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Greeter:	Mary Ann Millar, Barbara Bailey
Warden on Duty:	Debra Zanon-Barclay

Christ the King – November 22, 2026
Holy Eucharist – Book of Alternative Services (BAS) – 10:00 am

Announcements

Please stand, as you are able.

Processional Hymn - Common Praise (Blue Hymn Book) CP #378 'Crown Him with Many Crowns'

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

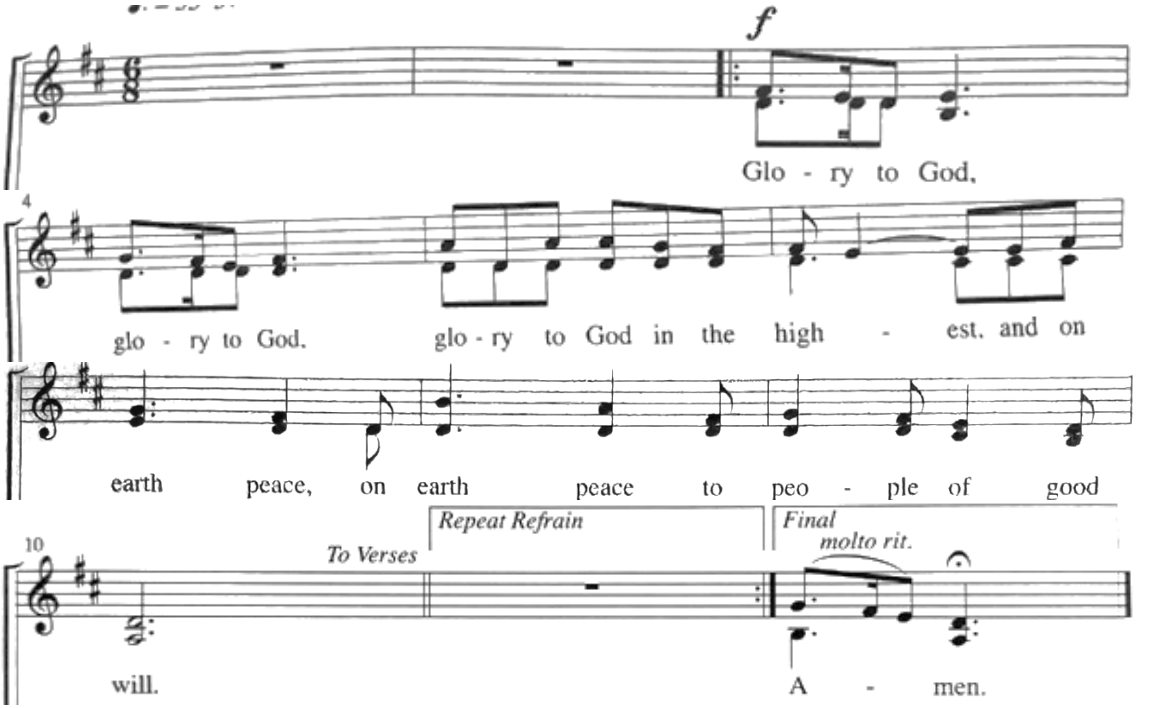
People: And also with you.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: Almighty God,

People: To you all hearts are open, all desires 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 worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORY to GOD
Refrain



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

CHILDREN'S FOCUS

Please be seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

THE FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 34:11-16, 20-24 Catherine Carlson

Reader: A reading from the Book of Ezekiel.
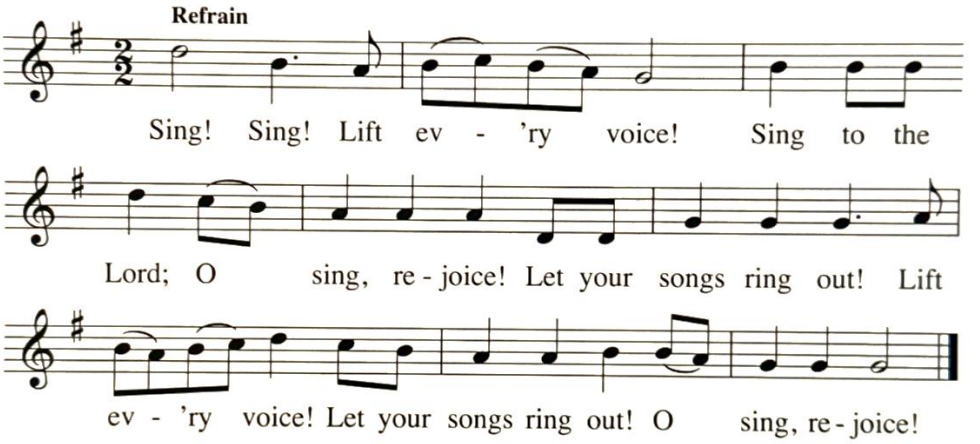
For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Please remain seated.

