

St. James Anglican Church

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost and Canada Day

Sunday, June 28th, 2026

Holy Eucharist – 10 a.m.

Celebrant & Homilist: The Ven. John Anderson

Guest Musician: Blair Bailey

Prelude

Processional Hymn #416 (CP) “All Things Bright and Beautiful “

Welcome

Hymns #659 (CP) “O Canada”

#660 (CP) “God Save Our Gracious King”

The Gathering of the Community

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

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.

Gathering Prayer

Almighty God, whose wisdom and whose love are over all, accept the prayers we offer for our nation. Give integrity to its citizens and wisdom to those in authority, that harmony and justice may be secured in obedience to your will; through Jesus Christ or Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading from Psalm 85: 7-13

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

Refrain: Peace shall be a pathway for his feet

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading Colossians 3: 12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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The Gospel

Before the Gospel #715 (CP) "Alleluia"

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the

name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.' (*Matthew 10: 40-42*)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel # 715 (CP) "Alleluia"

Sermon: The Ven. John Anderson

Affirmation of Faith Apostle's Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

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.

Prayers of the People Beth Morum, Lay-Reader

Confession and Absolution

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.

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.**

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn #645 (CP) "Come Down, Thou Love Divine

Prayer before Communion

Judge eternal, accept all we offer you this day, and grant to our nation unity and peace. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise, because, in the mystery you disclose to us, you reveal your glory as the glory of your Son and the Holy Spirit: three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour. Yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. Therefore, with all the company of heaven we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

I am the bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.

Give us this bread for ever

I am the vine, you are the branches.

May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

Invitation to the Table

So, come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more. You who have been to this sacrament often, and you who have not been for a long time. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God

#747 (CP) "Jesus, Lamb of God"

Schubert/Proulx

Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, grant us thy peace.

The Communion

All are welcome to receive communion. If you do not wish communion but a blessing, please cross your arms, and the priest will bless you. In the Anglican tradition, wine is administered from a chalice or common cup. If you do not wish to receive from the chalice, you can cross your arms, and the words of institution will be said. We do not practice intinction or dipping the bread in the cup.

Communion Hymns

#649 (CP) "Breathe On Me Breathe of God'

#63 (CP) "Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup" (Chorus)

Prayer after Communion

God of love, may we who have taken holy things grow in unity and peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Glory to God,

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

Announcements

Closing Hymn #428 (CP) "How Great Thou Art"

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