

The Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle



THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
EMANCIPATION SUNDAY

July 26, 2026

The flowers at the altar are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God
in loving memory of Shelley MacDonald Reid
by Michael Downie and Mervin Fick

HOLY EUCHARIST AT 9.00 A.M.

Celebrant & Preacher The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess
The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*.
For the readings please see 10:30 am.

CHORAL EUCHARIST AT 10:30 A.M. BAS P. 185

Celebrant & Preacher	The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess
Servers	Ferdinand Galingan, Ashrey Beyongyera, Elijah Hughes, Fen Nanton, Gary Toneguzzo
Communion Minister	Marina Caytap
Musicians	Mervin Fick - Director of Music Parish Choristers
Mass Settings	Sanctus and Agnus Dei – Missa de Santa Maria Magdalena - H Willan 

We acknowledge that in gathering to worship Almighty God, we are in the traditional territory
of many First Nations peoples including the Mississaugas of the New Credit,
the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat.

"The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is, the world and all who dwell therein." Psalm 24.1.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude Voluntary (Andante, Vivace)

M GREENE

Processional Hymn 461 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

MORNING LIGHT

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.

All **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.**

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D HURD

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

Celebrant O God,
The protector of all who trust in you,
Without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy,
Increase and multiply upon us your mercy,
That with you as our ruler and guide,
We may so pass through things temporal,
That we lose not the things eternal;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson

Read by Larry Krotz

Reader A reading from Genesis 29:15-28

Then Laban said to Jacob, ‘Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?’ Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, ‘I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.’ Laban said, ‘It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.’ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, ‘Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.’ So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, ‘What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?’ Laban said, ‘This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me for another seven years.’ Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 105:1-11

CHANT VII.7.

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually.
Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgements he has uttered,
O offspring of his servant Abraham,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones.
He is the Lord our God;
his judgements are in all the earth.
He is mindful of his covenant for ever,
of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,
the covenant that he made with Abraham,
his sworn promise to Isaac,
which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
saying, 'To you I will give the land of Canaan
as your portion for an inheritance.'

Epistle

Read by Stephanie Woodside

Reader A reading from the Letter to the Romans 8:26-39

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 239 Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now

ST. ALBINUS

The Holy Gospel Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus put before them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.’

He told them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.’

‘The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

‘Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

‘Have you understood all this?’ They answered, ‘Yes.’ And he said to them, ‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’

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

Homily *Please be seated*

Nicene Creed *Please stand.*

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Led by Ian Corlett

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invites the confession of sin. Then is said:

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.**

The Absolution is pronounced.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

We invite you to share a sign of peace with those near you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn 350 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

CARLISLE

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer 3

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 Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Choir **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 We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “ Take, eat: this is my body

which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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.” Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord’s Prayer

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

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.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

Choir

Holy Communion

- All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not receiving communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest when at the altar.
- Communion is administered at the High Altar, and standing at the St Peter's Altar in the south aisle
- Please do not dip the consecrated bread into the wine - Drinking from the chalice is considered safe from the point of view of public health.
- You are also welcome to receive only the bread, if you prefer. Indicate this by holding your arms crossed over your chest as the chalice passes; this is also a way to receive a blessing rather than communion.
- Gluten-free communion wafers are available – please let the administering priest know.
- Anointing and Laying on of Hands for Healing will be administered in the north and south aisles.

Communion Anthem I Give You A New Commandment

P ASTON

Communion Hymn 515 Thou Art The Way

ST. JAMES

Prayer after Communion *Please stand.*

Celebrant God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.

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.**

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 388 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Dismissal

Celebrant Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
serve the world God loves.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Plein Jeu et Fugue

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In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Giving With Grace – the Anglican Appeal of the Anglican Church of Canada

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer: Pray for St. Mark, Midland, its food bank, prayer shawl ministry, and services at four retirement/nursing homes;
for St. Mark, Port Hope, its support of the Green Wood Coalition, Fare Share food bank, and Northumberland County Food 4 All Warehouse; and for St. Martin, Bay Ridges, its support for many local initiatives including a food bank, Herizon House, DARS, Durham Youth Services, Durham Outreach Alliance, Back Door Mission, Water First, its Stewards of Creation, Outreach Garden, and its involvement in advocacy for the environment and anti-poverty measures.

Parish Cycle: Sarah McFarland, Joseph McIsisch, Neil McKeown, Paul and Martha McLean

Home Bound Parishioners: Marie Adams, Evelyn Baird, Glenna Charles, Alice Fox, Dennis Gittens, Lawrine Griffith, Sabrina Hogan, Ivaline Jonas, Marian McPherson, Denise Orioux, Everton Morris, Rex Southgate, Duncan Towe, Lila Vamosi, Vashti White.

Hymn Notes *Thou Art the Way (CP # 515)*

George Washington Doane published this hymn, based on John 14: 6, in his *Songs by the Way* (1824). Doane (1799-1859) was born in Trenton, NJ, and was educated at Union College, Schenectady (1818). He was then one of the earliest students at General Theological Seminary. He was in parishes in New York and Boston before becoming the second Bishop of New Jersey (1832). He was one of the principal promoters of the missionary movement and church schools. He founded both a school for girls and a school for boys. This hymn was the only poem by an American poet to be included in the first edition of *Hymns Ancient & Modern* (1860).

ST. JAMES was first published anonymously in the hymn book for use of St. James Westminster (1697). Raphael Courteville was first designated as composer in Hart's *Melodies Proper to Be Sung* (1713). The tune was one of 18 tunes included in the American proposed Book of Common Prayer (1789). Courteville (d. 1735?) was appointed organist at St. James Westminster in 1691. He composed songs, sonatas, and theatre music.

Submitted by Diane Way

Announcements

Stained glass window | Through a generous donation, SPSS will soon have a new stained glass window!

Church Office | Jessy will be away from July 29th to August 7th, and back on Tuesday August 11th. Please reach out to any of the Wardens regarding any emergencies.

Request for Mason Jars | If you have any 1-cup or 2-cup Mason Jars, please give them to Paul Mitchell or take them to the office. Thank you!

No Strings Theatre Fundraiser | Today from 12 to 5pm. Book and Bake sale on the church lawn.

Meal Kit Assembly | SPSS' second Meal Kit Assembly is on the books! We will assemble 3 different meal kits on the morning of *September 14th from 9:45 AM to 12 PM* in the Parish Hall. Your response last time was great and we are in need of 20 to 25 volunteers again this time. Please email Laurie Sanderson at ljsanderson@rogers.com if you are able to help out.



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