



**Let Justice
and Peace Flow**
Season of Creation 2023

**St. Paul's Anglican Church
October 1st, 2023
Pentecost 18 /Season of Creation 5**

Indigenous Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated upon traditional Indigenous territory. 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 we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

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10:00 am Holy Eucharist (BAS/BCP pg. 230)

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Common Praise (1998) or are printed in the leaflet
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Processional Hymn #460

Lord, the Light of your Love Is Shining

Welcome & Announcements

Sentence: My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. John 10.27

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 with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Almighty God,
unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy
Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily
magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Summary of the Law

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord
our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord
thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and
with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is
the first and great commandment. And the second
is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as
thyself. On these two commandments hang all the
law and the prophets.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these
thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Kyrie Eleison

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Celebrant Glory be to God on high,
All and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray,
All God of our salvation,
we falter before the demands of your word
and turn away from your call to life.
As you showed mercy to your people of old,
pour out your mercy on us,
so that we may turn from our sinfulness
and walk the path of self-emptying love
made known in Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.¹

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

1st Reading – Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with

¹ *Church of the Province of Southern Africa* alt.

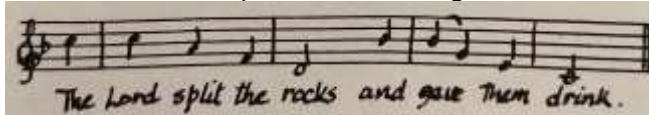
me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Reader The word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Psalm 78:1-4,12-16 *Please join the cantor in singing the refrain*

Refrain: The Lord split the rocks and gave them drink.



1. Hear my teaching, O my people;
Incline you ears to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. **R**
2. That which we have heard and known, and what our
forefathers have told us,
We will not hide from their children.
We will recount to generations to come
The praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord,
And the wonderful works he has done. **R**
3. He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers,
In the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
He split open the sea and let them pass through;
He made the waters stand up like walls. **R**
4. He led them with a cloud by day,
And all the night through with a glow of fire.

He split the hard rocks in the wilderness
And gave them drink as from the great deep.
He brought streams out of the cliff,
And the waters gushed out like rivers. **R**

Cantor GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son/ and to the
HOLY GHOST;
All **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
shall be, / world without end. Amen.**

2nd Reading Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation
from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and
sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having
the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing
from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as
better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own
interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in
you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not
only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work
out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who

is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Reader The word of the Lord

People Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn #431 Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said (1-2)

The Holy Gospel – Matthew 21:23-32

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. 'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Gradual Hymn #431 Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said (3-5)

Homily – Anthony Siegrist, A Rocha Canada

Nicene Creed

Celebrant Together we say the words of the Creed,
All I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Intercession for God in Creation²

Let us pray to God that he will bring to fruition all that he desires for his creation.

² From *New Patterns for Worship* © The Archbishops' Council 2002. From the Church of England's "Common Worship" website, as found on the ACC "Additional Resources for Creation Care Liturgies" page.

You have created the universe by your eternal Word and have blessed humankind in the making us stewards of the earth. We pray for your world,

that we may share and conserve its resources
and live in reverence for the creation
and in harmony with one another.

Father, Lord of Creation,

In your mercy, hear us.

You have given the human race a rich land,

a land of streams and springs,
wheat and barley, vines and oil and honey.

We have made by sin a world of suffering and sorrow.

We pray for those who bear the weight of affliction, that they may come to share the life of wholeness and plenty.

Father, Lord of creation,

in your mercy hear us.

In Christ you call us to the new way of life,

loving our neighbours as ourselves.

Help us to treat with care and to respect the world as it is as we live in hope and anticipation of the world and as it will be when your kingdom comes and your will is done .

Thank you for those, living and departed, who have shown a true respect for your creation.

Help us to follow in their footsteps,

Until, with them, we see you face to face,
where all is made new in Christ our Lord.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour

Jesus Christ. Amen

Litany

Leader Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: we humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy divine majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, priests, and deacons, (*and specially to thy servants*), that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy sacraments: prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: and grant to thy servant Charles our King, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, (*especially those for whom our prayers are desired*).

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 1.28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3.16

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1.15

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2.1,2

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Offertory Hymn: #505 Be Thou My Vision

(Winner of the favourite hymn contest, St. Nicholas Birch Cliff)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and for ever.
Amen.³

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. For thou art the fountain of light and life for all thy creation: thou hast made us in thine own image, and dost raise us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Celebrant Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

**All Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, who didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did

³ Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt

institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the body and blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

**All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee,
and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

Celebrant And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this holy communion may worthily receive the most precious body and blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the

Holy Spirit all honour and glory be unto thee, O
Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ hath 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.**

Silence

Breaking of the Bread

All **We do not presume to come to this thy table, O
merciful Lord, Trusting in our own
righteousness, But in thy manifold and great
mercies. We are not worthy So much as to
gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou
art the same Lord, Whose property is always to
have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
And to drink his blood, That we may evermore
dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

Lamb of God (sung)

All **O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the
world: grant us thy peace.**

Hymns during Communion

Hymn #70 Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts

Hymn #522 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me (tune: Hastings)

Hymn Be Not Afraid (lyrics on the next page)

Anthem SPG #78 Out of Deep Unordered Water

Refrain: *Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come follow me, and I will give you rest.*

1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live. **Refrain**

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all. **Refrain**

3. Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me,
blessed, blessed are you! **Refrain**

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Doxology

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

Celebrant May God who established the dance of Creation,
Who marvelled at the lilies of the field,
Who transforms chaos to order,
Lead us to transform our lives and the Church to reflect God's glory in Creation,

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

The Dismissal

Recessional Hymn #575 Let Streams of Living Justice



Please join us after the service for refreshments.

Announcements

Guest speaker – Today we will welcome Anthony Siegrist, Ontario Director of A Rocha Canada (an international Christian environmental organization focusing on faith and ecology).

Harvest Thanksgiving – October 8, 2023

As we prepare for Harvest Thanksgiving, we would like to remind everyone that the Chancel Guild will decorate the Sanctuary with gifts of produce. Please bring produce or decorations by Friday October 7th at 9am. If you would like to offer Thanksgiving flowers, either in memory or thanksgiving of a special person, please clearly indicate this on your offering envelope. Flower donation envelopes are available under the Flower Chart in the Main Hall.

It's time once again for "The Tower of Tins"



Once again this year, St Paul's will hold a Thanksgiving food drive to collect tinned food for the Food Source. We have been advised that all tinned food items are needed, especially protein, vegetables and pasta sauce. Please deposit your tins in the designated baskets in the Hall and by the Russell St entrances.

**Our goal this year is to donate 500 tins.
Every tin we receive is greatly appreciated!**

***Tins and Thanksgiving produce will be picked up by the
Food Source on Tuesday, Oct. 10th***

Thanksgiving Letters: Thanksgiving Letters are available for pick up in the church hall mail slots. Any not picked up will be mailed out on October 2nd. If you didn't receive a letter, and would like one, please let the office know.

Tea with the Vicar (Oct 2): Our final Afternoon Tea will be held on Monday, October 2nd at 3:00 pm. Make sure to sign up while there's still room! Everyone at our previous four teas have really enjoyed sharing tea and a time of fellowship.

Healing Services will resume on October 15th

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Next week's readings:

Harvest Thanksgiving – Oct. 8/23

Deuteronomy 18:7-18

Psalm 65

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Luke 17:11-19