

October 4th, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

I chose you and appointed you, says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. John 15:16



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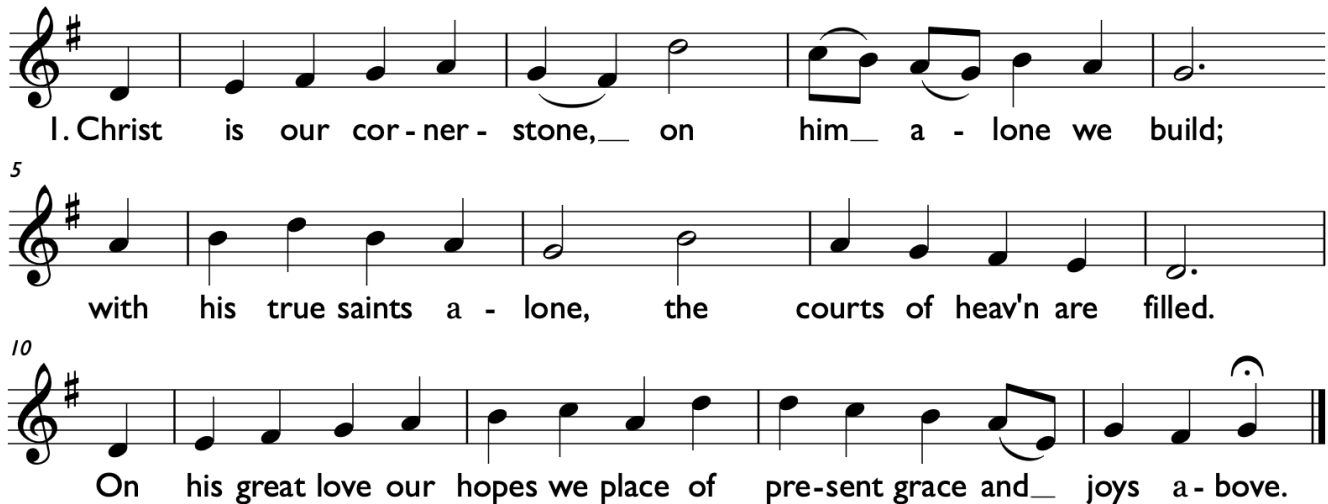
Book of Alternative Services

Please stand and sing our opening hymn

Opening Hymn Christ Is Our Cornerstone

HAREWOOD
CP 459

Samuel Sebastian Wesley
1810 - 1876



1. Christ is our cor - ner - stone, on him a - lone we build;

5 with his true saints a - lone, the courts of heav'n are filled.

10 On his great love our hopes we place of pre-sent grace and joys a - bove.

2 O then with hymns of praise
these hallowed courts shall ring.
Our voices we will raise
the Three-in-One to sing,
and thus proclaim
in joyful song
both loud and long
that glorious name.

3 Here, gracious God, do thou
For evermore draw nigh;
accept each faithful vow,
and mark each suppliant sigh.
In copious shower
on all who pray,
each holy day
thy blessings pour.

4 Here may we gain from heaven
the grace which we implore;
and may that grace, once given,
be with us evermore,
until that day
when all the blest
to endless rest
are called away.

The Gathering of the Community

Presider 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.**

Presider In this time and place, we gather on the ancestral beaver hunting grounds of the Algonquin, Haudenosaunee and Attawandaran peoples; the traditional lands of the Anishnaabe Peoples, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Lenni-Lanape Peoples; and the current communities of the Chippewa of the Thames First Nation, Oneida Nation of the Thames, and Munsee-Delaware Nation.

People **From many places and peoples we come to this time of prayer.**

Presider We uphold our common stewardship of creation and our common birthplace of God's earth.

People **We respect our place on this land and move forward in love and peace.**

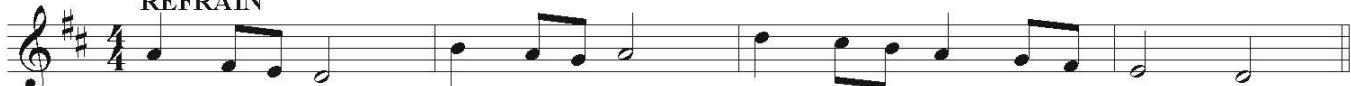
Presider Almighty God,

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 (Mass of St. Thomas)

David Thorne

REFRAIN



Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God in the High - est.

VERSE 1



Glo - ry to God in the High - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, Heav'n - ly King, Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we — praise you for your glo - ry.

VERSE 2

Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther. Lord God,
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. You are
 sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

VERSE 3

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly one, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

The Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray. (silence)

Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

“Christian Education” – The children are invited to the Assembly Room for the church school.

