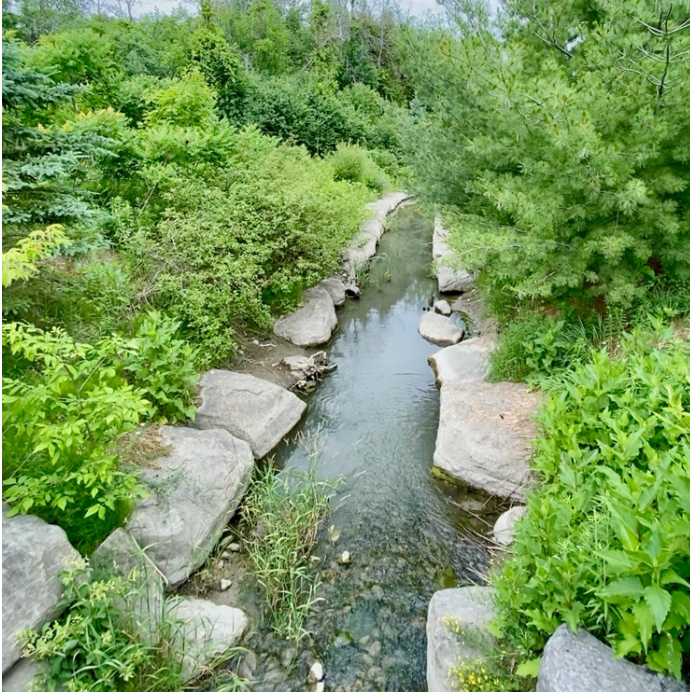


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## All Saints' Westboro



*"You opened the rock, and water flowed,  
so the river ran in the dry places.." – Psalm 105*

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## Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**In-person service that will also be recorded**

The Ven. Christopher Dunn  
The Rev. Simone Hurkmans  
The Rev. Deacon Dr. Jarrett Carty  
Music: Edith Troup  
Children and Youth: Julie Newlands

*Please Note: This service is being recorded, so if you attend in-person, there is a possibility that you may appear on the recording.*

Celebrant: Dear friends, we gather today on the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people.

**People: May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

Celebrant: O give thanks to the Lord! The Lord hears the cries of the people. Give thanks to the Lord.

**People: The works of the Lord are great. Remember what God has done. Give thanks to the Lord.**

Celebrant: God has done miracles, and the Lord always remembers God's covenant.

**People: Give thanks to the Lord. Glory and praise is due to the Lord!**

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: O God,

**People: from your providing hand even the dissatisfied and grumbling receive what they need for their lives. Teach us your ways of justice and lead us to practise your generosity, so that we may live a life worthy of the gospel made known through your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.**

### **The First Reading is from Exodus (16:2-15)**

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall

go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’” In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.”

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45**

**(read together)**

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name; make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples. Sing to the Lord, sing praises, and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord. Glory in the holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Search for the strength of the Lord; continually seek the face of God. Remember the marvels the Lord has done, the wonders and the judgements of the**

mouth of the Lord, O offspring of Abraham the servant of God, O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord . . . . You led out your people with silver and gold; in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled. Egypt was glad of their going, because they were afraid of them. You spread out a cloud for a covering and a fire to give light in the night season. They asked, and quails appeared, and you satisfied them with bread from heaven. You opened the rock, and water flowed, so the river ran in the dry places. For you, O God, remembered your holy word and Abraham your servant. So you led forth your people with gladness, your chosen with shouts of joy. You gave your people the lands of the nations, and they took the fruit of others' toil, that they might keep your statutes and observe your laws. Hallelujah!

**The Second Reading is from Philippians (1:21-30)**

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

**Reader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

*Musical Interlude*

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (20:1-16)

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

Jesus said, "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

Celebrant: Let us make an affirmation of faith. We believe in God:

**All:** who befriended a wandering people, calling them from slavery into freedom; yet who in Rahab, Tamar, Ruth, Bathsheba, Cyrus, Darius and many others called outsiders to be agents of God's purpose.

Celebrant: We believe in Jesus,

**All:** who was revered by Persian sages, sought and found asylum in Egypt, preached the love of God to Syrians, attracted Greeks to his cause, found his first evangelist in a Samaritan, saw incomparable faith in a Roman, had his cross shouldered by a Libyan, and ascended above his native land that he might be present in all places.

Celebrant: We believe in the Holy Spirit,

**All:** who at Pentecost proved that heaven has no favoured mother-tongue; who, in the baptism of an Ethiopian, denied racism a foothold in faith; and who, in the ancient and modern worlds, founded churches in different cultures.

Celebrant: We believe that God is supremely known in Jesus.

