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**Pentecost II**

**Jun 7, 2026**

**BAS Eucharist – 10:00 am**

**Announcements**

**Opening Hymn: CP #560 'God, Whose Almighty Word'**

**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.**

**L:** Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen.**

L: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

**A: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

L: Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**A: Amen.**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you.**

### **Prayer of Transition**

C: Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, look on your church with grace, and guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish of St George's, that they may receive a faithful servant who will care for your people and support them in their ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen.**

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

C: Holy God, creator of the universe, author of faith itself, infuse your people with trust so that as you have given life to your people throughout the ages, we too might know the true healing that comes from your steadfast word, through Christ Jesus, our Saviour. **Amen.**

# The Proclamation of the Word

## The Readings

**First Reading**      **Hosea 5:15–6:6**

Nelson Cuthbert

*A reading from the prophet Hosea.*

<sup>15</sup> Then I will return to my lair  
until they have borne their guilt  
and seek my face—  
in their misery  
they will earnestly seek me.”

**6** “Come, let us return to the LORD.  
He has torn us to pieces  
but he will heal us;  
he has injured us  
but he will bind up our wounds.

<sup>2</sup> After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will restore us,  
that we may live in his presence.

<sup>3</sup> Let us acknowledge the LORD;  
let us press on to acknowledge him.  
As surely as the sun rises,  
he will appear;  
he will come to us like the winter rains,  
like the spring rains that water the earth.”

<sup>4</sup> “What can I do with you, Ephraim?  
What can I do with you, Judah?  
Your love is like the morning mist,  
like the early dew that disappears.

<sup>5</sup> Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets,  
I killed you with the words of my mouth—  
then my judgments go forth like the sun.<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>6</sup> For I desire mercy, not sacrifice,  
and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings

The word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 50:7–15**

Catherine Carlson

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:“ O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*  
**for I am God, your God.**

8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*  
**your offerings are always before me.**

9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, \*  
**nor he-goats out of your pens;**

10 For the beasts of the forest are mine, \*  
**the herds in their thousands upon the hills.**

11 I know every bird in the sky, \*  
**and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.**

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, \*  
**for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, \*  
**or drink the blood of goats?**

14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
**and make good your vows to the Most High.**

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; \*  
**I will deliver you, and you shall honour me.”**

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.**

**Second Reading Romans 4:13–25**

Valerie Cuthbert

*A reading from Paul's letter to Rome.*

<sup>13</sup> It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. <sup>14</sup> For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means

nothing and the promise is worthless, <sup>15</sup> because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. <sup>17</sup> As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

<sup>18</sup> Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be."<sup>19</sup> Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. <sup>20</sup> Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup> The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, <sup>24</sup> but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. <sup>25</sup> He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation: 'Dwell in Me'**

### VERSE ONE

Dwell in me, dwell in me;  
Word of Jesus, dwell in me.  
Till Your face is all I see.  
Word of Jesus, dwell in me.

### VERSE TWO

Breathe on me, breathe on me;  
Holy Spirit, breathe on me.  
Be my passion, set me free.  
Holy Spirit, breathe on me.  
Holy Spirit, breathe on me.

C: The Lord be with you.

A: **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

<sup>12</sup> On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. <sup>13</sup> But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'<sup>[a]</sup> For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

**Response to the Gospel:**

**CP #529 'God, My Hope on You Is Founded' (verses 1, 3, 4)**

**Homily**

Catherine Carlson

**The Creed**

L: Let us confess our faith 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.**

## Intercessions and Thanksgivings

L: Let us pray. In peace we pray to you , Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work.

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

L: For this community, our country, and the world.

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

L: For the just and proper use of your creation.

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

L: 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.**

L: For the peace and unity of the church of God.

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

L: For Todd our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers.

**A: For all who serve God in the Church.**

L: Got our own needs and those of others. Especially we pray for .....  
Hear us Lord.

**A: For your mercy is great.**

L: We thank you, Lord for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

We exalt you, O God our king;

**A: And praise your name forever.**

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

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them.

