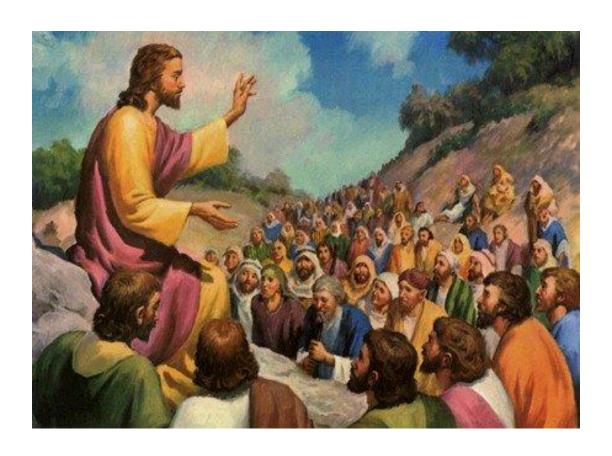


St. Paul's Anglican Church

"Connecting people with God and each other "

Sunday, August 16, 2020: 11th Sunday After Pentecost

Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. (Matthew 4:23)



ST. PAUL'S COVID-19 RESPONSE

Welcome!! During this unique time in history, services will look a bit different than normal and will likely be different for quite a while. We want to care for the whole parish during this time and one way to care for one another is keeping each other safe. As such, we ask you to follow these guidelines while worshiping with us:

- Experiencing Cough, Fever, or Other Symptom/s? Go home immediately and please stay home for fourteen days following the end of your symptoms.
- Wear a Mask. All parishioners must wear a mask to all services (as per City of Edmonton bylaw 19408). Exceptions to this include children under the age of two and those with a medical condition where wearing a mask is not possible. Masks may be removed when taking communion but must be replaced immediately following. If you do not have a mask, we have cloth masks available in the foyer.
- Maintain Physical Distance. At all times, please remain a minimum of six feet (three seat spaces) from all other individuals not part of your family unit. You will find tape on the floor six feet apart in multiple locations to help you maintain this distance. Please also maintain physical distance outside.
- Listen to the Ushers. There will be ushers inside and outside to help direct these new
 procedures. Please heed their direction as they are trying to keep everyone safe and
 healthy.
- **Sign-In Upon Arrival.** Please sign-in with the designated usher when you arrive onsite. This will help us track who is in attendance just in case we do have to notify the parish if someone tests Covid positive following a service.
- Sanitize Hands Frequently. Please sanitize your hands upon entry and before taking communion. You may also sanitize as often as you would like during the service. Please also try to refrain from touching surfaces and your face.
- Refrain from Singing. At this time, congregational singing is not allowed by the
 government of Alberta. Please listen to the lyrics being sung by the leader/s and
 meditate upon them. You may also hum along to the music as long as your mouth
 remains closed.
- **Recycle Bulletins.** Please do not leave bulletins in the pews. A recycle bin is available at the exit door. You may also take the bulletin home.
- Use of Washroom. The only washroom available at this time is located at the back of the Sanctuary (just North of the Main Entry doors). Please wipe down all surfaces (including toilet and handle, counter, and faucet) following use.
- Parts of Building Closed. At this time, the only accessible parts of the building are the Sanctuary, Sanctuary washroom, and alley foyer. All other rooms are closed for use including the main washrooms, hall, basement, and chapel. Please do not access any closed section of the building without permission.

Opening Song: Arise

For You are good

Your love endures forever

And we rejoice in Your unfailing love

Consume our praise

With fire down from heaven

And fill us with Your power from above

For You are good

(To Chorus)

Your love endures forever

And we rejoice in Your unfailing love

Salvation comes from You alone

Oh Lamb of God, the chosen One

That we might be Your resting place

We worship You we seek Your face

Consume our praise

With fire down from heaven

And fill us with Your power from above

(To Chorus)

(*Chorus*) Arise, Arise Arise, oh Lord, our God Arise

Arise, oh Lord, within our midst As we declare Your righteousness Lift up the name that we confess As we proclaim Your holiness (*To Chorus*)

Penitential Rite

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with

penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain

forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence is Kept

All: 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.

Leader: 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.

All: Amen.

Morning Prayer

Leader: The Lord is in his holy temple: O come, let us worship.

All: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and

come before his presence with a song. Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the

sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name. For the

Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from

age to age.