PSALM 100 Cantor: Rob Aszmies



THE SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 1:15-23 Michael DuBoulay

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 'Thy Word'
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:31-46 The Rev. Brendon Bedford
Gospeller: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."
Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL: 'How Great Is Our God'

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty,
Let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide,
It trembles at His voice, It trembles at His voice,

Refrain
How great is our God!
Sing with me, How great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God!

Age to age, He stands and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End,
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb,

Refrain x2

Please be seated.
THE HOMILY The Rev. Brendon Bedford

Please stand, as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED
Presider: Let us confess our faith, as we say,
All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

Please kneel, or sit, as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Roberta Butler

Intercessor: The flowers in the church today are in memory of a loving father, August Heintz, who was very caring of his family. He loved to be with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I thank you Dad for all the things you taught me and I am thankful and blessed that I had you as my father. Given by Charlotte Cromarty.

Through baptism we have been raised with Christ, to be a holy people. As faithful people serving the King of kings, and Lord of lords, let us intercede for all the world, responding to: "In the name of Jesus our King" with "hear our prayer."

Almighty God, Lord of the Church, we pray for your holy catholic Church in Heaven and on Earth. Gather all who bear the name of Christ into one fruitful and lively community of faith, that the world may see one King of glory and one kingdom of grace.
In the name of Jesus our King, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, as we come to the end of our liturgical year, we offer our thanks and pray for all the faithful who over the last year have prayed, all who have enabled our parish's worship, and all who have ministered to those around us, that are in need of any kind. May our parish of St. George and all churches continue to be places of communal prayer and ministry in the coming year.
In the name of Jesus our King, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, who displayed your power by emptying yourself of it, taking on human frailty, we pray for Charles, King of Canada, Mark the Prime

Minister, Doug the Premier of Ontario, Berry, Mayor of Kitchener, and all the leaders of the nations. Bring those who wield worldly power and authority to be proponents of peace and lovers of justice. Crown each ruler with compassion, that all peoples may live in peace.
In the name of Jesus our King, **hear our prayer**.

Almighty God, merciful monarch, look with pity on all who suffer: those with incurable disease, those unjustly imprisoned, those denied dignity, the hungry, those without shelter, those who live without hope. Direct us towards them, that their dignity might be recognized and reclaimed and that in serving them we might find that we have served Christ, himself.
In the name of Jesus our King, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, the hope of all who wait, be with all those in tribulation, those who are in the midst of worry or distress, and those in need of your healing and care (especially...). Be for them a sure defense and a rock in the midst of the storm.
In the name of Jesus our King, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, benevolent judge, we pray for all your people gathered here to seek your grace and for all those who have departed from us and now stand in your presence, (especially...). As we ready ourselves to start our Advent journey, by your mercy, prepare us all - living and departed - for the day of judgement, that we may see it as a rich and royal gift, not of wrath and fear but of hope and salvation.
In the name of Jesus our King, **hear our prayer.**

Officiant: Loving God, you have taught us that the power of the heart is greater than the power of wealth and might. Hear us as we pray for the fulfilment of your reign. We ask this through Jesus Christ our King; to whom be glory and power for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Please remain kneeling, or sitting, as you are able.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

A moment of silence is held as any sins of thought, word, deed, or omission are recalled.

Presider: Most merciful God,

People: 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.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you,

People: And also with you.

The Offertory

THE INVITATION TO OFFERING

Presider: Come, everyone whose heart is stirred and everyone whose spirit is willing, and bring the Lord's offering.

OFFERTORY: 'Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us'

1 Saviour, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

2 We are Thine, do Thou befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear, O hear us when we pray;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

3 Thou hast promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee.

4 Early let us seek Thy favour,
Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Saviour,
With Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Please remain standing, as you are able.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider: Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Eucharistic *Prayer 3*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord. You exalted him as Lord of all creation that he might present to you an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace. Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow as heaven and earth proclaim the glory of your name.

