

ST. JAMES' ANGLICAN CHURCH

Harvest Thanksgiving

October 10, 2022

Incumbent: The Reverend Canon John Anderson

Director of Music: Jeff Campbell

Seasons of Creation
Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

Scripture readings will be found in the NIV red colour bible, and the hymn numbers correspond to the blue Common Praise, both found in your pews.

Prelude "Ash Grove" with "Thanks Be to God" (Arioso)
Jeff Campbell, organ

A.L. Page

Opening Hymn 262 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

St. George's, Windsor

Welcome

Gathering of the Community

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you;

And also with you.

We say sorry for the wrong we have done against God, the whole world, and our neighbour. As we prepare to celebrate, let us call to mind our sins and the sins of our society in the misuse of God's creation.

God has blessed us, but still God's children go hungry; Lord have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still the poor cry out for justice; Christ have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

God has blessed us, but still we see inequality and oppression in the earth; Lord have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of Love bring us back to himself, forgive our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn 465 “Here in This Place”

Gather Us In

Gathering Prayer

Eternal God, You crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us."

When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the

Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11

Hear what the Spirit says to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9

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Gospel Acclamation Hymn 428 "God Who Gives to Life It's Goodness" Verse 1
Abbot's Leigh

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" 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. 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." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him

whom he has sent." 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? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" 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. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." 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." JOHN 6:25-35

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Acclamation Hymn 428 "God Who Gives to Life It's Goodness" Verse 1
Abbot's Leigh

Sermon The Reverend Canon John Anderson

Anthem "Many Gifts, One Spirit" *Arr. M. L. Lightfoot*
The St James' Choir and Guests

All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; we thank you God, we thank you God for all your gifts and all your deeds, and for your love. Many gifts, one Spirit, in grateful song our voices raise. Many gifts, one Spirit, our thankful hearts sing joyful praise.

All good gifts are simple gifts bestowed by God's loving care; and may we use these precious gifts to help, inspire, reach out, and love. So many gifts to share! Many gifts, one Spirit, in grateful song our voices raise. Many gifts, one Spirit, our thankful hearts sing joyful praise.

God is the only Maker of all things near and far; painting the wayside flower and lighting the evening star. Blessing us with the sunshine and soft, refreshing rain. With heart and voice we sing and rejoice for all good gifts, for all God's love, for simple gifts.

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free, 'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be, and when we find ourselves in the place just right, 'twill be in the valley of love and delight!

Many gifts, one Spirit, in grateful song our voices raise. Many gifts, one Spirit, our thankful hearts sing joyful praise! Give thanks for all good gifts, give thanks for all good gifts. Oh, we thank you, God, we thank you, God, for simple gifts.

Affirmation of Faith : Hear, O Israel

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

This is the first and the greatest commandment. The second is like it; Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

Musical Meditation Hymn 360 "Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Taize Community

Sung Twice

Prayers of the People

Beth Morum

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Confession and Absolution BAS pg. 191

The Peace

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

(All may exchange a sign of peace with a bow, a smile but please no physical contact)

Offertory Hymn 259 “For the Fruit of All Creation”

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The Celebration of the EucharistThe Prayer over the Offering

Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion over all things. Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer #4 (BAS pg. 201)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

All **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

All **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

All **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a

Celebrant Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

All **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Communion

The gifts of God the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei Hymn 690

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

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn "Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart"
see back of bulletin for music

Give Thanks

Hymn 258 "We Plough the Fields"

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Prayer after Communion

God of our hope, in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings. Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God Glory to God,

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

Blessing

God the Father, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of His creation. **Amen.**

God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as labourers into His harvest. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation, help you to bear His fruits of love, joy and peace **Amen.**

The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Recessional Hymn 399 “Now Thank We All Our God”

Nun Danket

Dismissal

Tend the earth, care for God’s creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

We wish to thank Christina Bosco, Peter Corbasson and the St. James Choir for sharing their musical gifts with us this morning.

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Liturgy for Use During the Season of Creatiiontide, Diocese of Guilford, pp. 38-39*

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