

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

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 25, 2021

**BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES
MORNING PRAYER**

Prelude

Announcements

Officiant A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited
His people! *Luke 7.16*

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 God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

Venite *Psalms 95.1–7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his for he made it and his hands have moulded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Reader: A Reading from 2 Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

2 Kings 4:42-44

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:10-19

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD, and all your faithful shall bless you.

They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

The Epistle

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

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. EPHESIANS 3:14-21

The word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 26 You are God

You are God: we praise you; you are the Lord: we acclaim you;
you are the eternal Father: all creation worships you.
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:
Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all
Worship and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
You, Christ, are the King of Glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down."

Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

JOHN 6:1-21

The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

Rev. Paul

Hymn: Heavenly Father, Lead Us

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1 Lead us, heaven - ly Fa - ther, lead us o'er the world's tem -
 2 Sav - iour, breathe for - give - ness o'er us; all our weak - ness
 3 Spir - it of our God, de - scend - ing, fill our hearts with

pes - tuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
 thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth be - fore us,
 heaven - ly joy, love with ev - ery pas - sion blend - ing,

for we have no help but thee; yet pos - sess - ing
 thou didst feel its keen - est woe; lone and drea - ry,
 plea - sure that can nev - er cloy; thus pro - vid - ed,

ev - ery bless - ing if our God our Fa - ther be.
 faint and wear - y, through the des - ert thou didst go.
 par - doned, guid - ed, noth - ing can our peace de - stroy.

Text: James Edmeston (1791–1867).
 Music: Melody Friedrich Flitz (1804–1876); adapt. Thomas Binney (1798–1874);
 harm. Lowell Mason (1792–1872), alt.

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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 #6

(As we stand in God's presence, let us pray to the Lord, saying,
"Lord, have mercy.")

For the whole People of God, that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our families and friends, that the Lord will give them joy and satisfaction in all that they do, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true growth and well-being, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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; Elizabeth & family; Marion; Bob & Marion; Mary Jane; Sheila & Jess, John & Elizabeth.

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:
Harold & Marcella William; Paul & Debbie Williams; Brenton, Mekcal & Bryson Williamson; Walter, Carolyn, Joshua & Zachary Wolanski.

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 O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**All 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.

**Readings for August 1st: Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; Psalm 78:24-30 (BCP)
Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35**

*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 25, 2021

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 1ST

We will be sending a link to services for next Sunday, August 1st.

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.

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

We are excited to announce that Grace Church will be open for in person worship starting on September 19th. Details will be forthcoming and proper Covid-19 protocols will be in place.

We are hopeful that Wednesday Worship will start around the same time, details to follow.

SYNOD NEWS

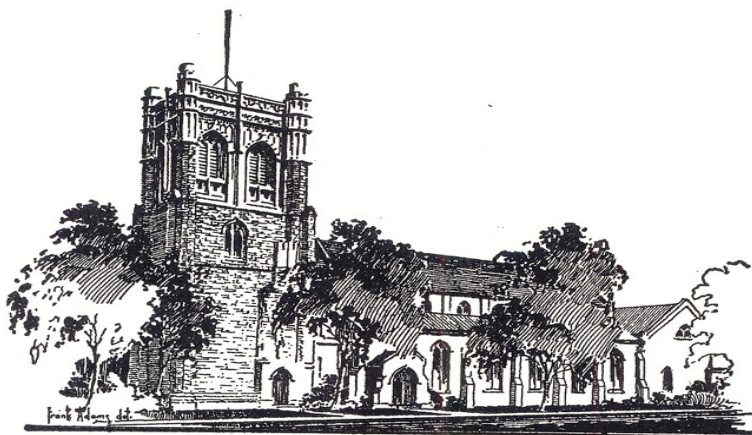
Part of Bishop Todd's charge to Synod this year was to look for new ways of reaching out to the community. Our weekly video ministry is doing that for those who can't come to church on Sunday. These videos are also available on our website. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry and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

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We are a fully accessible, child friendly community.*



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