THE SANCTUS (Holy)

All: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
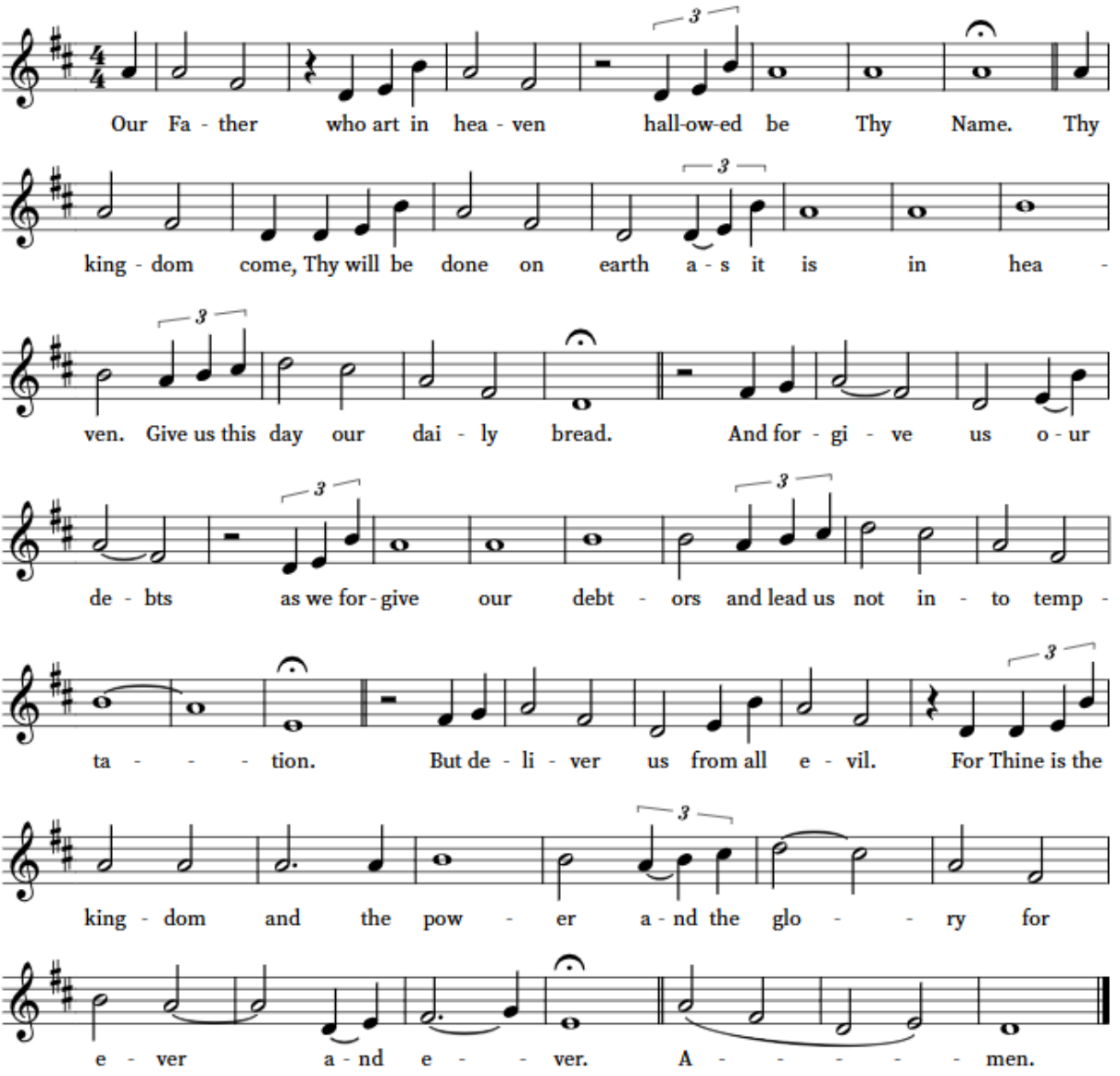
People: **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rob Aszmies



THE FRACTION RITE
THE AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)
All: 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.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION
Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE COMMUNION

Administrants: Catherine Carlson, Jennifer Millar

COMMUNION: CP #504 'Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love'

CHOIR ANTHEM

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Presider: Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
People: Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY
Presider: Glory to God,
All: 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.
THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL: CP #451 'King of Love, O Christ, We Crown You'

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

Readings for Next Sunday	
ISAIAH 64:1-9	PSALM 80:1-7, 16-18
1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9	MARK 13:24-37

Last Week's Sunday Attendance: 8:15 (32); 10:00 (80)

Givings: On the plate: $ 2,242 Auto Debit: $2,078

Sunday Smile: Our Church is like Fudge – Sweet with a Few Nuts.