**All:** Yet we affirm that God is present among people who do not own Christ as their Lord.

Celebrant: We believe that the kingdom of God is bigger than the Church, and that the love of God is beyond our understanding.

**All:** Therefore, we celebrate that God's ways are not our ways, that God knows whom God chooses, and reserves the right to surpass all human expectation.

Prayers of the People

*(Portia Parsell Hainzelin)*

One: Let us pray together for our community and for our world, trusting in the Lord.

**All:** Seeking strength, we lift up our hearts to the Lord.

One: We pray for our leaders, as they seek to help us live our lives in a manner that reflects your love. We pray for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Bishop; Chris, Simone, and Jarrett, our clergy; and Brian, Pastor of First United.

**All: Seeking strength, we lift up our hearts to the Lord.**

One: We take comfort in your river that runs in dry places. Witnessing the effects of the voraciousness of COVID-19 across the globe, and the despair in climate changes, most recently apparent in the fires in the western U.S. and Canada, we pray that your comforting presence be felt by those personally affected. Help us to seek ways to act in solidarity with you.

**All: Seeking strength, we lift up our hearts to the Lord.**

One: We pray for all those who are suffering and in need. We pray especially at this time for those who have asked for our prayers:

**All: Betty-Joan** (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Ken** (Poisson); **Marie** (Deruga); **Brayden** (Turtle); **Heather** (Russell); **Stephen** (Walton); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Edward** (Hutchinson); **Trish** (Rowlands); **Carran** (Taylor); **Samantha** (Wood); **Sylvia** (Pierce); **Mykie** (Bradley); **Ruth** (MacDonald); **Nancy** (Irvine); **Doug** (Irvine); **Randy** (Brown); **Deirdre** (Piper); **Flo** (Warner); **Lois** (Culp); **Rebecca** (Corbin); **Margaret** (Cook); **Ruthmary** (Harris); **Etienne** (Hainzelin)

One: and those whom we name, silently or aloud . . . . We pray for all those who have died. We entrust to your loving care the recently departed, especially those whom we name silently or aloud . . . .

**All: Seeking strength, we lift up our hearts to the Lord.**

One: We rejoice and find comfort in your open invitation to take part in your Kingdom, at whatever hour of our lives. We thank you for the bread you give to us each day, in proportion to our needs. Knowing these things, help us to put one step in front of another, daily, in confidence and trust.

**All: Seeking strength, we lift up our hearts to the Lord. Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept*

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: 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.**

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

**People: And also with you.**

*Musical Interlude*

*When exchanging the Peace with your fellow parishioners, please remember that physical contact with those outside your family is not permitted during this Amber phase.*



Celebrant: God of power,

**People: the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore, we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and saying:

**People: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

**People: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!**

Celebrant: At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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." Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**People: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

**People: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!**

Celebrant: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever.

**People: Amen.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we say,

**People:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: "I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

**People:** Give us this bread for ever.

Celebrant: "I am the vine, you are the branches."

**People:** May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*During Communion, you will remain in your seats and the clergy will bring the host to you. A sidesperson will provide you will hand sanitizer before and after you remove your mask to take the host. If you are unable to receive the wheat wafer, a rice wafer is available.*

### *Musical Interlude*

Celebrant: God of peace,

**People:** in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Glory to God,

**People:** 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.

Celebrant: Rest in the knowledge that God always provides. Therefore, give and love with a generous heart,

**People:** for this honours God who is most generous and loving.

Celebrant: And the blessing . . . .

## Announcements

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*When the service ends, please remain in your seats until a sidesperson indicates that it is time for you to leave through the Richmond Road doors. The sidespeople will guide everyone, in order to maintain safe distances.*

### **Readings for Next Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

*Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16;*

*Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32*

#### *Credits:*

*Opening and Closing Prayers from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year A*

*Collect from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.*

*Readings from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.*

*Psalm reprinted from A Liturgical Psalter, General Synod 2016 edition, the psalter of the Book of Alternative Services emended for contemporary liturgical use*

*Liturgical texts from The Book of Alternative Services*

*Affirmation of faith from A Wee Worship Book, fifth edition*

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Please pray this week for:

- those ministering and worshipping in Christ Church, Aylmer;
- the Diocesan Director of Stewardship Development, Jane Scanlon;
- volunteer university and college campus chaplains;
- vocations to the priesthood and religious life;
- those in our Pastoral Care: Charles Mackie, Ida Capern, Randy Brown, and Viola Martin; and
- our sister parishes in the area, our ecumenical fellowship, our Muslim friends at the Scott St. Mosque, and other interfaith friends.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Greeters: Mary Van Leeuwen, Susan Garnham

Reader/Intercessor: Portia Parsell Hainzelin