# Welcome to St. Paul's



## Sunday September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Pentecost 17 in the Season of Creation

## Holy Communion at 8:30am

Book of Common Prayer BCP (small, burgundy red book) Presiding The Rev. Lynn Mitchell Lay Reader Julie Case Holy Eucharist at 10:00am

Book of Common Prayer BCP (burgundy book) Book of Alternative Services BAS (green book) Common Praise CP (large blue hymnal) Sing a New Creation SNC (small blue hymnal) Presiding & Preaching The Rev. Lynn Mitchell+ Honorary Assistant The Rev. Ted Guthrie+ Lay Reader Karen Brown Music Director Malcolm Gillis Duty Warden Patricia Birtch-Guirandou

## Come, Let Us Worship

We acknowledge that we gather this day on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, and Huron Wendat peoples. **May we always dwell on this land with respect and in peace.** 



## Holy Communion

Book of Common Prayer beginning on page 67

## The Holy Eucharist The Gathering of the Community

**Opening Hymn** CP#37 We'll Sing in the Morning

The Greeting

In the name of God, who creates all things, the name of Jesus Christ, born on this Earth as one of us, and the name of the Spirit who envelops our planet.

#### Holy! Holy! Holy! Earth is filled with God's presence.

Christ, we come into your presence today, to worship in this sanctuary called Earth,

#### Holy! Holy! Holy! Earth is filled with your presence.

<u>The Creation Collect for the Day</u> God of all creation, your spirit dances throughout the earth. You give drink to the trees, shade for the birds, bread for the hungry, you bring life and make all things holy. Flood us with your grace, so we may sow seeds of love, justice and beauty, and reflect your kingdom here on earth. We ask this through Christ your Son, Jesus Christ Amen.

## The Proclamation of the Word

#### The 1st Reading Proverbs 1: 20 -33 Read by Ann McDowell

<sup>20</sup> Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.<sup>21</sup> At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 22 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? <sup>23</sup>Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. <sup>24</sup> Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, <sup>25</sup> and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, <sup>26</sup> I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, <sup>27</sup> when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. <sup>28</sup> Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. <sup>29</sup> Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the Lord, <sup>30</sup> would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, <sup>31</sup> therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. <sup>32</sup> For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; <sup>33</sup> but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.

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

#### The Psalm 19

1 The heavens declare the glory of God,

\* and the firmament shows the handiwork of the Lord.

2 One day tells its tale to another,

\* and one night imparts knowledge to another.

3 Although they have no words or language,

\* and their voices are not heard,

4 their sound has gone out into all lands,

\* and their message to the ends of the world.

5 In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun;

\* it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again;

\* nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \* the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \* the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;

\* the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. 10 More to be desired are they than gold, \* more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

11 By them also is your servant enlightened,

\* and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often they offend?

\* Cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;

\* let them not get dominion over me;

then shall I be whole and sound,

\* and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in your sight; \* **O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.** 

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading James 3: 1-12 Read by Ian Coombe

**3** Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes

no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup> but no one can tame the tongue – a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing.

My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup> Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup> Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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The Gospel Hymn	CP#414	God of the Sparrow
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The Gospel Mark 8: 27 -38

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

#### The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>27</sup> Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' <sup>28</sup> And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' <sup>29</sup>He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' <sup>30</sup> And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. <sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup> But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' <sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup> Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38 Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

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

#### The Homily

#### Affirmation of Faith for the Season of Creation

Let us affirm our faith together.

**Women** We believe that God creates all things, renews all things, and celebrates all things.

**Men** We believe Earth is a sanctuary, a sacred planet filled with God's presence, a home for us to share with our kin.

**Women** We believe that God became flesh and blood, became a part of Earth, a human being called Jesus Christ, who

lived and breathed and spoke among us, suffered and died on a cross, for all human beings and for all creation.

**Men** We believe that the risen Jesus is the Christ at the core of creation reconciling all things to God, renewing all creation, and filling the cosmos.

**Women** We believe the Spirit renews life in creation, groans in empathy with a suffering creation, and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.

**Together** We believe that with Christ we will rise and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation. Amen.

