



# St. George on Yonge Anglican

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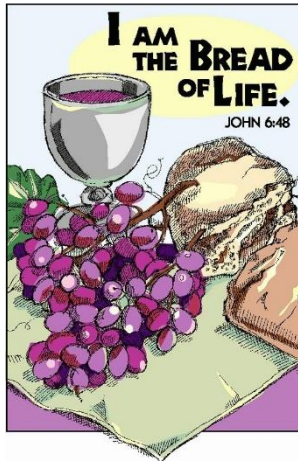
August 4, 2024

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 18)

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

## *Welcome*

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### The Gathering of the Community

**Processional Hymn #59** “Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him” Text by John L. Bell & Graham Maule

- 1 Jesus calls us here to meet him,  
as through word and song and  
prayer  
we affirm God’s promised presence  
where his people live and care.  
Praise the God who keeps his promise;  
praise the Son who calls us friends;  
praise the Spirit who, among us,  
to our hopes and fears attends.
- 2 Jesus calls us to confess him  
Word of life and Lord of all,  
sharer of our flesh and frailness,  
saving all who fail or fall.  
Tell his holy human story;  
tell his tales that all may hear;  
tell the world that Christ in glory  
came to earth to meet us here.
- 3 Jesus calls us to each other:  
found in him are no divides.  
Race and class and sex and language—  
such are barriers he derides.  
Join the hand of friend and stranger;  
join the hands of age and youth;  
join the faithful and the doubter  
in their common search for truth.
- 4 Jesus calls us to his table  
rooted firm in time and space,  
where the Church in earth and heaven  
finds a common meeting place.  
Share the bread and wine, his body;  
share the love of which we sing;  
share the feast for saints and sinners  
hosted by our Lord and King.

#### **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.

#### **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.

*People* **Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Exodus 16:2-4,9-15

*Reader* A reading from Exodus.

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

<sup>4</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.'

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, ‘Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, “Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.”’ <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The Lord spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>‘I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, “At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.”’

<sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 51:1–11

Arrangement by Christopher L. Webber  
Tune Hymn #14 Tallis’s Canon

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| <p>1    Have mercy in your goodness, Lord,<br/>And in your grace, forgive my sin;<br/>Wash me from evil through and through,<br/>Cleanse me, O Lord, without, within.</p> | <p>4    For deep within you look for truth,<br/>In secret make me understand;<br/>Purge out my sin and I shall be<br/>Pure as your holy laws demand.</p> |
| <p>2    All my transgressions, Lord, I know,<br/>I see my sin both day and night;<br/>Against you only have I sinned,<br/>Done what is evil in your sight.</p>            | <p>5    Tell me of joy and gladness that<br/>My broken body may have ease;<br/>Lord, hide your face from all my sin,<br/>Blot out all my iniquities.</p> |
| <p>3    So when you speak, Lord, it is just;<br/>Your judgments all reveal the truth;<br/>I have been wicked from my birth,<br/>A sinner even from my youth.</p>          |  |

Second Reading:

Ephesians 4:1–16

*Reader*     A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup> But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup> Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;  
he gave gifts to his people.'

<sup>9</sup> (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup> The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup> We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup> But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

### **Gradual Hymn "Alleluia"**

Holy Gospel:

John 6:24–35

*Celebrant*   The Lord be with you.

*People*     **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*   The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

<sup>24</sup> So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup> Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup> Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup> So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" <sup>31</sup> Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave

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them bread from heaven to eat.”<sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.<sup>33</sup> For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”<sup>34</sup> They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

<sup>35</sup> Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty . . .”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon: The Rev. Canon Sr. Constance Joanna Gefvert

*A time for silent reflection is kept.*

### The Nicene Creed

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*Celebrant* Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*People* **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### 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 #565 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"** Text by William Williams

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| <p>1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, *<br/>pilgrim through this barren land.<br/>I am weak, but thou art mighty;<br/>hold me with thy powerful hand.<br/>Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,<br/>feed me till I want no more,<br/>feed me till I want no more.</p>                   | <p>3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,<br/>bid my anxious fears subside;<br/>death of death, and hell's<br/>destruction,<br/>land me safe on Canaan's side:<br/>songs of praises, songs of praises,<br/>I will ever give to thee,<br/>I will ever give to thee.</p> |
| <p>2 Open now the crystal fountain<br/>whence the healing stream doth flow;<br/>let the fire and cloudy pillar<br/>lead me all my journey through.<br/>Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,<br/>be thou still my strength and shield,<br/>be thou still my strength and shield.</p> |   |

## The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **God our sustainer,  
accept all we offer you this day, and feed us continually with that bread which  
satisfies all hunger, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## Eucharistic Prayer #2

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*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* We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*People* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of  
your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Michael  
Leach

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.



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We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, 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 #2**

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*Celebrant* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*People* **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

### **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.**

*All baptised Christians are invited to share in Communion. If you would rather not receive the bread and wine, please feel free to come forward for a blessing.*

**Communion Hymn #60 "I Come with Joy"**

Text by Brian Wren

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| 1 | I come with joy, a child of God,<br>forgiven, loved, and free,<br>the life of Jesus to recall,<br>in love laid down for me.                      | 4 | The spirit of the risen Christ,<br>unseen but ever near,<br>is in such friendship better<br>known,<br>alive among us here.           |
| 2 | I come with Christians far and near<br>to find, as all are fed,<br>the new community of love<br>in Christ's communion bread.                     | 5 | Together met, together bound,<br>by all that God has done,<br>we'll go with joy, to give the<br>world<br>the love that makes us one. |
| 3 | As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,<br>each proud division ends.<br>That love that made us makes us one,<br>and strangers now are friends. |   |  |

**Prayer after Communion***Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **God of grace,  
we have shared in the mystery of the body and blood of Christ. May we who  
have tasted the bread of life live with you for ever. We ask this in the name of  
Jesus Christ our Lord. 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****Prayer for Birthdays and Anniversaries**

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## Recessional Hymn #485 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Text by Charles Wesley

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| 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,<br>joy of heaven to earth come down,<br>fix in us thy humble dwelling;<br>all thy faithful mercies crown. | 4 Thee we would be always blessing,<br>serve thee as thy hosts above,<br>pray and praise thee without ceasing,<br>glory in thy perfect love.       |
| 2 Jesus, thou art all compassion;<br>pure, unbounded love thou art;<br>visit us with thy salvation,<br>enter every trembling heart.           | 5 Finish, then, thy new creation;<br>pure and spotless let us be;<br>let us see thy great salvation<br>perfectly restored in thee,                 |
| 3 Come, almighty to deliver;<br>let us all thy life receive;<br>suddenly return, and never,<br>nevermore thy temples leave.                   | 6 Changed from glory into glory,<br>till in heaven we take our place,<br>till we cast our crowns before thee,<br>lost in wonder, love, and praise. |

### Dismissal

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

***Please join us for refreshments following the service.***

<b>Today's Scripture Readings</b>	<b>Next Sunday's Scripture Readings</b>
<b>Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost</b> Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 / 2 Samuel 11:26—12:13a Psalm 51:1-13 Eph 4:1-16 John 6:24-35	<b>Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost</b> 2 Sam 18:5-9,15,31-33 Psalm 130 Eph 4:25—5:2 John 6:35,41-51

**We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .**

**Congregation Cycle**

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Gefvert

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