. Here is a link that will serve us for the entire 2025/2026 season:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83536726542?pwd=r1Aj0fdW20FDkLjz4dLazF4UqA08jz.1>

## **Version #2 of the Readers List Now Available**

Please be advised that Version #2 of the Readers List is now available and has been distributed to your mail folders.

## **Name Tags**

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

## **Photographs**

Pictures taken at worship services and special events may be used for the Parish Website, Facebook page or the Dragon Flyer. Please speak to the photographer if you do not wish to be included in a picture.

The Communications Committee.

## **A Note from our Treasurer and our Executive**

As you are aware, monies can be directed to St. Georges in a number of ways. For accurate tracking of these monies, please ensure that you have indicated the purpose for the payment/donation. This is true for payments/donations received whether they be via cash, cheques, and/or E-transfers. In particular, if you are giving using envelopes, please clearly indicate your wishes for the donation using the available pre-printed lines on the front of the envelope. If you are using cheques rather than cash, please indicate the purpose of the cheque in the comment section to the left of your signature. If you are using E-transfer, please indicated the purpose of the e-transfer in the note section of the E-transfer. If you just use a plain envelope, please put your name, address, amount of the donation/payment, and a note as to the purpose(s) of the donation on the front of the envelope and seal it. Your assistance in these matters is greatly appreciated!

## **Deanery Refugee Update**

Our committee met on Monday Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> for two and a half hours. 8 of our 12 churches had representatives; at least two new individuals have joined our group. After considerable discussion, we decided we were not in a position to select a new family until at least mid-October (their arrival would be 2 to 8 weeks later). Significantly, we are still not entirely clear about the various rules by the Diocese and by the government that now determine funding and budgeting. Additionally, we could use a few new committee members to eventually fill roles on some of our sub-committees: education, medical needs, transportation. We are in good shape for furniture, finance/family budgeting, government forms and agencies, shopping, and social connections.

Not surprisingly, we could use further financial support from our twelve churches. As Treasurer, I calculated that for our last family (who arrived on Feb. 22, 2023) we spent \$35,769.26 to fund them for their first year (until March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024). Rent alone was roughly \$23,400. We have \$13,650 presently in our account. We do not need all of our funds up front, but we do need our churches to continue to give what they can to continue our work in aiding and rescuing families who need to flee their circumstances in distant countries.

I'd be more than happy to answer any questions you might have.

John Ryrie