#### The Prayers of the People

We pray for Jacqueline, Ann, Scott, Lorna, Gert, Conor, Lynda, Bob & Eleanor, Thelma, Betty, Fred, Marion, Shelagh, Jen, Tootsie, Scott, Rob, Ruth, Marion F., Sandra, Fred D., Shirley, Susan, Mary, Roger, Aaron, Jane, Karen, Peter, Glenda, Ian, Janie, Michelle, Elizabeth, Michael, Ken and Bonnie.

We pray for those known to us alone, and those known only to God.

#### **Confession & Absolution**

Merciful and sustaining God, we have sinned against you. We confess our lack of gratitude for the beauty and bounty of your creation: teach us to see that your earth sustains us and all that lives. We confess that we have misused your earth: grant us amendment of life. We confess that we have been intemperate in our appetites: strengthen us in self-control. We confess that we have taken the abundance of your world for granted: make us urgent now for its protection. Forgive and renew us now through our Savior Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

**Offertory Hymn** CP **#**429 For the Beauty of the Earth

Prayer Over the Gifts Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #4 page 201 in the BAS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 

The Eucharistic Prayer continues ....

*Refrain* Glory to you, for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory in their unending hymn:

SNC #212

#### Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory, Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! (X2)

Blessed, blessed, blessed, blessed is the one coming in the name, the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! (X2) The Eucharistic Prayer continues ....

...through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all. **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.** 

The Lord's Prayer

CP#744

The Breaking of the Bread

We bread this bread to share in the body of Christ. We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God CP#747

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy upon us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy upon us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

#### The Communion

All are welcome to receive the bread and wine of the Eucharist, as this is Christ's Table, and Christ is our Host. If you do not wish to receive communion, you may come forward for a blessing. Gluten free wafers are also offered.

**Communion Hymn** CP#543 Unto the Hills around Do I Lift Up?

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

The Blessing

**Closing Hymn** CP#575 Let Streams of Living Justice

#### The Dismissal

Let us go in peace to serve God, one another, and to care for the earth. Thanks be to God!



**2024 Photo Directory** If you haven't booked your appointment vet, please call Kerey Bolton at 613-213-2795 or kereybolton@yahoo.ca

Ladies Potluck Supper September 19th 5pm in the Parish Hall This is a social time for all the ladies of the church! Sponsored by the ACW



Save the date on your calendar -September 21, 2024. The **Diocese of Ontario Green Group** will be hosting their second annual diocesan gathering at Christ Church Cataraqui. The



renowned climate activist Aric McBay will be our guest speaker at the 2nd Annual Celebration for Parish Green Groups and interested individuals.

This event will be held at Christ Church Cataraqui on September 21st at 10:00 am. Come early (9:30 am) for coffee and muffins. There will be a time to share your creation care ideas

and experiences so come prepared to share with the others present.



St. Paul's Yard Sale Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 9am – 1pm

DROP OFF TIMES Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> after church Sept. 16th 9am-11am Sept. 17th 4:30pm-7pm Sept. 18th 9am-11am Sept. 20th 9am-11am Set-up is Friday Sept. 20th at 4pm

Please see the list of acceptable items to donate at the back of the church.

Thank you for your support!



Tai Chi Open House Demonstration and Free Lesson! All ages are welcome Saturday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> Parish Hall 10am Regular Classes begin Sat. Oct. 5 at 10am <u>brockville@canadiantaichiacademy.org</u>

#### **ACW REGIONAL MEETING**

Thursday October 3rd at St Lawence Anglican Church, 80 Pine St. Registration 9 am. Service of Holy Eucharist 10am. Bishop William Cliff, celebrant assisted by Rev Margaret Jones, ACW chaplain. Guest speaker: Dave Sheridan, well -known local teacher, muralist, painter and sculptor. Lunch at noon with ACW meeting to follow. FEE for the day is \$18.00 for members, \$14.00 for clergy. Monies to Marie Blair by Sept. 20th. For more information, contact Marie Blair at 613-345-1148 or Bea Slack at 613-342-5223.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup>

9:30am Lots of outdoor jobs to accomplish, making sure our property looks good going into the fall/winter!



Come and help out AND purchase some delicious baked goods at the ACW Bake Sale from 1-4pm WIN WIN!



Thanksgiving Bake Sale Hosted by ACW Saturday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 1pm – 4pm St. Paul's Church Hall Gluten free items also available

For more info contact: Gillian Shaw gilliancan07@gmail.com