



St Paul's Anglican Church

September 28, 2025

Pentecost 16 / Creation 4

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10:00 am **Holy Eucharist BAS**

Prelude: Evensong – arr. Derek K. Hakes - unBELLievable

Processional Hymn: # 429 For the Beauty of the Earth

Indigenous Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated on the traditional territory of the Mississauga peoples and is covered by the Williams Treaties. 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 First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile ourselves, and to work for justice and reconciliation with the peoples and the land. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

Sentence

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. *Psalm 126.6*

The Gathering of the Community (*All stand*)

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 the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant **Let us pray.**

All **God of heaven and earth, we sing of your bounty and your goodness in the abundant harvest, in the changing seasons, and in the wonder of nature. With generous hearts, may we share what we have received with those who have little, so that none may hunger or thirst and all may know your wide justice; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

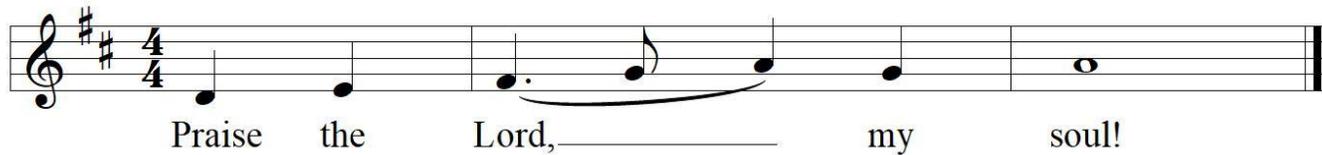
First Reading – Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria, the notables of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel resorts! Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall, who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music, who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm – 146



Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. **R**

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them. When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish. **R**

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! whose hope is in the Lord their God; Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever; Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. **R**

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; **R**

The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked. **R**

The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah! **R**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Second Reading – 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the

faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn # 171 What Does the Lord Require

Holy Gospel – Luke 16:19-31

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you

are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn # 171 What Does the Lord Require

Homily Rev. Bonnie Skerritt

The Apostles’ 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.

The Prayers of the People

(Let us pray in faith to God our Father, to his Son Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, saying, “Lord, hear and have mercy.”)

For the Church of the living God throughout the world, let us ask the riches of his grace.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who proclaim the word of truth, let us ask the infinite wisdom of Christ.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who have consecrated their lives to the kingdom of God, and for all struggling to follow the way of Christ, let us ask the gifts of the Spirit.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For Charles our King, for the Prime Minister of this country, and for all who govern the nations, that they may strive for justice and peace, let us ask the strength of God.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For scholars and research-workers, that their studies may benefit humanity, let us ask the light of the Lord.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who have passed from this life in faith and obedience, let us ask the peace of Christ.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

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

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.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn - In the Garden

1 I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.

Chorus: **And He walks with me,
and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there
None other has ever known.**

2 He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing. [Chorus]

3 I'd stay in the garden with Him
Though the night around me be falling;
But He bids me go; through the voice of woe,
His voice to me is calling. [Chorus]

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, so that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 4

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People 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.

People 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.

People **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.

People **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 woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

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

Celebrant 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:

All **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.**

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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."

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

Celebrant Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this

offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

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

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.

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

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer, redeemer of the world,

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. All others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing by kneeling and crossing their arms over their chest.

At this time, intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is strictly prohibited for hygienic reason. If desired, you may instead lay your hands on the base of the chalice. Gluten free bread available upon request.

Hymns during Communion

Eucharist 1: # 359 This Is the Day

Eucharist 2: # 531 You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

Special Music: Grazioso – A. Sherman - unBELLievable

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant 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.**

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

Announcements

Recessional Hymn Go Now in Peace - Don Besig

Go now in peace, never be afraid

God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true

Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, go, serve the world God loves!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Celtic Farewell – Linda Lamb – unBELLievable

Memorial Flowers

*To the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of
Family and Friends - Marilyn Walsh and Family*

Thank You **unBELLievable** handbell ensemble for providing special music for our service this morning. Lois E, Kenneth and Arlene G, Joanne G, Yasmine K, Janice N, Kimberly O, Margo T

Your favourite hymns: The response to sharing your favourite hymns for our hymn sing was overwhelming! So many hymns were shared, we need to include them in our services over the next several weeks. During that time, our inspirational quotes will come from our parishioner responses to why a hymn is their favourite. All responses will remain anonymous.

This week, 4 of our hymns are favourites of parishioners. They have all shared similar sentiments: “God helps us throughout our life, giving us strength and comfort”; “live life every day to your best, be thankful for all your blessings & know you can talk to God, anywhere-anytime”; “I am daily reminded that we are the stewards of this glorious world. God has gifted us with his blessing”; and “whether I sing along or just hear the music, I visualize the scene “In the Garden”, I think this is a beautiful hymn! So peaceful”.

Next Week’s Readings

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 Psalm 37:1-10 (v.9 NRSV)
2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10

Announcements

Designated Givings for September will benefit the ***Kairos Jubilee Initiative***. Kairos is a Canadian multi-faith organization that advocates for justice, in all its forms, in the least-developed parts of the world. Based

on scripture (Lev. 25), Kairos is promoting the **Jubilee Year of Debt Forgiveness** in places where debt is one more unsustainable burden. Our support shows that we care too.

