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The Guards' Chapel



Crossing the Red Sea (detail) - Kotarbinski - 1890 - National Art Museum of Ukraine
"So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth." - Exodus 14:19-21

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Season of Creation

Holy Eucharist
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
September 17, 2023

We gather today on the traditional territory of the Algonquin nation. May we always dwell on this land with respect and peace.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 67 ~ *red prayer book*

Greeting

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The Communion *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar rail. After receiving the bread, you may either drink from the cup or cross your arms to indicate your wish to honour it. Taking only the bread is considered a full communion. Dipping the wafer in the wine is not permitted. Gluten-free wafers are available for those who require it — please advise the priest.*

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Blessing	

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Catherine Ascah
Communion Assistant: Brian Eckert
Sidesperson and Reader: Barbara Konst

THE CALENDAR

Submitted by Chris Burn

The Earth – our Land

To Moosonee and Moose Factory, until the early 20th century Moose Fort, founded 350 years ago and now one of the oldest formal settlements in Ontario. It is the place of Mushkegowuk, the Cree people of the swampy lands on the west side of James Bay. Also of the Mocrebec Eeyoud, people from the east side who have made it their home. The hospitality and friendliness of people whose custom is to share what they harvest amends some stereotypes of Indigenous people, nurtures respect, and opens the door to reconciliation in action. St Thomas's Church built by John Horden in 1864–85, is now run by a ministry team of Indigenous deacons. They all meet in a different building, the original church being in a bad way. They sing hymns and read the epistle in Cree. Grace Delaney, the warm, kind, and friendly leader, preached about Easter. Easter comes in the spring with Canada geese, well fed on grain, flying in their thousands to their breeding grounds. Now they are beginning to return, but "we don't hunt them now, they taste like seaweed." The first hunt leads to a feast, a goose for the hunter, a goose for his wife, and a goose for the children. A stuffing after the hungry days and nights of winter when people starved and some died. If they made it until the geese returned, they had new life. "The year would begin again," said Grace. Not at Christmas, but at Easter. Ours could do too. Grace had confidence that the land would provide for them, not always in abundance, but enough. Earlier we had plucked and eaten ducks and gobbled up moose meat sausages with Sonny and Florence Morrison. The family said grace and prayed for everyone at the table in turn. Florence knew there was more to our meeting than simply time and place. The Creation and Creator are inseparable. It must have been similar in Galilee. The church service started late. The police were there as the basement of the building had been ransacked overnight. Grace asked us to forgive the burglars, for she is painfully aware of the drugs in the community and the desperation to satiate addiction. The intruders had left the sanctuary alone. It was a stark contrast between a land with things perhaps as they were meant to be and another in the desperate situation we have created for ourselves.

ue to meet virtually over the summer every Thursday morning. Please contact Stephen Woolcombe for more information and Zoom coordinates: swoollcombe@sympatico.ca

BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

Architectural plans for the expansion of washrooms in the church have been approved by the building committee and an application for a building permit is underway. There will be a request for tenders issued in November with plans for the work to commence in January 2024. If you have any questions, please speak with Barry Walker.

LITURGICAL LEXICON: SEASON OF CREATION September 1 – October 4 marks the Season of Creation. At St. Bartholomew's we will mark this season liturgically with a creation litany used at the time of the intercessions, one of the authorized supplemental Eucharistic prayers and the fraction sentence (breaking of the bread) 3. Supplemental Eucharistic Prayer 1 reflects a Reformed theological conscience and inclusive, creation-themed language. Breaking of the Bread 3 in the BAS is one that speaks to our particularly Canadian image of vast prairie wheat fields and the portrayal of Canada as the "bread basket of the world." Chris Burn is focussing his "Calendar" contributions on the theme of creation, and our Organist and Music Director is introducing Marty Haugen's Mass of Creation settings for the Sanctus and Agnus Dei. Transitioning into a new liturgical season is a good time to introduce new tunes and music to the liturgy.