The Reading of Scripture

First Reading: Genesis 45:1-15

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Send everyone away from me." So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or anary with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty. And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here." Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

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

Canticle: Psalm 133 (spoken together)

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

<u>Processional Chorus – Hallelujah to My King</u>

Hallelujah, what a Savior
I owe everything to Him
Hallelujah to my King

The Gospel Reading

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:10-28

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter

said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship Through Song Hallelujah to My King

O how strong the power of Jesus' Name It is stronger than any other name How sweet the victory That bore my shame Took the burden of my sin away

(Chorus) Hallelujah, what a Savior I owe everything to Him Hallelujah, what a Savior Hallelujah to my King

O how great the kindness Our God has shown We were strangers Now we're called His own His grace has welcomed The sinner home
Tender mercies lead us to the throne
(*To Chorus*)

Hallelujah, Hallelujah to my King Hallelujah, Hallelujah to my King

O what peace the Spirit of Jesus brings Through the trials He will carry me One day in Heaven our eyes will meet Filled with wonder all the saints will sing (*To Chorus*)

I Will Praise Him Still

When the morning falls
On the farthest hill
I will sing His name, I will praise Him still

When dark trials come And my heart is filled With the weight of doubt I will praise Him still

(Chorus) For the Lord our God

He is strong to save From the arms of death From the deepest grave

And He gave us life in His perfect will And by His good grace I will praise Him still (*To Chorus*)

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Listening Time

Sermon by David Heritage – Sermon Notes:					

Affirmation of Faith - Love

All:

We believe in God, who is love, whose love is manifest in all Creation, in our lives, and in all people. We follow Christ, who embodied God's love. In his life and ministry, his death and resurrection, and his granting to us of his Spirit, he filled us with that love as well. We live by the Spirit, the presence of God's love in us. In that love we participate in the Church, Body of Christ, in loving God by loving our neighbors through our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service. Love is our faith, and it is a gift from God. We thank God, and ask God's blessings, that we may love in the name of Christ and the power of the Spirit, to God's glory. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader:

Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer." Let us pray for those in the St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Andrew, Nancy, Greg, Tim, and Emily Whistance-Smith; David and Heather Mackintosh; Patti Nicholl; and Margaret Ushko; as well as all of those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: the Lord keep them in his love and grace.

All:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader:

Let us pray for the peace of the world: the Lord grant that we may live

together in justice and faith.

Leader:

All:

All:

Let us pray for this country, and especially for Queen Elizabeth, the Governor General, the Prime Minister, and all in authority: the Lord help them to serve this people according to his holy will.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader:

Let us pray for children and young people: the Lord guide their growth

and development.

All:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader:

Let us pray for the sick: the Lord deliver them and keep them in his love.

All:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader:

Let us pray for all who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labour, for the sake of justice and truth: the Lord support them

and keep them steadfast.

All:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We remember the prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all who have borne

witness to the gospel: the Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of

service and sacrifice.

All: Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

The Collect

Leader: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our

hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: 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.

Closing Song: The Lord is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me

And pulled me from the raging sea

My debt is paid and the victory won

The Lord is my salvation

And I am safe on this solid ground

The Lord is my salvation My hope is hidden in the Lord

He flowers each promise of His Word

I will not fear when darkness falls

When winter fades

His strength will help me

I know spring will come

Scale these walls

The Lord is my salvation

I'll see the dawn of the rising sun

The Lord is my salvation In times of waiting, times of need When I know loss, when I am weak

(*Chorus*) Who is like the Lord our God I know His grace will renew these days

Strong to save, faithful in love The Lord is my salvation

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(*Chorus*) Who is like the Lord our God Strong to save, faithful in love My debt is paid and the victory won The Lord is my salvation And when I reach the final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise, He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation (*To Chorus*)

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.



Sunday, August 23, 6:00 pm

Bring a lawn chair, bug spray and a picnic snack!

Location: East Parking Lot (Gravel)

* Social distancing * masks encouraged *

In order to give the most space for outside seating, please do not park in the gravel parking lot.

This Week's Ministry Teams:

Music: Andrew and Team Service Team: Parker and Heritage Reader/Prayers: Rick and Barb M.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer:

Andrew, Nancy, Greg, Tim, and Emily Whistance-Smith: David and Heather Mackintosh: Patti Nicholl; Margaret Ushko

Next Week's Ministry Teams:

Music: Jodi and Team Service Team: B and Jackson Teams Reader/Prayers: Renée J.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Diocese of Rupert's Land; the Rt. Rev. Geoffrey Woodcroft, Bishop, Holy Trinity, Edmonton: Interim Ministry; Danielle Lepine, Associate Priest; Allan Bonertz (s. Marg), Penny Bruce and Robin Walker (s. Joanne), Honorary Assistants; Eileen Edwards, Children and Families Coordinator; RJ Chambers, Arts Administrator; Janette Chambers (s. RJ), Office Administrator. Buyé Diocese, Kirima Parish: Etienne Kajekaremerwa, Rector. Frog Lake First Nation.

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