Introducing “Plentiful Pantry” This year our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is changing from the “Tower of Tins” to “Plentiful Pantry” and the recipient will be our St. Paul’s Pantry. We have seen an increasing demand throughout the year and have been receiving assistance with stocking the pantry from community members but still struggle at times to keep the pantry stocked. **Help us stock a “plentiful pantry” this Thanksgiving!** All food items are accepted, however items that are easy to eat or prepare are our priority.

Refreshment Time helpers: The sign-up sheet is up on the board. Thank you to the many folks who do regularly support this important ministry!

A reminder to wear **nametags** to help others know you.
We Strive to be a Scent free space

Sound and Live Stream We are still looking for people to take on a **once a month** role in worship as part of the sound/livestream team beginning in January. Live stream has been simplified. Please contact Arlene in the office.

Did you know....that 2026 marks our **190th anniversary?!?** We are looking for 3 people to form an **Anniversary Committee** and work alongside the Events Committee to plan 2 or 3 events as we celebrate 190 years of Anglican worship and outreach in Lindsay. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please speak with Rev. Bonnie.

Weekly Room Schedule:

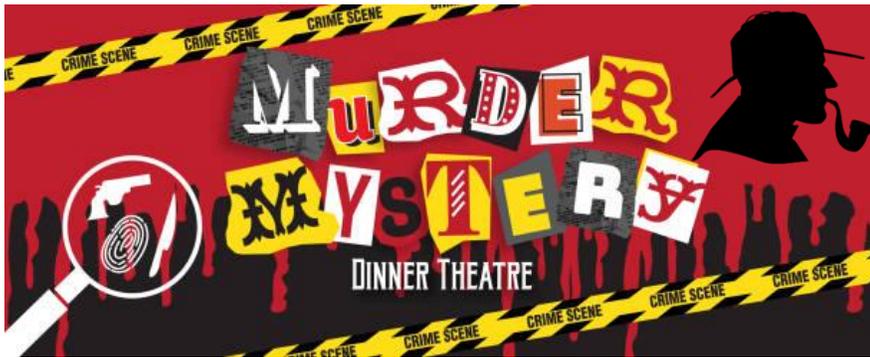
Mon	Community Care	weekly	11:00 – 12:00	upper
Mon.	Community Choir	weekly	7:00 pm	hall
Tues.	ESL*	weekly	9:30 – 11:30	hall
Thurs.	ESL*	weekly	9:30 – 11:30	hall
Thurs.	Sisterhood	weekly	12:00 – 2:00	hall
Thurs.	Community Care	weekly	1:00 – 2:00	upper
Thurs.	Handbells	weekly	3:45 pm	upper
Thurs.	Choir Rehearsal	weekly	7:00 pm	sanctuary
Tues. - Fri.	Tai Chi	weekly	9:30 – 11:30	upper
3 rd Fri.	Kawartha Food Source		9:00 – 11:30	kitchen
3 rd Tues.	Horticultural Society		7:00 – 9:00	hall

*English as a 2nd Language

Adelaide Place Worship Service last Tuesday of the Month @ 10:30

Thanksgiving Decorations the Chancel Guild will be decorating on October 11 @ 9:00 am. We would appreciate donations of produce. They can be dropped off either Friday or Saturday from 9 – noon. All donations gratefully accepted.

Sanctuary/Thanksgiving Flowers This is a reminder about sanctuary flowers. The sign-up sheet and envelopes are in the hall on the St. Pauls bulletin board. Anyone wishing to donate Thanksgiving flowers, please mark your envelope and place it on the collection plate or drop it off at the church office by Wed. Oct. 8. Any questions, please contact/call Marg Brohm.



Saturday October 25,
2025 @ 7:00 p.m.
(Doors open 6:30)
Reserved Seating - Call
705-324-6257
\$65 per person
Tickets available after
church or in the office.

Season of Spiritual Renewal

Short-term workshops We're delighted to offer the following workshops on Wednesdays at noon.

Especially for Lectors with Judy Paulsen, Oct. 1.

Hospitality and the Spiritual Life of a Church with Janet Marshall, Oct. 8.

Preaching Evangelistically (two weeks) with Dr. John Bowen, Oct. 22 and 29.

A New and Ancient Evangelism with Judy Paulsen, Nov. 19. You do need to register in advance to take part in these workshops.

<https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/diocesan-life/season-of-spiritual-renewal/season-of-spiritual-renewal-workshops/>

Season of Creation 2025 “Peace with Creation”

Each year from **September 1 to October 4**, Christians around the world celebrate the Season of Creation. It is a special season where we celebrate God as Creator and acknowledge Creation as the divine continuing act that summons us as collaborators to love and care for the

gift of all that is created. As followers of Christ from around the globe, we share a common call to care for Creation. Our well-being is interwoven with the well-being of the Earth. We rejoice in this opportunity to safeguard our common home and all beings who share it. This year, the theme for the season is “Peace with Creation.”



*Thank you for
Worshipping with us Today.*



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