The season concludes on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4). For more information about the Season of Creation in general, visit <https://www.anglican.ca/publicwitness/season-of-creation/>

PWRDF NEWS

In this year of unprecedented wildfires from coast to coast, PWRDF (Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) is establishing a fund specifically for in-Canada emergency response. This new fund will allow us to respond quickly when a diocese asks us for support, rather than wait to raise funds for individual disasters. You can donate directly to the In-Canada Emergency fund at any time. You can also mail a cheque to PWRDF at 80 Hayden Street, 3rd floor, Toronto, ON, M4Y 3G2. Please indicate In-Canada Emergency in the memo field. Visit www.pwrdf.org for more information and news about PWRDF and its work at home and around the world.

BAZAAR NOVEMBER 4 Posters and flyers are available for pick up.

JEWELLERY TABLE Now is the time to have a look at your treasures and decide what you might light to recycle! Please think of your Bazaar - the Jewellery table is one of the main "earners"! Thanks for your help. Contacts: Linda 613-298-9980 or Liz 613-601-8692.

PRESERVES TABLE Calling all creators of Marmalades, Jams, Jellies, Chutneys, Pickles, Salsas — we need your offerings in 250ml and 125ml volumes again this year for the Preserves Table at the Bazaar! Thank you in advance for your generosity! For more info, contact Sally Doherty at sally.doherty@bell.net or 613-237-4474 (H) 613-402-6235 ©

CRAFTS/KNITTING TABLE If you enjoy making crafts and have some time, please consider making some items for the Crafts/Knitting Table. People still look for simple knitted scarves, hats and items for babies and children. For more information about this table, please contact Table Convener, Diane Anido at 613-746-0298 or dcanido@yahoo.ca

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

The Book of Alternative Services, p. 185 ~ green prayer book

Prelude Adagio (Op. 5, No. 10)

Archangelo Corelli

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Hymn 10 We, the Lord's People

Christe Sanctorum

Greeting

Collect for Purity

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Gloria

p. 186/Hymn 686

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.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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 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.

Psalm 114



Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech, Judah became the sanctuary of the Lord and Israel the dominion of God. **Refrain**

The sea beheld it and fled; Jordan turned and went back. The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like young sheep. **Refrain**

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? **Refrain**

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. **Refrain**

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME BACK CHOIR St. Bartholomew's choir is back! Weekly rehearsals have resumed on Tuesdays at 7:30pm. New members are welcome. If you love to sing, don't be shy! Come to a rehearsal or speak with Tim Piper to get more information.

EVENSONG FOR MICHAELMAS THURS SEPTEMBER 28 7PM Join us for a traditional BCP service of Evensong on the eve of St. Michael and All Angels.

SOUPER SUPPER SEPTEMBER 28 Souper Supper is back! There will be a Souper Supper before the service of Evensong on September 28. Free-will donations will go to support the work of PWRDF. Please plan to attend and stay tuned for details to follow! Any questions, and offers of soup-making, please contact Shelagh M'Gonigle shelaghmq@gmail.com or Judy Wiesinger judyatstbarts@gmail.com.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS SUN OCTOBER 1 4 PM We will conclude Season of Creation with a Blessing of Animals service on Sunday, October 1 at 4pm in the courtyard behind the parish hall (inside the parish hall in case of inclement weather). This gentle and informal service is open to the wider community, and we are collaborating with our neighbours at MacKay United Church. All creatures, great and small are welcome! Spread the word to friends, family and neighbours.

WALKING PILGRIMAGE SAT OCTOBER 7 10 AM-2PM (rain or shine)

Canon Catherine will be leading a walking pilgrimage in Gatineau Park combining silence, reflection, companionship, and lunch. If you can walk 4-5 km and climb up 20 steps with ease, then please consider joining in. More information will be available soon.

THE PARSON'S SOUP The Rector's kitchen is ramping up. Choose from butternut squash & apple bisque or roasted carrot & shallot. Soups cost \$5 per 475ml/16oz container and will be delivered frozen starting the week of Oct 2. Proceeds to benefit St. Bartholomew's. Contact the parish office to order: stbartsottawa@gmail.com

COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP Please consider hosting one of the coffee hours after church on Sundays. The sign-up sheet is outside the kitchen. Coffee and tea supplies are on hand. You don't need to provide elaborate treats if that's not your "wheelhouse", so don't be intimidated. What's important is that we can gather to share in fellowship.

