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## All Saints' Westboro



*"bringing streams out of the cliff" – Psalm 78*

*Ithaca, New York*

*Photo by Helen Norman*

## Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 27<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.*

*Prelude: Selected short pieces (Edward Elgar)*

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: Praise the Lord who is our provider.

**People: God brought us out of bondage and has made us free.**

Celebrant: Glorious are the deeds of our God, and mighty are his acts.

**People: The Lord is our hope. Our trust is in God.**

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: God of our salvation,

**People: we falter before the demands of your word and turn away from your call to life. As you showed mercy to your people of old, pour out your mercy on us, so that we may turn from our sinfulness and walk the path of self-emptying love made known in Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**The First Reading is from Exodus (17:1-7)**

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They

are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16**

Celebrant: Hear my teaching, O my people;

**People: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.**

Celebrant: I will open my mouth in a parable;

**People: I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**

Celebrant: That which we have heard and known, and what our ancestors have told us,

**People: we will not hide from their children.**

Celebrant: We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord,

**People: who has done wonderful works . . . .**

Celebrant: God worked marvels in the sight of their ancestors,

**People: in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan,**

Celebrant: splitting open the sea and letting them pass through,

**People: making the waters stand up like walls;**

Celebrant: leading them with a cloud by day,

**People: and all the night through with the glow of fire;**

Celebrant: splitting hard rocks in the wilderness,

**People: and giving them drink as from the great deep;**

Celebrant: bringing streams out of the cliff,

**People: and the waters gushing out like rivers.**

**The Second Reading is from Philippians (2:1-13)**

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of

others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

**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 (21:23-32)

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will

of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

Celebrant: Let us make an affirmation of faith, as we say,

**All: 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.**

Prayers of the People

One: Let us pray for the needs of the world, saying, Lord in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: O God, who is ever present, you hear our cries and are ever faithful in your mercy. We come to you with our concerns for ourselves, our community, and the world. We pray for our church and its leaders: for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Bishop; Chris, Simone, and Jarrett, our clergy. Fill them with the spirit and mind of Christ so that they would serve you and others. Lord in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for those who suffer with sickness, sadness, bereavement, anxiety, or abuse. We pray especially 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, especially those whom we name silently or aloud . . . , and for those who mourn their passing. Lord in your mercy,

**All:** **hear our prayer.**

One: Loving God, we know that you walk with us, and you answer when we call. With gratitude and trust, we pray in Jesus' name.

**All:** **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.**

*Offertory: Chanson de nuit, op.15, no.1 (Edward Elgar)*

*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. Instead, share a sign of peace with others around you by other means such as bowing or waving.*

Celebrant: Eternal God,

**People: in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same 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: It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever. Therefore with angels and archangels, with the fellowship of saints and the company of heaven, we glorify your holy name, evermore 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: We praise you, merciful God, not as we ought, but as we are able, because in your tender love you gave the world your only Son, in order that the world might be saved through him. He made you known by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick, liberating the oppressed, reaching out to the lost. Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross, he confronted the power of sin and disarmed it for ever. In his offering of himself, he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Redeemed by Christ, we have been adopted as your children; by your pardon you have made us worthy to praise you. 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." In obedience to him and with grateful hearts we approach your holy table, remembering our Saviour's sacrifice, and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

**People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

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

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

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 you remove your mask to take the host, and after you have received. If you are unable to receive the wheat wafer, a rice wafer is available.*

*Communion: Largo (G.F. Handel)*

Celebrant: God in heaven,

**People: strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfill your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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: Beloved, let this mind be in you that was also in Christ Jesus.

**People: We will love the Lord and serve others for the glory of God.**

Celebrant: And the blessing . . . .

## Announcements

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Postlude: Allegro (G.P. Telemann)*

*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, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (Blessing of the Animals)**

*Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19;  
Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46*

#### *Credits:*

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

*Collect from Church of the Province of Southern Africa 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*

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#### **Please pray this week for:**

- those ministering and worshipping in St. Matthew's, Ottawa;
- the chaplain to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah;
- in our Companion Diocese, the Diocese of Jerusalem, for
  - St. Matthew's Church, Zababdeh, West Bank;
  - Theodore Schneller Chapel, Amman Jordan; and
  - the School for Boys;
- those in our Pastoral Care: Jean Chaplin, John Larsen, Bette Haining, and Amy Stremes; and
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and Debtors Anonymous that met in our facilities and continue to do so online.

# Saints Alive!

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## This Week

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Today	10:30 am	Quilt Presentation
Monday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm	Food Bank (waiting area Rm 7/8)
Thursday	5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Food Bank (waiting area Rm 7/8)

## Today

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### Quilt Presentation

As Ciarn has graduated from high school, he will be presented with a quilt to take with him wherever he goes next. Barbara Robertson will present him with his specially made quilt at the end of the in-person service.

## Upcoming Events

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### Informal Blessing of the Animals

#### Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 10:45 a.m., in the Courtyard

We invite you to bring your pets for an informal blessing by Rev. Simone after the 9:30 a.m. service. Please wear a mask and stay physically distant from those not in your bubble. If you are attending the service in person, you can bring your pets to the Church service (please let us know on the registration form if you wish to do so).

### Reading Circle

#### Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m., via Zoom

The Reading Circle is holding meetings via Zoom until further notice. If you wish to join the discussion, please contact the office: [office@allsaintswestboro.com](mailto:office@allsaintswestboro.com) to be added to the list of participants. The book this month is *The Pull of the Stars* by Emma Donoghue.

### Prayer Flag Project

A way for us to stay connected to the concerns of others during this uncertain time. Cut a piece of fabric 8.5 by 11" and write, sew or paint on your prayer. Put your completed flag in a waterproof, Ziploc bag and drop it in the mail slot in the red door in the courtyard. Prayer flags can be dropped off until Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.

## A Very Virtual Village Fair

The pandemic has caused the cancellation of many events that we all look forward to each year. Faced with the impossibility of holding our annual bazaar this year, we have opted for a virtual event. While an online event will have to be smaller, we are hoping that it will provide the same opportunity for us to work together for a common purpose.

Thanks to the efforts of the parish webmaster, Debbie Holzman, we have found software which makes it possible to order and pay online for items which can be picked up later from the church. Thank you also to our treasurer, Barbara Fisher, for facilitating this. Some manual payment methods like cash, cheques, phone orders will be available. With this software bidding is not possible so there will be set prices for items.

A virtual event means that we have to forgo some parts of the bazaar like the sit-down lunch but others will convert easily to an online platform. We anticipate that listing and photographing the items will take longer than usual so we would appreciate early notice. Please put a value on your item. Ideas and names of specific items for sale need to be sent to the convenor responsible or to the office soon after Labour Day by September 9<sup>th</sup> and will need to be at the church by October 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>, just after the Thanksgiving weekend to facilitate photographing and organizing.

For a full list of what we hope to offer can be found in the August 30<sup>th</sup> edition of Bread for the Saints. And please, watch for our updates on the All Saints' website ([www.allsaintswestboro.com](http://www.allsaintswestboro.com))

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Sidespeople: Angie Hiebert, Ciarn Smith  
Violin: Stephen Rouble  
Reader: Mary van Leeuwen

*If you'd like to register to attend next **Sunday, October 4th**, please fill out the online form (<https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/register-for-sunday-service/>) on the church website or call the church office, starting on **Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, after 9:00 am**. Be sure to leave a voicemail indicating you'd like to register as the day and time of your call is recorded and we take registrations on a first come, first served basis.*