



**Sunday, October 26, 2025**  
**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**St. Paul's Anglican Church, Uxbridge**



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### **Land Acknowledgement**

It is a great privilege to gather, share stories of faith and worship God on this beautiful territory, which we now know as Township of Uxbridge but which has been the site of human activity – and therefore storytelling and worship – for many thousands of years. We wish to honour the ancestral guardians of this land and its waterways: the Huron-Wendat, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Mississauga and Chippewa (Anishinaabe) people. The treaties that were signed for this particular parcel of land are collectively referred to as the Williams Treaties of 1923. Today many Indigenous peoples, including the Metis Nation continue to call this land home and act as its stewards, and this responsibility extends to all peoples, to share and care for this land for generations to come.

### **Today's Mass Setting: St. Thomas**

**Prelude**                      *Tierce en Taille: A Serious Song Seeking God*                      de Grigny

### **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

*(stand)*

**Processional Hymn**                                      *Morning Has Broken*                                      **CP 3**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.    **And also with you.**

### **Collect for Purity**

**Almighty God, 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.**

### **The Gloria**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.  
Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father  
We worship you. We give you thanks,  
We praise you for your glory.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.  
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 God,  
Receive our prayer.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.  
For you alone are the Holy One;  
You alone are the lord; you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ  
With the holy spirit with the glory of God the Father  
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.**

**Kyrie                    Lord, have mercy,  
                              Christ, have mercy.  
                              Lord, have mercy.**

### **Collect of the Day**

Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

*(sit)*

**First Reading:    Joel 2:23-32**

**Reader:** The First Reading is written in the second chapter of the Book of Joel beginning at the twenty-third verse,

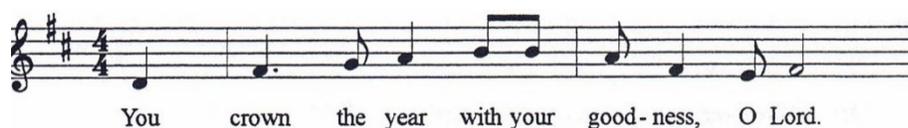
O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my

spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls. (Joel 2:23-32)

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God

### Psalm 65



### Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

**Reader:** The Second Reading is written in the fourth chapter of the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy beginning at the fourth verse

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen. (2

*Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18)*

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*(stand)*

**Gradual**

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

**CP 509**

### Holy Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

**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**

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted." *(Luke 18:9-14)*

**Reader:** The Gospel of Christ

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*(sit)*

**Homily**

**Moment of Silent Reflection**

*(stand)*

**The Nicene Creed**

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all this 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.**

*(sit/ kneel/stand)*

**Prayers of the People**

*(sit/kneel)*

## Confession and Absolution

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.

**Most merciful God, 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.**

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. **Amen.**

*(stand)*

### The Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*(Stand)*

Offertory Hymn

*Lamb of God, to Thee We Raise*

CP 270

### The Prayer over the Gifts

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Eucharistic Prayer 3

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

### Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

*(sit)*

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

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.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

As Jesus taught us, we pray together

**Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

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

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

### **Agnus Dei**

**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.**

**Celebrant:** The gifts of God for the people of God.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

### **Communion**

**During Communion**

*O Thou Who Camest from Above*

**CP 624**

**Anthem**

*Come My Way*  
(soloist: John Haines)

Vaughan Williams

(sit)

### **Prayer after Communion**

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Doxology**

**Glory to God, 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**

(stand)

**Recessional Hymn**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**CP 384**

(to be sung by all)

*Go Now in Peace*

Besig

**Go now in peace ... never be afraid.**

**God will go with you each hour of every day.**

**Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.**

**Know He 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 be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen.**

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*(stand)*

**Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*(sit)*

**Postlude**

*Awesome is God*

de Grigny

*If you have another commitment today,  
and need to depart the church during the postlude, feel free to do so quietly.*

*The flowers at the altar are placed to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Peter Pak (father) and John Pak (uncle)  
by Reverend Johanna*

If you wish to contact Rev. Johanna, her email is, [revjohannapak@gmail.com](mailto:revjohannapak@gmail.com). For phone contact, please use the church 905-852-7016.

**Weekly “tidbit”**

**Stewardship Gospel Tidbit:** (Luke 18:9-14) A lesson on humility and judging others. A steward is one who uses their gifts, taking care not to compare what they do with others.

**This Week at St. Paul’s**

**Wednesday, October 29, 2025**

- 10:00 am – Midweek Eucharist
- 10:30 am – Informal Bible Study in the Lounge

**Thursday, October 30, 2025**

- 2:00 pm – Outreach Meeting in the Lounge
- 7:30 pm – Choir practice

**Sunday, November 2, 2025 – All Saints / All Souls Sunday**

- 10:30 am – Eucharist

**Readings for Next Sunday**

- Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
- Psalm 149
- Ephesians 1:1-23
- Luke 6:20-31

**Upcoming Events**

- **Mid-week Eucharist and Bible Study** continues on Wednesdays. The Eucharist is at 10:00 am in the church with the Informal Bible Study beginning at 10:30 am in the lounge. All are welcome.
- **Sunday, November 9, 2025 – 7:30 pm** – Music at St. Paul’s presents **Remembrance Day Memorial Concert. Tickets \$25.00 available at [www.starticketing.com](http://www.starticketing.com)**

**For the health and comfort of those with allergies  
St. Paul’s is a “scent free” facility.**