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*The young Wood Duck, Mud Lake, Ottawa
Photo by Christopher Dunn*

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 13th, 2021

9:30 am

Zoom 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

Officiant: Dear friends, as we gather virtually, we acknowledge with gratitude the land that has been inhabited and cared for by Indigenous peoples from the beginning, and, in particular, the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people. We also recognize the contributions that Métis, Inuit, and other Indigenous peoples have made in shaping and strengthening our communities.

All: May we walk gently together on this land, seeking renewed relationship based on honour, respect, and peace.

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

All: And also with you.

Officiant: We will come to worship with abundant hope. Our worries and limitations will no longer bind us.

All: We will find joy with our faith community friends.

Officiant: In Christ, we will find the challenging path to follow.

All: Undreamt-of opportunities will open for us.

Officiant: Almighty God,

All: 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.

Officiant: Mighty God, to you belong the mysteries of the universe.

All: You transform shepherds into kings, the smallest seeds into magnificent trees, and hardened hearts into loving one. May your life-giving Spirit re-create us in your image and shape us into your purposes, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

The First Reading is from Ezekiel (17:22-24)

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

One: It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord,
All: and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

One: to tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning
All: and of your faithfulness in the night season;

One: on the psaltery, and on the lyre,
All: and to the melody of the harp.

One: For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord;
All: and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands

One: The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree,
All: and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

One: Those who are planted in the house of the Lord
All: shall flourish in the courts of our God;

One: they shall still bear fruit in old age;
All: they shall be green and succulent;

One: that they may show how upright the Lord is,
All: my rock, in whom there is no fault.

The Second Reading is from 2 Corinthians (5:6-10, 14-17)

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: My Life Flows On in Endless Song #401

My life flows on in endless song
above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm,
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Love is lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing;
it sounds and echoes in my soul;
how can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

What though the tempest 'round me roar,
I hear the truth it liveth.
What though the darkness 'round me close,
songs in the night it giveth. *Refrain*

When tyrants tremble, sick with fear,
and hear their death knells ringing;
when friends rejoice both far and near,
how can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing.
All things are mine since I am his;
how can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to Mark (4:26-34)

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." Jesus also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but Jesus explained everything in private to his disciples.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: 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 *(prepared by Susan Stewart)*

One: Loving God, you faithfully provide for our needs and your steadfast love surrounds us all our days. By sending your Son Jesus to be our Saviour, you have given us new life. Help us to remember all that you do for us. God, in your wisdom,
All: hear our prayer.

One: We pray for the church worldwide, that in this time of trial it may be a beacon of hope. We pray for our church leaders: Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; and Shane, our Bishop. In our own parish, we pray for Chris, Simone, and Jarrett, our clergy, and Brian, pastor of First United. God, in your wisdom,

All: hear our prayer.

One: We pray for the nations of the world, that oppression may come to an end and injustice cease. We pray that people everywhere may live in peace and dignity and that we may work together for the common good. Where there has been great hurt between peoples, we pray for reconciliation and healing. God, in your wisdom,

All: hear our prayer.

One: We pray for families—for parents and children that they may remain strong and resilient as the challenges of the pandemic continue. We pray for all frontline workers, researchers, public health officials, and scientists who continue to labour on our behalf. God, in your wisdom,

All: hear our prayer.

One: Life giving God, we trust that you can restore us to life. We ask for your healing and tender care for those who struggle with depression, chronic pain, or long term illness. We especially pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

All: Betty-Joan (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Brayden** (Turtle); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Nancy** (Irvine); **Randy** (Brown); **Charlie** (Cuffari); **Barbara** (Hill); **Ernest** (Betancourt); **Bart** (Beglo); **Dan** (Gates); **Steve** (Jodoin); **Tony** (Fisher); **Helen** (Miller); **Flo** (Warner); **Stan** (Lopushanski); **William** (Blackie); **John** (McGovern); **Brenda** (Fuche); **Pat** (Broome); **Marlene** (Robertson); **Irene** (Lowry)

One: and those whom we name silently or aloud. . . . God,
in your wisdom,

All: hear our prayer.

