# GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH Joyfully Proclaiming in Word and Action the Hope that is Within Us

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 18, 2021

BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES
MORNING PRAYER

#### Prelude

#### **Announcements**

Officiant My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;

I know them and they follow me. John 10.27

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God,

let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All 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.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Officiant Lord, open our lips,

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

#### THE INVITATORY

Officiant The Lord is in his holy temple: O come, let us worship.

**Jubilate** *Psalm 100* 

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### THE FIRST READING

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away and you have not attended to them.

So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them and I will bring them back to their fold and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Jeremiah 23:1-6

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

# The Epistle

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" - a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands - remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

EPHESIANS 2:11-22

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# **Canticle 27 Glory to God**

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed. MARK 6:30-34, 53-56

The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily Rev. Paul

# 520 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



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# **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Apostles' Creed**

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 & Thanksgivings Litany #5

(Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer.") Let us pray for the peace of the world: the Lord grant that we may live together in justice and faith.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for this country and especially for Queen Elizabeth, Mary Simon, our first indigenous Governor General, the Prime Minister and all in authority: the Lord help them to serve this people according to his holy will.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for children and young people: the Lord guide their growth and development.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the sick: the Lord deliver them and keep them in his love. Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labour, for the sake of justice and truth: the Lord support them and keep them steadfast.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

We remember the prophets, apostles, martyrs and all who have borne witness to the gospel: the Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice.

# Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all whom we remember before you for the poor, the persecuted, the sick and all who suffer; especially today: Tom, Veronica & Heather; Kathleen; Connie; Grace; Beatrice; Michael; Bella; Pat; Jo; Murray & Martha; Elizabeth & family; Marion; Bob & Marion; Mary Jane; Sheila & Jess.

We pray for those of our loved ones who have died - rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them. For those who mourn, especially those families whose loss is recent.

We pray for those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week: Ginette Vaillancourt; Ann Valenzo; John & Shirley Vandertuin; Carol Verity; Grace Walker; Paul Waring; Lenora Warren; Rod & Nancy Watson.

Bring us all to bow before your throne in heaven, to receive life and pardon, mercy and grace for all eternity, as we worship you, saying, Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Amen.

# **Collect of the Day**

Officiant Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way

into your presence.

Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# The Lord's Prayer

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

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 them that 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.

#### The Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Officiant The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine

on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour

and grant us peace.

People Amen.

Postlude

# **Prayer for Indigenous Mass Grave Victims**

God of our Ancestors, who holds the spirits of our grandmothers and grandfathers and the spirits of our grandchildren, Remembering the Children, we now pledge ourselves to speak the Truth and with our hearts and our souls to act upon the Truth we have heard of the injustices lived, of the sufferings inflicted, of the tears cried, of the misguided intentions imposed and of the power of prejudice and racism, which were allowed to smother the sounds and laughter of the forgotten children.

Hear our cries of lament for what was allowed to happen and for what will never be.

In speaking and hearing and acting upon the Truth may we as individuals and as a nation meet the hope of a new beginning.

Great Creator God who desires that all creation live in harmony and peace,
Remembering the Children we dare to dream of a Path of Reconciliation,
where apology from the heart leads to healing of the heart
and the chance of restoring the circle, where justice walks with all,
where respect leads to true partnership,
where the power to change comes from each heart.
Hear our prayer of hope and guide this

country of Canada on a new and different path. Amen.

#### PREPARING FOR JULY 25TH:

Readings: 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145:10-19; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:1-21

If you would like to make a donation to the Window Restoration project in memory/thanksgiving, please email Helene Steer: admin@graceanglicanbrantford.ca

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS - JULY 18, 2021

#### **READERS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES**

Dear Friends: If you are interested in doing a service reading from home that can be added to our weekly worship service video please let me know. If you don't have the ability to record a video, we can also arrange to meet at the church before we record the video on Saturday. Let me know if you are interested. Thanks & blessings, Chris

#### **PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING**

We encourage you to make use of this convenient method of weekly or monthly givings. For your convenience, our new website allows you to complete the form online and submit directly to the diocese, who will credit Grace Anglican Church.

#### **GRACE CHURCH FOOD DRIVE**

Once again, many thanks to all who came out to support our food drive; your generosity is greatly appreciated!

The next Food Drive will be held next Saturday, the 31st of July

We are grateful for your help!

#### **CARD MINISTRY**

Please remember to call Candy at 519.755.9806 or email the church office, if you know of any upcoming special dates.

# COVID—19 UPDATE

While we anticipate and plan for our eventual re-opening, we feel it's safer for all to stay cautious and continue with online worship for the time being. We look forward to seeing you all once again.

Stay well and safe!

#### SYNOD NEWS

Part of Bishop Todd's charge to Synod this year was to look for new ways of reaching out to the community. Our weekly video ministry is doing that for those who can't come to church on Sunday. These videos are also available on our website. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry and helping out, please speak to Chris Levett at 519-756-4474 or email <a href="mailto:itmanager@graceanglicanbrantford.ca">itmanager@graceanglicanbrantford.ca</a>

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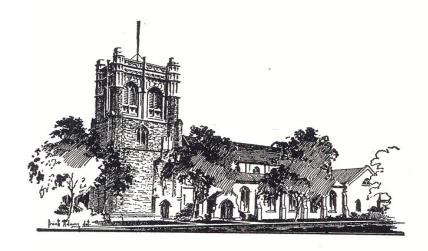
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