Please be seated

A Reading from the Book of Exodus:

Reader: Susan Patterson

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful

use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to neighbour. When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, "You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die." Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin." (Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20)

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

Psalm 19

*Please remain seated for the Psalm **joining with singing of the refrain***



The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.
One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.
Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,
Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world. **Refrain**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb. **Refrain**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offence.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **Refrain**

Reader: Stephanie Allen

People **Thanks be to God.**

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 21:33-46*

Reader The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Reader The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Joyful Giving Testimony

Peter Hockin

Homily

The Venerable Sam Thomas

Please stand

The Apostles' Creed

Presider 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 Intercession

led by Susan Patterson

Leader Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world. *I invite you to take a comfortable posture: standing or sitting for the Prayers of the People.*

(A brief silence.)

Leader God of every generation, we give thanks for all who have sought to renew and transform your holy church. Inspire us to follow their example in our own day. Hear us, O God.

People Your mercy is great.

Leader God of every creature, bless and protect the earth and all those who dwell within it. We give thanks for those who have helped us to see your Spirit in creation. Hear us, O God.

People Your mercy is great.

Leader God of every tribe and nation, restore peace to the world's conflict zones, and shelter those who live within them. We pray especially for the safety of displaced people and refugees. Hear us, O God.

People Your mercy is great.

Leader God of every comfort, you made us in your own image. Grant healing and relief to all who are sick or suffering especially for Marg, George, Ernest, Joan, David, Alice, Beavie, Ewa, Rebecca, Bill, Marian, Bette, Leigh, Pat, David. Hear us, O God.

People Your mercy is great.

Leader God of every truth, you draw us nearer to you through your holy word. We give thanks for teachers of the faith. Fill their hearts with your Spirit, that they inspire others with your truth. Hear us, O God.

People Your mercy is great.

Leader God of every soul, you are the one who calls us home. We give thanks for all the saints who have been restored to perfect unity with you. Hear us, O God.
People Your mercy is great.
Leader Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to God's table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,
People 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.
Please stand

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Please offer one another a sign of the peace before we all sing the hymn

We all sing the Offertory Hymn Be Thou My Vision

SLANE
CP 505

Trad. Irish
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5 I. Be thou my___ vis - sion, O___ Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art-
9 thou my___ best___ thought in the day or the night,____
13 wa - king or sleep - ing, thy___ pres - ence my light.

- 2 **Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be,
thou in me Dwelling, and I one with thee.**
- 3 **Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.**
- 4 **High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Prayer over the Gifts

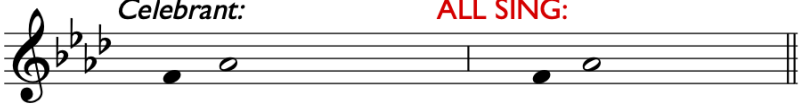
Celebrant God of truth, receive all we offer you this day. Make us worthy servants,
strong to follow in the pattern of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

People **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Simple tone

Celebrant: **ALL SING:**



The Lord be with you: And also with you.

Celebrant: **ALL SING:**



Lift up your hearts: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: **ALL SING:**



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: you created us as humans. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

We all sing **Sanctus**

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might, —

5 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - sa - na in the high - est.

9 Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. — Ho -

13 sa - na in the high - est. — Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

All

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All sing:

Land of Rest
CP 721

American Trad.

Organ:



A - men, A - men, A - - men.

Lord's Prayer

Celebrant



Priest: As our Sa-viour taught us, let us pray:

People

4



Our Fa - ther in heaven, hal-low-ed be your name, your king - dom come,

7



your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us to-day our dai - ly bread.

9



For-give us our sins As we for-give those who sin a - gainst_ us.



The Choir sing **Agnus Dei** from the Missa Brevis

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Grant us peace.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

Please indicate your wish to the administrant at Communion.

Communion Anthem

Come, Lord, Come to Us

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Come, Lord, come to us.

Enter our darkness with your light,

Fill our emptiness with your presence,

Come, refresh, restore, renew us.

In our sadness come as joy,

in our troubles, come as peace,

In our fearfulness, come as hope,

in our darkness, come as light,

In our frailty, come as strength,

in our loneliness, come as love,

Come, refresh, restore, renew us.

We all sing the **Communion Hymn** Blest Creator of the Light

VIENNA
CP --

Justin Knecht
1752 - 1817



1. Blest Cre - a - tor of the light, ma - king day with ra - diance bright,
5
thou didst o'er the for - ming earth give the gol - den light its birth.

2 Shade of eve with morning ray
Took from Thee the name of day;
Darkness now is drawing nigh;
Listen to our humble cry.

3 May we ne'er by guilt depressed
Lose the way to endless rest;
Nor with idle thoughts and vain
Bind our souls to earth again.