**A: Who put their trust in you.**

L: 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.**

**Offertory Hymn: CP #501 'Through All the Changing Scenes of Life'  
(verses 1, 2, 4, 5)**

**Prayer over the Gifts**

L: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

A: **Amen.**

**Prayer of St John Chrysostom**

L: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfill now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

A: **Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

L: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

A: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Doxology

L: 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.

**Recessional: CP #631 'The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy'**

## Dismissal

L: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

A: Amen.

Readings for Next Sunday	
Exodus 19: 2-8a	Psalms 100
Romans 5: 1-8	Matthew 9:35 – 10:23

## Last Week's Attendance:

Sunday: 8:15      27      10:00      64

## Givings:

On the plate    \$1,635      Auto Debit: \$2,025

## Sunday Smile:

Adam and Eve: the first people not to read the Apple terms and conditions.

## "Ruth" Bible Study:

Begins next week with Rev Sharla.

## Father's Day

There is a sign-up sheet posted in the Narthex for donations towards Father's Day flowers. Anyone who would like to contribute in honour or memory of a loved one is warmly invited to add their name. Thanks!

Christine Ledbury

## **OUTREACH: ST. ANDREW'S CUPBOARD**

THANK-YOU all so much for your continued support of the St. Andrew's Cupboard ❤️ They could not continue to support so many needy people without our help! A few things mentioned this week were canned baked beans; peanut butter and they are in desperate need of pasta sauce! Anything you are able to donate is wonderful and very much appreciated 😊 They are always in need of cleaning supplies as well 🙌 Thank-you!

Heather Murphy, on behalf of your Outreach Committee

## **OUTREACH FOR JUNE**

For the month of June, we will not be collecting for St. Andrews as this is the month we help to support Innisfree Hospice House. Innisfree House provides comfort, care and closure to patients and their loved ones through the end-of-life journey. They accommodate up to ten people requiring palliative care. Innisfree House is funded through a mix of Ontario government health funding and significant community donations.

St. George's provides support by means of donating required food items as the meals for the residents are prepared on sight. We will be collecting these items from May 31 to June 14. We thank all our parishioners in their ongoing support of our outreach ministry.

Innisfree Donations Requests:

- \* apple, orange, cranberry juice - not boxes
- \* crackers- all kinds
- \* beef, chicken soup broth
- \* vegetable oil
- \* nuts for baking
- \* cocoa powder for baking
- \* ginger ale
- \* brown, white sugar
- \* semi-sweet chocolate chips
- \* k-cups---coffee and tea.

Heather Murphy, on behalf of your Outreach Committee

## **Accessibility Project – Phase 3 of 3**

As you know, we are working towards the completion of the third phase of the Accessibility Project. This project has been estimated to cost \$40,000. It addresses the replacement of the concrete sidewalk aprons in front of the Main Entrance and the rear entrance to Thompson Hall to improve the gradient and allow a smooth and even access to our building. The other part of this project addresses the refurbishment and/or replacement of the rear concrete stairs providing access to the Narthex from the parking lot.

In funding this Phase, Parish Council passed a motion which has the following parts:

- Use \$12,000 of the Capital Repairs' Fund and \$12,000 from the Dorcas Folds' Fund
- Fundraise for the remaining \$16,000

In response to this, we have a generous family who will match dollar for dollar to help in achieving the \$16,000 total needed. We thank them sincerely for their gift!

**Thus far, over \$5,000 has been raised! Wonderful and thank you.** As you are able, please continue to support this initiative. You can direct your donations to the Accessibility Project which is part of the Capital Repairs' Fund.

For any questions or comments, please contact any of your Parish Executive.

Thank you!

Nelson Cuthbert, Rector's Warden

## **SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

As we have done in the past, we are going to follow the same summer worship schedule throughout July and August wherein we have a single Sunday Service at 9 am. We will alternate between BCP and BAS throughout and will publish that schedule soon. Thanks.

Nelson Cuthbert, Rector's Warden

## **Bible Study**

Our Bible Study every Thursday at 1:30 pm in the Fireside room has now finished until the beginning of September – further notification to come.

## **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. Thanks!

The Communications Committee