St. Cyprian's Anglican Church & Iona Presbyterian Church

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Church office hours: Tuesdays & Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sunday Worship by Zoom and in person 10:30 a.m.

Confirmation

Pentecost 26 Sunday, November 17, 2024

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Zoom Link for Sunday Worship:

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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Mississauga. We acknowledge this territory's significance for the Indigenous peoples who lived, and continue to live, upon it and whose practices and spiritualities were tied to the land and continue to develop in relationship to the territory and its other inhabitants today.

Holy Communion (BAS) and Confirmation Hymns are from Common Praise

Presider and Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop of Toronto

Candidates for Confirmation: Dylan Leggard, Liliana Lobato, Sadie Wiltshire Candidates for Reaffirmation: Una Ford, Norma Leggard, Mary Macnamara

Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #438: O Jesus, I Have Promised (Tune: #444)

Bishop: 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.

Bishop: There is one body and one Spirit,

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

People: One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Bishop: Let us pray.

Almighty God,

you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world.

Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Reader: The first reading is taken from the third chapter of the Epistle of James, beginning at the thirteenth verse.

First Reading: Daniel 12: 1–3 Janet Michener

¹"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 16

Priest: 1. Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,

my good above all other."

People: 2. All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,

upon those who are noble among the people.

Priest: 3. But those who run after other gods

shall have their troubles multiplied.

People: 4. Their libations of blood I will not offer,

nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

Priest: 5. O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;

it is you who uphold my lot.

People: 6. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;

indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

Priest: 7. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;

my heart teaches me, night after night.

People: 8. I have set the Lord always before me;

because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

Priest: 9. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;

my body also shall rest in hope.

People: 10. For you will not abandon me to the grave,

nor let your holy one see the Pit.

Priest: 11. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness

of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Let us pray.

Gracious God, we bless your holy name for the heritage you have given us. Show us the path of life, that we may follow it in hope, and come to know the joy of the resurrection of your

Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Gradual Hymn #712: Alleluia (Chorus x2)

Second Reading: Hebrews 10: 11–25 Hanson Lam

Reader: The second reading is taken from the tenth chapter of

the Epistle to the Hebrews, beginning at the eleventh verse.

¹¹And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," ¹³and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. ¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying ¹⁶"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," ¹⁷and he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." ¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. ¹⁹Therefore, my brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood

of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: Mark 13: 1–8 Rev. Dr. John Oakes

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the thirteenth

chapter of Saint Mark, beginning at the first verse.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." ³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn #712: Alleluia (Chorus x2)

Sermon: Bishop Andrew Asbil

Choir Anthem: "Ascribe to the Lord" (Dan R. Edwards)

Presentation and Examination

Presenters: I present Dylan Leggard, Liliana Lobato, and Sadie Wiltshire for

confirmation.

Presenters: I present Una Ford, Norma Leggard, and Mary Machamara, who

desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

Bishop: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus

Christ?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and

love?

Candidates: I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as

my Saviour and Lord.

Bishop: Will you who witness these vows do all in

your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Bishop: Let us join with those who commit themselves

again to Christ and renew our own baptismal

covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and

fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the

prayers?

People: I will, with God's help

Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever

you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the good

news of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving

your neighbour as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect

the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and

respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates led by Hanson Lam

Bishop: Let us pray for those who are affirming their

baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

Leader: That they may be redeemed from all evil

and rescued from the way of sin and death;

in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That the Holy Spirit may open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may be kept in the faith and communion of your holy

Church; in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may be sent into the world in witness to your

Love, in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: That they may be brought to the fullness of your peace and glory;

in your mercy,

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Bishop Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for

whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through

your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and

resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who

lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

for ever. Amen.

The Bishop lays his hand upon each one and says,

For Confirmation

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant with your Holy Spirit; empower him/her for your service; and sustain him/her all the days of his/her life. Amen.

For Reaffirmation

May the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. Amen.

Bishop: Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be

over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them;

and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you

in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

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

All: And also, with you.

Offertory Hymn #500: Sister, Let Me Your Servant

Prayer over the Gifts

Bishop: Holy God,

in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant.

Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw

us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;

we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In fulfilment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us,

filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth.

You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations

and to serve you as a royal priesthood. Therefore, we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit

dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name.

All (sung): (#735

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Bishop:

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

Bishop: 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 for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Bishop: 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.

Breaking of the Bread

Bishop: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;

happy are they who trust in him!

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

People: Thanks be to God.

All (#745) (sung):

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

grant us peace. Grant us peace.

Communion: All who know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour are welcome to receive Communion. You may choose between the common or an individual cup. If you would rather not receive either, simply push out your hand. If would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms when you approach the Communion station.

Communion Hymn: The Servant King (by Graham Kendrick)

From heav'n You came helpless babe Enter'd our world Your glory veil'd Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live

Chorus

This is our God the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King

There in the garden of tears My heavy load He chose to bear His heart with sorrow was torn Yet not my will but Yours He said/ Chorus

Come see His hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails Surrendered / Chorus

So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving / Chorus

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Prayer after Communion

Bishop: Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of

Christ.

May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and

ever. Amen.

Bishop: 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 forever and ever, Amen.

Announcements

Episcopal Blessing

Recessional Hymn #525: The Church's One Foundation

Dismissal

Priest: Alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

Welcome to St. Cyprian's and Iona, as we continue our combined worship and ministry at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. We are especially pleased to welcome Bishop Andrew Asbil to today's special service of Confirmation and Communion. After today's service, we invite everyone to join a joint fellowship time together in the Iona space.

Sunday Bible Study

The Sunday Bible Study is taking a break today. It will resume next Sunday at noon in the Fellowship Room. Rev. John is helping facilitate a study on 1 Corinthians, using a study guide by N. T. Wright. All are welcome!

Wednesday Noon Meditation

The **Wednesday meditation continues** with David Rudd and others **at 12 noon.** It is **20 minutes long** and **a helpful way to nurture your faith** through the practice of silent prayer.

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Friday Zoom Bible Study

Rev. John's weekly **Zoom Bible Study continues on Friday at 7:00 p.m.**We'll be pursuing our **study on 1 Corinthians. All are welcome!**The link for the meetings is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8517044556?omn=87394869005

You can also call in **by phone: 647-374-4685 or 647-558-0588**

Meeting ID: 851 704 45

Ministry Opportunities

There are ministry opportunities in a number of different areas, for which volunteers are welcome. To help, please contact Rev. John or one of the St. Cyprian's wardens or Iona elders.

Happy Birthdays

Joyce Elliot November 17 Hanson Lam November 22 Catherine Laurencin November 23

Happy birthday, Happy birthday, God loves you.

Happy birthday and may all your dreams come true.

When you blow out the candles, one light stays aglow

It's the love light of our Lord for all to know.