Bible Study

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

Weekly Office Hours

Monday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Pastoral Care

If you are in the hospital or ill and would like a pastoral visit, please call the church office at 519-744-4751 and leave a message. If it is a Pastoral emergency, please call Fr. Brendon at 226-898-2884.

For appointments with Fr. Brendon, please feel free to email him (brendonbedford@diohuron.org) or contact the Church Office.

Coffee Hour after the 10 a.m. service:

We now have 5 teams signed up to go on a schedule for the 10 a.m. coffee hour. It would be ideal to have at least 3 more teams. If you have been

considering this, please put your name on the list in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please speak to Valerie Cuthbert (519-578-8671). Thank you

Upcoming Events – Fr. Brendon

- Monday, November 23 between 9:00 – 11:00 am - Assembling Our Christmas Tree
- Monday, November 23 between 2:00 – 4:00 pm - Decorating Our Christmas Tree
- Friday, November 27 at 12:30 pm – Ladies Lunch
- Wednesday, December 9 at 7:00 pm– Soul Sauce Christmas Concert - St. George
- Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30 pm- Soul Sauce Christmas Concert - Huether Hotel
- Saturday, December 19 at 2:00 pm - Soul Sauce Christmas Concert - Avenue Road Baptist Church
- Saturday, December 5 at 3:00 pm – Blue Christmas Service
- Sunday, December 6 at 10:00 am – All Angel Tree and Bells for Christmas must be returned.
- Sunday, December 20 at 4:00 pm – Lessons and Carols
- Thursday, December 24 at 4:00 pm – Christmas Eve Eucharist (BAS)
- Thursday, December 24 at 9:00 pm – Christmas Eve Eucharist (BAS)
- Friday, December 25 at 9:00 am – Christmas Morning Eucharist
- Sunday, December 27 at 9:00 am – Eucharist (BAS)
- Sunday, January 6 – Epiphany Hymn Sing

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assembling & Decorating Our Christmas Tree

Mark Monday November 23rd on your calendar! We will be assembling the Christmas Tree starting at 9:00 am; please see Nelson to Volunteer. Also, we will be decorating our Christmas Tree starting at 2:00 pm. There will be Christmas refreshments and Carol singing courtesy of John Shaw. Please join us if you are able.

Ladies Lunch

Ladies Lunch will Friday, November 27 at 12.30. We will meet at the Concordia Club. Please let Sue know if you plan to join us: ladieslunch.sgfh@outlook.com

ATTENTION: THE ANGEL TREE

Please return your Christmas Gifts and Grocery Vouchers for the Angel Tree and Bells for Christmas no later than: The 10:00 am service on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6th

Upcoming Soul Sauce Christmas Concerts

Soul Sauce (the 16-member jazz ensemble singing group that practises in our church) is putting on a number of Christmas concerts in December. Hope you can make one!

- **Wednesday, December 9 at 7:00 pm** – St. George's Church. No cost (free-will offerings accepted).
- **Wednesday, December 16 at 7:30 pm** – The Jazz Room, lower floor of Huether Hotel, Waterloo. Admission: $20. Doors open at 6:00 pm.
- **Saturday, December 19 at 2:00 pm** – Avenue Road Baptist Church, 465 Avenue Road, Cambridge. Sounds of Christmas-Requested cash donation at the door. Soul Sauce + the Galt Kiltie Concert Band

LiveStream Operators Needed

We have a number of worshippers who join us every Sunday on LiveStream. The numbers vary somewhat with monthly averages between 40 and 81 this calendar year with the last two months significantly higher than in the first half of this year - great! We have three Operators now (Noah Cronin, John Dale, and Nelson Cuthbert, the Coordinator). It would be good to have a couple more to volunteer for this opportunity. Training will be provided. Please speak to Nelson if you are interested. Thanks!

Advent Sign-Up Sheets

Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex. Please consider volunteering as a Reader, Greeter, Intercessor, Lay Administrator, or Server. Thank you for sharing your time and gifts!

E-transfer Donation

Support St. George's Church by sending your donation via e-transfer to stgeorgefhdonate@outlook.com. Please include a comment indicating the purpose of your donation. Thank you for your generous support!

VOLUNTEER FOR CHRISTMAS KETTLES

Share the joy of giving this Christmas! Just ONE 2-hour volunteer shift can make a big difference in supporting individuals and families in our community. Your time helps provide meals, children's programs, and family support. Together, we can bring hope and make Christmas brighter!

To volunteer, contact Hannah: hannah.aszmies@salvationarmy.ca

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Psalm 100

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