



St. George on Yonge Anglican

November 19, 2023

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 33)

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

Welcome

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*He Hid His Lord's Money
St Edward the Martyr's Church, Corfe Castle, Dorset*

The Gathering of the Community

Opening Hymn #322 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Text by Edward Perronet

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| <p>1 All hail the power of Jesus’ name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.</p> <p>2 Hail him, the heir of David’s line,
whom David Lord did call,
the God incarnate, life divine,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.</p> <p>3 Crown him, you martyrs of your God,
who from his altar call;
praise him whose burning path you trod,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.</p> | <p>4 Sinners, whose love can ne’er forget
the wormwood and the gall,
go, spread your trophies at his feet,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.</p> <p>5 Let every tongue and every tribe,
delivered from the fall,
to Christ all majesty ascribe,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.</p> <p>6 O that, with heaven’s sacred throng,
we at his feet may fall,
lift high the universal song,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.</p> |
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Greeting and Collect for Purity

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

People **And also with you.**

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.**

Glory to God [Hymn #686]

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Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

People **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 Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God,

People **you sent your Son Jesus Christ
to be the light of the world.**

**Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us,
and bring us to eternal light and joy;
through the power of him**

**who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002)

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Judges 4:1–7

Reader A reading from the Book of Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Haroshethhagoiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 123

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber

Tune Hymn #363 Duke Street

1 To you, O Lord, I lift my eyes,
 To you enthroned in heaven above;
 As servants wait their masters' will,
 So we look up and wait God's love.

2 Have mercy on us now, O Lord,
 Contempt has been our lot too long;
 Too long have we been mocked and scorned,
 Derided by the proud and strong.

Second Reading:

I Thessalonians 5:1–11

Reader A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia**The Holy Gospel**

Matthew 25:14–30

Subdeacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Subdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one

talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time, the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

The Apostle's Creed

Hymn #44 "I Believe in God Almighty"

Paraphrase by Sylvia G. Dunstan

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| <p>1 I believe in God almighty,
 Father of all things that be,
 maker of the earth and heavens,
 keeper of the sky and sea.
 I believe in God's Son, Jesus,
 now for us both Lord and Christ,
 of the Spirit and of Mary
 born to bring abundant life.</p> | <p>2 I believe that Jesus suffered,
 scourged and scorned and crucified;
 taken from the cross, was buried—
 true life there had truly died.
 I believe that on the third day
 Christ was raised up from the grave,
 then ascended to God's right hand.
 He will come to judge and save.</p> |
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3 I believe in God's own Spirit,
bonding all the saints within
one Church, catholic, and holy,
where forgiveness frees from sin;

in the body's resurrection,
for the breaking of death's chain
gives the life that's everlasting:
this the faith that I have claimed.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Confession and Absolution

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Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his 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. **Amen.**

The Peace

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Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #378 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Text by Matthew Bridges & Godfrey Thring

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem
drowns
all music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life,
 who triumphed o'er the grave,
 and rose victorious in the strife
 for those he came to save.
 His glories now we sing
 who died and rose on high,
 who died eternal life to bring,
 and lives that death may die.

4 Crown him the Lord of love;
 behold his hands and side,
 rich wounds yet visible above,
 in beauty glorified.

3 Crown him the Lord of peace,
 whose power a sceptre sways
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
 absorbed in prayer and praise.
 His reign shall know no end;
 and round his piercèd feet
 fair flowers of paradise extend
 their fragrance ever sweet.

All hail, Redeemer, hail!
 for thou hast died for me;
 thy praise shall never, never fail
 throughout eternity.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.
 Holy God,

People **in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer 1

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 that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*People*Michael
Leach*Celebrant*

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.

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer [Michael Leach]

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People

Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And 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.

The Breaking of the Bread #1

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Celebrant "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

People **Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

People **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us, have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

The Communion

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Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Celebrant Dear friends, if you are present or elsewhere and are unable to receive the sacrament at this time, I invite you to join me and the whole church in spiritual communion to receive Christ, who is present in this Sacrament of the Altar. Let us pray.

People **Lord Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, gathered in spirit, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness; and, by the power of your liberating love, overthrow all that threatens or disrupts the justice and truth of the reign of God. In your name I pray. Amen.**

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Hymns

Hymn #601 "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Text by Robert L. Edwards

1 God, whose giving knows no ending,
from your rich and endless store—
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door—

gifted by you, we turn to you,
offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious Donor of our days.

- 2 Skills and time are ours for pressing
toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom,
races joined, the Church made one.
Now direct our daily labour,
lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants
fit to answer at your throne.
- 3 Treasure, too, you have entrusted,
gain through powers your grace
conferred,
ours to use for home and kindred,
and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.

Hymn #585 "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

Text by Albert Frederick Bayly

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
every gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your Spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and
greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and
burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.

Hymn #64 "Author of Life Divine"

Text by John Wesley

- 1 Author of life divine,
who hast a table spread,
furnished with mystic wine
and everlasting bread,
preserve the life thyself hast given,
preserve the life thyself hast given,
and feed and train us up for heaven.
- 2 Our needy souls sustain
with fresh supplies of love,
till all thy life we gain,
and all thy fulness prove,
and, strengthened by thy perfect grace,
and, strengthened by thy perfect grace,
behold without a veil thy face.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Gracious God,

People **in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light,
and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.**

Doxology [Michael Leach]

People **Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.**

Blessing

Recessional Hymn #351 "Rejoice in God, All Earthly Lands"

Psalm 100; paraphrase by Ruth Duck

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| <p>1 Rejoice in God, all earthly lands,
and lift your hands in song and prayer.
Delight to live by God's commands;
sing joyful praises everywhere.</p> | <p>3 Like sheep, we wander without aim
unless our shepherd's voice is heard.
In trust we call upon God's name
for daily bread and gracious word.</p> |
| <p>2 Know this: we serve the Holy One,
to whom our restless souls belong.
We have our breath through God alone,
to whom we raise our grateful song.</p> | <p>4 On God, our Maker, we depend
for love that's gracious, strong, and
sure.
God's faithfulness shall never end;
from age to age it shall endure.</p> |

Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please join us for coffee hour in the parish hall following the service.

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24;

Psalm 100;

Ephesians 1:15-23;

Matthew 25:31-46

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle

Chimereze A / Dr. William A / Ravi A / Paul A / Etoann A

Celebrant & Preacher	Fr. Ian LaFleur	Videographer	Egan Done
Subdeacon	Doug Heyes	Usher	Ann-Marie Waithe Powell
Intercessor	Geraldine Sperling	Altar Guild	Nancy Dodsworth
Reader	Hazel Perkin	Welcome Desk	Ravi Andrews
Music	Michael Leach	Coffee Hour Hosts	Julie Thaker, Ann-Marie Waithe Powell

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.