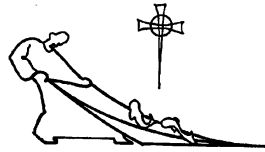


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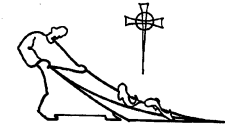
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The land on which our church resides is the Territory of the Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nation, the Wendat Nation, the Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-neigh) Confederacy, the Mississaugas of Scugog (skoo-gog), Hiawatha (hi-ah-wah-tha) and Alderville First Nations. This territory is the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Anishnabek Nation and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the life of the Great Lakes. The Treaties that were signed for this Territory are collectively referred to as the Williams Treaties. We recognize how settlers and our church have continuously broken the sacred covenant of this Treaty, and offer this land acknowledgment as a first step on the path of reconciliation, recognizing the sovereignty of Indigenous Nations and their continued leadership on this land.

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*To love and worship God as one family in Jesus Christ;
to extend this love into Christian action in the community.*

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST WITH A BLESSING OF BACKPACKS AND BRIEFCASES

Sunday, September 13, 2026

10:00AM



blessing of backpacks and
briefcases

Welcome

Thank you for worshipping with us today!
By being here, you have enriched our community.
We pray that you find the service meaningful.

We hope that you sense God's presence and His love for you in
our midst, and that you consider the Church of St. Andrew a
place where you can belong and call home.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Welcome from Rev. Jake

Opening Hymn: #565 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: 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.

Gloria in Excelsis (sung)

Hymnal #679

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**
(All Sit)

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon., Sept. 14	10:00am-12:00pm	Monthly Meet & Mingle – Parish Hall
Tues., Sept. 15	9:00-9:30am	Online Morning Prayer
Wed., Sept. 16	10:00-10:45am	Holy Eucharist
Wed., Sept. 16	10:45-11:30am	Fellowship – St. Andrew's Room
Wed., Sept. 16	7:00-8:30pm	Online Bible Study & Compline
Sun., Sept. 20	10:00-11:15am	Holy Eucharist – Induction of Shreena Talbert as Lay Eucharistic Minister
Sat., Sept. 26	6:00-10:00pm	Caribbean Night

ASSISTING TODAY

ALTAR GUILD: Helen Greer & Yvette Davey

LECTORS: 1. Maxine Sylvester
2. Shreena Talbert

INTERCESSOR: Richard Moriah

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Wilbur Anderson

CARIBBEAN NIGHT!

Saturday, September 26, 2026 - 6-10pm

\$45/Adults - \$25/Child under 12.

Tickets: Cherry: 416-291-9614 / Lethel: 416-292-0195

*Monthly Meet & Mingle re-starts tomorrow,
Monday, September 14, from 10am-12pm.*

*The flowers on the Altar today are given by
Richard Moriah, in thanksgiving for God's many
blessings, and in memory of departed family members.*



The flowers on the Altar today are given by David Talbert, to the glory of God, and in loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Talbert on her birthday. Your love continues to shine in our hearts and your memory will forever be a precious part of our lives. Forever loved, forever missed, and never forgotten.

The Sanctuary Lights for the month of September are given by Richard Moriah, to the glory of God, and in loving memory of my mother, Greta Celestine Moriah.



Chuck Myles wishes to thank everyone for their well wishes, thoughts and prayers. You're a great group of friends!

🌸 BIRTHDAY 🌸 - September 15 – Gwyneth Fabian

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei (*sung*)

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The Communion

All baptized Christians may receive Communion - please indicate to the Celebrant if you require a gluten-free wafer. All may receive a blessing; please cross your arms to indicate that this is your wish. To receive Communion or a blessing at your pew, please notify a sidesperson.

(During Communion, the Choir sings #63 "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup".)

Communion Hymn:

#371 "To God Be the Glory"

(*All Stand*)

Prayer after Communion:

Celebrant: God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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

(*All Sit*)

Announcements

Sending Hymn:

#602 "Lift High the Cross"

(*All Stand*)

Dismissal:

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Thanksgiving Food Drive

This year we will be collecting for the food bank at St. Jude's, Wexford. A list of accepted items will be posted shortly. Items may be donated on Sundays September 20 and 27. They will be sorted and blessed on Harvest Sunday, October 4, and delivered to St. Jude's on Tues. Oct. 6. If you can help with delivering the items to St. Jude's, please speak to Noreen Basso or Rev. Jake.

the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 114 (*prayed responsively – the congregation says the bolded verses*)

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, * the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, **Judah became God's sanctuary * and Israel his dominion.** The sea beheld it and fled; * Jordan turned and went back. **The mountains skipped like rams, * and the little hills like young sheep.** What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? * O Jordan, that you turned back? **You mountains, that you skipped like rams? * You little hills like young sheep?** Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, * at the presence of the God of Jacob. **Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water * and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

The Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn:

(All Stand)
#619 vv.1-2 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Then Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn:

#619 vv.3-4 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Children's Talk:

Rev. Jake Cunliffe

Blessing of Backpacks and Briefcases

Please bring forward your bags to be blessed!

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Response: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Filled with the gifts of the Spirit, let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

Merciful God, **we need your healing. Give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us, some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive us. Set us free to hear your word to us. Set us free to serve you.**

Celebrant: God the Creator bring you to new life, forgive and redeem you. Take hold of this forgiveness and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus. **Amen.**

Celebrant: God forgives you. Forgive others. Forgive yourself.

(All Stand)

"Let There Be Peace On Earth" (sung)

by Jill Jackson-Miller and Sy Miller

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father, we are family, Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally,

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

*(You are invited to exchange a sign of peace with your neighbours:
a wave or a handshake are common ways to share the Peace.)*

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn:

#527 "How Firm a Foundation"

A collection is taken during the Offertory. Please use the envelopes provided in the pews, or e-transfer to envsec@st-andrew-anglican.ca. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Prayer over the Gifts:

Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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(Sit or Kneel)

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

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Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.