4 Rather may we heavenward rise
Where eternal treasure lies;
Purified by grace within,
Hating every deed of sin.

5 Holy Father, hear our cry
Through Thy Son our Lord most high,
Whom our thankful hearts adore
With the Spirit evermore.

Please stand

Prayer after Communion *(silence is kept)*

Celebrant Let us pray.
Almighty God, may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist remain in
your steadfast love, and show in our lives the saving mystery that we celebrate.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People Amen.

Doxology

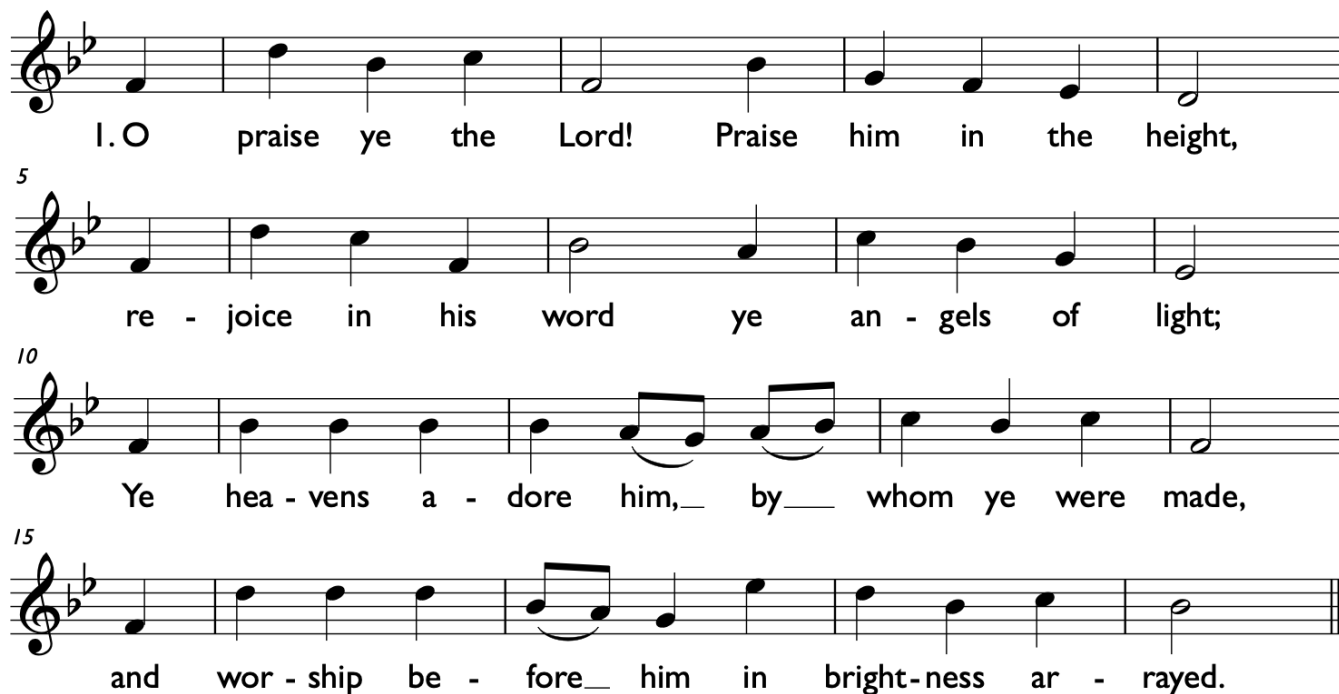
Celebrant Glory to God,
People whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask
or imagine. **Glory to God from generation to generation, in the
Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Closing Announcements and Blessing

We all sing the **Post Communion Hymn** O Praise Ye the Lord

LAUDATE DOMINUM
CP 330

Charles H. H. Parry
1848-1918



I. O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height,
5 re - joice in his word ye an - gels of light;
10 Ye hea - vens a - dore him, by whom ye were made,
15 and wor - ship be - fore him in bright-ness ar - rayed.

- 2 **O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon earth;
in tuneful accord, give thanks for new birth;
praise God who hath brought you all grace from above,
praise God who hath taught you the pathways of love.**
- 3 **O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord re-echo around;
loud organs, God's glory proclaim in deep tone,
and sweet harp, the story of what God hath done.**
- 4 **O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
be ever outpoured all ages along;
for love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord! Amen! Amen!**

Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the congregation in these or similar words:

Deacon Go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

A Ciac[c]ona, or chaconne as it is more widely known, is a set of variations laid across a repetitive bass line. This style originated as a lively, rowdy, and suggestive dance-song in late 16th-century Spanish popular culture but was assimilated into northern European culture as a stately and virtuosic piece. (For those who think 4-bar pop music began in the 50's, think again!).

