



Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

St. Augustine Parkland Anglican Church
131 Church Road
Spruce Grove Alberta

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Service, October 31st, 2021

Rector: The Very Rev. Neil Gordon
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Abba, Father (Pre-Service Hymn)

Abba, Abba Father,
You are the potter;
we are the clay,
the work of Your hands.

Mould us, mould us and fashion us
into the image of Jesus, Your Son,
of Jesus, Your Son.

Abba, Abba Father,
You are the potter;
we are the clay,
the work of Your hands.

Father, may we be one in You.
May we be one in You as He is in You
and You are in Him.

Abba, Abba Father,
You are the potter;
we are the clay,
the work of Your hands.

Glory, glory and praise to You.
Glory and praise to You forever, amen,
forever, amen.

Abba, Abba Father,
You are the potter;
we are the clay,
the work of Your hands.

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun - CP 383

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
doth its successive journeys run;

his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
the prisoners leap to lose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
peculiar honours to our King,
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud Amen.

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

Glory to God

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,
People **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 of the Day

Celebrant: Please join me in today's Collect,
All: **Almighty God,
whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call,
rejoicing in your promise
that in him the family of the earth is blessed,
give us faith like his,
that in us your promises may be fulfilled;
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 (Andrea)

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF RUTH

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the

land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die - there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Hallelujah

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.

When they breathe their last, the return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;

who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The Lord sets the captive free.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord opens the eyes of the blind;
the Lord lifts us those who are bowed down;
the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord cares for the stranger;
the Lord sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Second Reading (Elizabeth)

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

You Call Us, Lord, to Be - CP 450

You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart,
to feel with thoughtful mind and think with tender heart.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbour too,
to take the risk, and dare to show what love can do.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to be good stewards of the earth;
to tend it as a place of blessedness and worth.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace

to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live,
to know we best receive when joyfully we give.
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask
for faith in your unfailing grace
to make us equal to the task.

Gospel

Reader THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

People **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbour as oneself,' - this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

**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.

The Prayers of the People (Elizabeth)

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant invites people to confession in these are similar words

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.

Silence is kept.

The officiant and people say together;

**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.**

Celebrant says,

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

Refiner's Fire

Purify my heart,
let me be as gold and precious silver.
Purify my heart,
let me be as gold, pure gold.

Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire,
is to be holy
Set apart for You Lord
I choose to be holy,
set apart for You my master.
Ready to do Your will.

Purify my heart,
cleanse me from within
and make me holy.
Purify my heart,
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire,
is to be holy
Set apart for You Lord
I choose to be holy,
set apart for You my master.
Ready to do Your will.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: Please join me in the prayer over the gifts,
All: **God of freedom,
accept all we offer you this day.
May we embrace the law of your service
and know the glorious liberty of the children of God.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 4

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 It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*All 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.
Hosanna in the highest.*

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, “Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he give you thanks, and said, “drink this, all of you: this is my blood for 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.”

All **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant “I am the bread which has come down from heaven,” says the Lord.

People **Give us this bread for ever.**

Celebrant "I am the vine, you are the branches."
People **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.
People **Thanks be to God.**

How Great Thou Art - CP 423

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I heart the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin;

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
and claim his own, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Please join with me in the prayer after communion.

All: **Heavenly Father,
bring to perfection within us
the communion we share in this sacrament.
May the unity we know this day
live in our community and family.
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

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.**

The Blessing

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee - CP 425

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving
ever blessing, ever blest,

wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father and our Mother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- We pray for Metropolitan Greg, Primate Linda, and Bishop Stephen. We also pray for our clergy, Father Neil, Rev. John and Rev. Lesley.
- We pray for the Diocese of Ottawa: the Rt. Rev. Shane Parker, Bishop. St. Andrew, Camrose: Trina Holmberg, Rector; Daryle Kerr, Honorary Assistant; Bev Shafer, Secretary. Buyé Diocese, Kigufi Parish: Audace Gahungu, Rector. Montana First Nation.
- in the world Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.
- We pray for the sick, the bereaved and those with special needs, especially remembering Linda & Joe, Larry, Bill, Doreen, Margaret, Stephen, Bud & Anne, Aleshia.
- In our own parish this week, we pray for Tanya & Henry, Gorvin & Debbie, Gloria, Bob & Marion, Bill & Debbie; and their families.