One: We pray for those whose lives have come to an end,
especially, Stephen Milroy (son of Chris Milroy) and
those we name silently and aloud We pray for
those who mourn their passing. God, in your wisdom,

All: hear our prayer.

One: Finally, dear Lord, we pray that you will sustain us
and give us good growth in our discipleship, so we
may be faithful ambassadors of Christ, sharing his
love and working for the reconciliation of the world. In
Christ's name we pray

All: Amen.

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ, let us confess our sins against
God and our neighbour, confident in God's
forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Officiant: Most merciful God,

**All: 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, 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.**

Officiant: 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 Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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

All: And also with you.

Hymn: Now the Green Blade Rises

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Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
love is come again like wheat arising green.

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

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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.

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: We will go from here as God's gardeners. We will plant seeds of hope and compassion.

All: We will nurture those young in years and those young in faith.

Officiant: We will care for those who are sick or discouraged.
All: We will harvest renewed confidence, forgiveness, and serenity.

Officiant: And the blessing

Announcements

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Readings for Next Sunday, June 20th, 2021

Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalm 19;
Philippians 4:4-9; John 1:1-18

Please pray this week for

- all those worshipping and ministering at
 - St. Alban the Martyr, Mattawa; and
 - St. Margaret of Scotland, Rutherglen;
- those in our pastoral care: Eleanor Wilson, June Kirch, and Allan and Gail McGregor; and
- Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, and Debtors Anonymous.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Reader: Sadie Earle-Budgell

Intercessor: Susan Stewart

Credits:

Opening and closing prayers from Responsive Prayers: For Every Week of the Church Year, David Sparks, Year B

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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Saints Alive!

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro
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This Week

Monday	10:00 am to 1:00 pm		Food Bank
Tuesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	7:00 pm	Town Hall on Parish Profile	Zoom
Thursday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	5:00 to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
	7:00 pm	Parish Council	Zoom
Friday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom

Upcoming Events

Morning Prayer

Tuesday to Friday ('til June 25th), at 9:00 am, via Zoom

Join Simone for Morning Prayer and start your day off right! Chris will continue sending the link in his emails.

Poetry, Portraits and Personalities in Pentecost

Thursday, June 17th, at 7:00 pm, via Zoom

This is an offering of St. John's Episcopal Cathedral in Jacksonville, Florida, co-led by Linda Privitera and Joe O'Shields. These sessions, which will take place on Thursdays through to July 15th, will include some depth and also some light-heartedness. Watch Chris's emails for the Zoom link, or contact office@allsaintswestboro.com. Each evening is self-contained, so no need to attend all.

Trivia Night Redux

Tuesday, June 22nd, 7:00 pm, via Zoom

Back by popular demand, join Simone and Debbie for a second evening of trivia! Participate on your own or as a team. Invite friends or family to join your team and come up with a team name. Team members can be physically in the same room with you or can join Zoom via a different location. We'll have quiz

questions for every age, level, and interest. Watch for the Zoom link in Chris' upcoming emails.

Stones of Lament and Contrition: Remembering the Missing Children of Residential Schools

We have been shocked and saddened at the tragic discovery of the unmarked graves of over 200 children buried at a residential school in Kamloops, BC. A new installation in our courtyard aims to visibly remember and honour these children and lament our church's role in the larger residential school legacy.

Select a stone (no larger than your hand) and paint or draw a message of hope, or lament, an image, or an abstract design. These could represent all the things these children never got to do—like swim, graduate, hunt, catch fish, snowshoe, canoe, kayak, marry, have families, learn to bead or tan hides, celebrate Christmas with their families, become jingle dancers, fire-keepers, water-keepers, drummers, teacher, lawyers, community leaders, etc.

Bring your stone to our courtyard healing forest and lay it on one of the larger stones or anywhere else in the forest. While, at first, we thought we'd aim for 215 stones to commemorate the number of children's bodies initially found in Kamloops, we know that there are countless more across our country. We will therefore welcome as many stones as people can make.



Beauty in the unexpected
Photo by Christopher Dunn