

St Pauls' Anglican Church 45 Russell St W Lindsay, ON

INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that this church is situated upon traditional Indigenous territory. This land is part of Treaty #20 signed in 1818 by representatives of the Anishinabe (Ojibway) peoples of Mississaugan and Chippewayan dialects. The treaty includes all of the City of Kawartha Lakes. We also recognize the enduring presence of First Nations peoples on this land.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Welcome

Sentence Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me
and I in them, says the Lord. *John 6.56*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #1 Holy, Holy, Holy (all verses)

1 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!	2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.	4 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

THE GREETING

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,

All **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

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

All **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 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

All Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD (Reading Sheet Available)

1ST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. 'Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.' Then the people answered, 'Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

Reader The word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

Psalm 34:15-22

Reader: The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

All: The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

Reader: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

All: The Lord is near to the broken-hearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.

Reader: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all.

All: He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.

Reader: Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

All: The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

2ND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil

day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Reader The word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

HOLY GOSPEL John 6:56-69

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.' Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Homily The Rev. Bonnie Skerritt

THE CREED

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

All 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

Leader (Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, "Lord hear our prayer.")

Leader O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

All Lord hear our prayer.

Leader Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Set free all who are bound by fear and despair.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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,

All 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.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

(The members of the community greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

OFFERTORY HYMN #585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (all verses)

1 Lord whose love in humble service Bore the weight of human need Who upon the cross forsaken offered mercy's perfect deed We your servants bring the worship Not of voice alone but heart Consecrating to Your purpose Every gift which You impart	2 Still Your children wander homeless Still the hungry cry for bread Still the captives long for freedom Still in grief we mourn our dead As You Lord in deep compassion Healed the sick and freed the soul By you Spirit send your power To our world to make it whole
3 As we worship grant us vision Till Your love's revealing light In its height and depth and greatness Dawns upon our quickened sight Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear Stirring us to ardent service Your abundant life to share	

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant God of heaven and earth, receive our sacrifice of praise, and strengthen us for the perfect freedom of your service, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER # 2

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 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.

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One 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

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF BREAD # 1

Celebrant "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

AGNUS DEI

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

**All Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Celebrant Those wishing to do so may make their spiritual communion by joining in this prayer with me now:

People: I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Holy Sacrament and in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, enthroned on the altar, now be enthroned in my heart; may you who give yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and heavenly blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your reign shall come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

#496 Teach me My God and King (verses 1, 2, 3) (Tune Carlisle #454)

#61 As We Gather (All 3 verses) (Tune: CP354 Nettleton)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION & DOXOLOGY

All O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant 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.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN #318 Rejoice Today in one Accord (all verses)

1 Rejoice today with one accord, sing out with exultation; rejoice and praise our mighty Lord, whose arm hath brought salvation. His works of love proclaim the greatness of his name; for he is God alone, who hath his mercy shown: let all his saints adore him!	2 When in distress to him we cried he heard our sad complaining; O trust in him. what'er betide, his love is all-sustaining. Triumphant songs of praise to him our hearts shall raise: now every voice shall say, "O praise our God alway"; let all his saints adore him!
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Celebrant Go now in peace to love and serve the Lord

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!