PINT AND A PASSAGE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25 7PM

Join the conversation around the Gospel passage for the upcoming Sunday at Clocktower Pub (Beechwood & MacKay). Bring your Bible and an open mind.

BRIDGE CLUB Mondays 2-4pm. Contact Michael Revere at mrevere@magma.ca for details.

BIBLE STUDY Thursdays at 10 am on Zoom. Contact Michael Revere at mrevere@magma.ca for details.

WEEKLY MEDITATION - Thursdays at 8:00 a.m. on Zoom. Meditation Creates Community - Our meditation group is a member of the WCCM (wccm.org), a global spiritual community united in the practice of meditation in the Christian tradition. Our group will contin-

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

Diocese: We pray for Shane, our Bishop, Anne, our Metropolitan, Linda, our Primate; The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle, the Ministry of Reconciliation and National Indigenous Bishop, The Right Rev. Christopher Harper; Christ Church, Aylmer, The Reverend Robert Sicard; for volunteer university and college campus chaplains; for vocations to the diaconate, the priesthood, and religious life.

Canada: Members of the Governor General's Foot Guards and those serving in diplomatic missions and NGOs

Parish: Isabel & Bob, Elizabeth, Cara, Katie, Lise, Nan, Bess, Ed, David, Francis, Paul, Shirley, Carol and Ron, Kathy, Cathy, Michel, Harriet and Family, and the residents, staff and volunteers of the Garry J. Armstrong Home

PARISH PRAYER LIST

For additions to the list, please contact the office. Names will remain on the list for two weeks unless otherwise notified.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please consider contributing to Sunday's flowers to celebrate an event or to remember a loved one. Consult the flower chart in the parish hall to select a date and then contact Pamela Mallon 613-724-0690 to confirm and provide details for the bulletin. A \$100 donation is suggested. Mark cheques *Altar Flowers* as tax receipts will be issued.

Pamela Mallon, Altar Guild

Children are very welcome in the liturgies. There are seasonal activity packages at the back of the church to keep busy hands and minds occupied. Feel free to use them and to take them home at the end of the service.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

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."

Gradual Hymn 559 Blessed Jesus, At Your Word

Liebster Jesu

Sermon

The Peace

The Offertory

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Hymn 455 Dear God, Compassionate and Kind

Repton

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer No. 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your

Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of 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. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share Our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into the one bread. **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

The Communion *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar rail. After receiving the bread, you may either drink from the cup or cross your arms to indicate your wish to honour it. Taking only the bread is considered a full communion. Dipping the wafer in the wine is not allowed. Gluten-free wafers are available for those who require it. Please advise the priest. If the steps to the rail are a challenge, please advise the sidesperson and communion will be brought to you.*

Hymn I Lift Up My Eyes to Your Throne River

**I lift up my eyes to your throne,
Lord as I lose myself in you.
The song in my heart will be yours alone.
My treasure is in the cross,
Jesus I love to meet you there.
I hunger and thirst for you, now flood my soul.**

**River of love, river of healing, Holy Spirit flow.
River of grace, river of mercy flow.
River of peace, river of promise, Holy Spirit flow.
River of joy, river of blessing flow.**

Communion Motet Subdue us by Thy Goodness J. S. Bach

Prayer after Communion

Doxology p. 214
Blessing

Hymn 438 O Jesus, I have Promised Wolvercote

Dismissal

Postlude Gigue (Op. 5, No. 10) Archangelo Corelli

Please refrain from applause after the postlude.

Presiding Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah

Sidespersons: Calum Carmichael; Richard Remillard

Readers: Serge Bellet; Sally Doherty

Intercessor: Nancy Millson

Communion Assistants: Sally Doherty; Michael Beall

Join us in the parish hall for fellowship following the service.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Stephen Brereton by his wife Carolyn and his sons William and James.

Canon Catherine will be away from the parish September 18-20 attending the Diocesan Clergy Conference. In case of pastoral emergency, please contact (613)859-4962.