



St. George on Yonge Anglican

October 29, 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 30)

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

Welcome

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LOVE THE LORD
YOUR GOD WITH
ALL YOUR *heart*
& WITH ALL YOUR *soul*
AND WITH ALL YOUR
Mind.

MATTHEW 22:37

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The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #347: The God of Abraham Praise

Text by The Yigdal of Daniel ben Judah;
paraphrase by Thomas Olivers & from Hymns for Today's Church

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| 1 The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting Days, and God of
love;
Jehovah, great I AM!
by earth and heaven confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name forever
blest. | 4 Triumphant hosts on high
give thanks eternally
and “Holy, holy, holy” cry, “great Trinity!”
Hail Abraham’s God and ours!
One mighty hymn we raise:
all power and majesty be yours and endless
praise! |
| 2 The great I AM has sworn;
I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagle wings upborne, to
heaven ascend.
I shall behold God’s face;
I shall God’s power adore,
and sing the wonders of God’s grace for
evermore. | |

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.

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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.

Lord God our redeemer,

People **who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Bethpeor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 90:1–6, 13-17

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.**
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
“Go back, O child of earth.”
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like
yesterday when it is past
and like a watch in the night.**
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream;
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and
withered.**
- 13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry?
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the
morning;
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the
days of our life.**
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days
that you afflicted us
and the years in which we suffered
adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works
and your splendour to their children.**
- 17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God
be upon us;
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

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

Second Reading:

I Thessalonians 2:1–8

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE THESSALONIANS

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Holy Gospel:

Matthew 22:34–46

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.**

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.*People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

*A time for silent reflection is kept.***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.**

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

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

Text by Charles Wesley

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

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

God of constant love,

People **you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

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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

Michael Leach

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.

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.

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.**

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 #48 "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"**

Text from the Liturgy of St. James; translation by Gerard Moultrie

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| <p>1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for, with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to us approacheth,
our full homage to demand.</p> | <p>2 King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.</p> |
| <p>3 Rank on rank the host of heaven</p> | <p>4 At his feet the six-wingèd seraph,</p> |

spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!”

Hymn #66 “And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love”

Text by William Bright

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| <p>1 And now, O Father, mindful of the love
that bought us, once for all, on
Calvary’s tree,
and having with us him that pleads
above,
we here present, we here spread forth
to thee
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,
the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.</p> <p>2 Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
and only look on us as found in him;
look not on our misusings of thy grace,
our prayer so languid, and our faith so
dim.
For lo! Between our sins and their
reward
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.</p> | <p>3 And then for those, our dearest and our
best,
by this prevailing presence we appeal:
O fold them closer to thy mercy’s breast;
O do thine utmost for their souls’ true
weal;
from tainting mischief keep them pure
and clear,
and crown thy gifts with strength to
persevere.</p> <p>4 And so we come: O draw us to thy feet,
most patient Saviour, who canst love
us still;
and by this food, so awesome and so
sweet,
deliver us from every touch of ill.
In thine own service make us glad and
free,
and grant us nevermore to part with
thee.</p> |
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Hymn #553 “Ubi Caritas et Amor” | John 4:16b; English paraphrase from Taizé Community (France)

Latin text

Ubi caritas et amor,
ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

English text

Live in charity and steadfast love,
live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Repeat as needed.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

God our guide,

People **you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; 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

Recessional Hymn: Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Text by James Montgomery

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| <p>1 Hail to the Lord's anointed,
great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free,
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.</p> <p>4 O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest,
from age to age more glorious,
all-blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
his covenant remove.
His name shall stand forever:
that name to us is Love.</p> | <p>2 He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth.
Before him on the mountains
shall peace the herald go,
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.</p> |
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Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please join us for refreshments following the service.

<p>Today's Scripture Readings</p> <p>Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm 90:1-6,13-17 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46</p>	<p>Next Sunday's Scripture Readings</p> <p>All Saints` Sunday Wis 3:1-9 or Is 25:6-9 Psalm 24 Rev 21:1-6a John 11:32-44</p>
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We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle
 Maxwell & Anne W / Jack and Sylvia Y / Kay Y & Kira L / Grazyna Z / Raphael O

<p>Celebrant & Preacher Rev. Ian LaFleur</p> <p>Subdeacon Doug Heyes</p> <p>Intercessor Doug Heyes</p> <p>Reader Hazel Perkin</p> <p>Videographer Egan Done</p>	<p>Music Geraldine Sperling</p> <p>Usher Ann-Marie Waithe Powell</p> <p>Altar Guild Nancy Dodsworth</p> <p>Welcome Desk</p> <p>Coffee Hour Hosts</p> <p>Counters Richard Snider, Carolyn Poonwo</p>
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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.

Daylight Saving Time Ends NEXT Sunday. Please remember to set your clocks **BACK** one hour before you go to bed on Saturday.