You will hear this bass line seven times in the feet before it stops to allow the hands to explore further ways of manipulating what the bass line originally sets up, with the bass intervening at various times, including taking its own variations later on in the piece. It is an opportunity to hear lots of different textures and sounds on the organ.



Diocese of Huron Chain of Prayer – Today we pray for the parishes of St. Anne's (Byron), London; St. George's, London; St. James Westminster, London; and St. John the Evangelist, London.

Today's Liturgical Leaders

Celebrant – The Very Reverend Dr. Kevin George
Preacher – The Venerable Sam Thomas
Gospeller – The Reverend Pat Henderson
Organist & Director of Music – Laurence Williams
Servers – Stephanie Allen, Doug Campbell, Clark Home
Lay Administrants – Bette Ferguson, Mary Mitches
Greeter – TBD
Welcome Ministers – TBD
Bell Ringer – Stephanie Allen
Live Stream – Jade Vajna
Warden – Jim Ferguson

Wednesday Bible Study continues followed by Mid Week Eucharist. Please plan to attend and bring a friend. There will be a light soup luncheon to share in our fellowship.

Treasures That Last



“Do not store up riches for yourselves here on earth, where moths and rust destroy, and robbers break in and steal. Instead, store up riches for yourselves in heaven, where moth and rust cannot destroy, and robbers cannot break in and steal.” — Matthew 6:19–20

The riches of this world are fragile things. Christ invites us to invest, instead, in what endures — in love, in faith, in works of mercy, in the life of the Church. These are the treasures that no thief can take and no time can spoil.

Spirituality & Artmaking at St. Paul's Cathedral

Final Session – Saturday, Oct. 10 from 10:30am to noon

You are invited to our last session of reflective artmaking series here at St. Paul's Cathedral. Each session will begin with a meditation followed by a talk about the art, and then a 45-minute art-making period. No art experience is required. If you wish, bring your own art materials. Otherwise, art materials will also be available. Sessions will be led by Nida Home Doherty.

Music at Saint Paul's:

Lunchtime Live: Continues Tuesday, October 6th @ 12:15

With our usual fare of beautiful performances, sandwich lunch and of course, free admission, this is a wonderful gift to all who dare experience live music!



The College of Deacons Synod Outreach Project 2026



STANDING WITH HURON FARM WORKERS MINISTRY

Grocery Gift Card Collection

About this year's project

"Those who provide Canada's food security often lack it themselves. For five years, Huron Farmworkers Ministry has offered balanced meals and supported spiritual and mental health. By donating grocery gift cards, you bring dignity, relief, and hope. Thank you for your generosity. Christ's love in action."

Fr. Enrique Martinez
Huron Farmworkers Ministry
Building Bridges of Love and Support
for Our Migrant Workers

Grocery Gift Cards

Please purchase grocery store gift cards. Send them to Synod with your delegates. Delegates can drop cards at the College of Deacons table at St. Paul's Cathedral, Saturday, October 24th in the morning. This will give us time to tally and redistribute the cards to representatives supporting our Farm Workers.

Cards Needed

- ✓ Superstore
- ✓ Loblaws
- ✓ Food Basics
- ✓ Sobeyes
- ✓ Metro
- ✓ Valu-mart
- ✓ Walmart
- ✓ FreshCo
- ✓ Shoppers
- ✓ Dollarama

All card values welcome but the most helpful are \$25 and \$50.
Please tape your receipt to the card

Alternatively, Financial Donations may be made through the Diocese of Huron website. Click on <https://diohuron.org/give>. Use the drop down under "To" and choose "Deacon's Project".



The
Diocese of Huron



Theology on Tap

AT THE CHURCH KEY

**A BOOK STUDY FOR
CURIOUS MINDS AND
OPEN HEARTS**

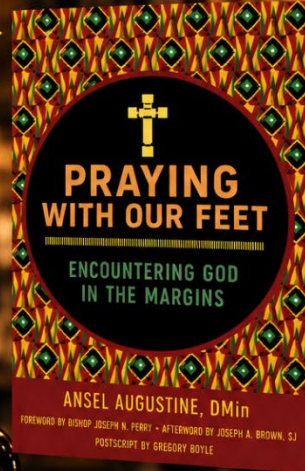
Join Dean Kevin George for a four-week conversation around *Praying with Our Feet* by Ansel Augustine — a powerful invitation to encounter God in the margins and to live a faith that does justice.



Tuesdays
November 3, 10, 17
December 1
7:00 – 9:00 PM



Keystone at the Churchkey
476 Richmond Street, London
Next door to the Cathedral



Register by emailing
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All are welcome.



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