

October 19, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Pentecost 19th Sunday



NINETEENTH SUNDAY

after Pentecost

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Pentecost 19 – Eucharistic Service

Celebrant: Sego everybody

All: Sego

Celebrant: We gather today on the traditional homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquin people.

All: May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

Opening Sentence:

Celebrant: The word of God is living and active; it sifts the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (*Hebrews 4.12*)

Opening Hymn – 577 - *God of Grace and God of Glory* (Verses 1, 2)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eo5o_v4XNfY&list=RDEo5o_v4XNfY&start_radio=1

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| 1. God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour. | for the living of these days,
for the living of these days. |
| 2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us,
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us,
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, | 3. Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal. |
| | 4. Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore;
let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore. |

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.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: 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.

Kyre Eleison

Celebrant: Lord have mercy,

All: Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Collect

Celebrant: Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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 Scripture

First Reading: *Jeremiah 31: 27-34*

(Sylvia Thomas)

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will plant the kingdoms of Israel and Judah with the offspring of people and of animals. Just as I watched over them to uproot and tear down, and to overthrow, destroy and bring disaster, so I will watch over them to build and to plant,” declares the Lord. “In those days people will no longer say, ‘The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge.’ Instead, everyone will die for their own sin; whoever eats sour grapes—their own teeth will be set on edge. “The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 119: 97-104

(Brian Raynard)

Oh, how I love your law!
I meditate on it all day long.
Your commands are always with me
and make me wiser than my enemies.
I have more insight than all my teachers,
for I meditate on your statutes.
I have more understanding than the elders,
for I obey your precepts.
I have kept my feet from every evil path
so that I might obey your word.
I have not departed from your laws,
for you yourself have taught me.
How sweet are your words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth!
I gain understanding from your precepts;
therefore, I hate every wrong path.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5

(Rob Mantle)

Reader: A Reading from Paul's 2nd letter to the Timothy

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn – – 685 (*Voices United*) - *We Turn to You*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=17TBTZW3UeM> (no vocals)

1 We turn to you, O God of every nation,
giver of good and origin of life;
your love is at the heart of all creation,
your hurt is people's pain in war and death.

2 We turn to you that we may be forgiven
for crucifying Christ on earth again.
We know that we have never wholly striven
to share with all the promise of your reign.

3 Teach us, good Lord, to serve the need of others,
help us to give and not to count the cost.
Unite us all to live as sisters, brother,
defeat our Babel with your Pentecost!

The Holy Gospel *Luke 18: 1-8*

(Reverend Nash Smith)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

All: Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' "For some time he refused. But finally, he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Celebrant: This is the Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: 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.

Prayers of the People - Thanksgiving Litany

(David Picklyk)

Leader: Let us give thanks to God our Father, always and for everything, saying, “We thank you, Lord.”

For the beauty and wonder of creation. **We thank you, Lord.**

For all that is gracious in the lives of men, and women, revealing the image of Christ. **We thank you, Lord.**

For our daily food, for our homes, and families and friends. **We thank you, Lord.**

For minds to think and hearts to love. **We thank you, Lord.**

For health, strength, and skill to work, and for leisure to rest and play. **We thank you, Lord.**

For those who are brave and courageous, patient in suffering and faithful in adversity. **We thank you, Lord.**

For all who pursue peace, justice, and truth. **We thank you, Lord.**

For St. James and all the saints whose lives have reflected the light of Christ. **We thank you, Lord.**

We pray for The Episcopal Church

We pray for *Archbishop Shane Parker*, Primate of Canada, *Archbishop Anne Germond*, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, and *Nash*, our priest

We pray for The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, *the Right Reverend Christopher Harper*, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation

We pray for the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and *Archbishop Hosam Naoum*

We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare to elect a new bishop, for those discerning a call to let their name stand for election, and for the candidates

We pray for the Members of Synod, and for our diocesan Administrator, *Bishop Michael Bird*

We pray for St. Margaret's, Vanier and *Reverend Colin McFarland* and *Reverend Canon Aigah Attagutsiak*

In our community, **we pray for** *Nyla, Dhru, and Patrick Staulus, Chris and Mary Collin, Diane Manryk, Georges De Roy, Joyce Clark, Phyllis Harris, Barbara Harvey-Harris, Denyse, Talia Wootton, Caide Murray, Mike Bula, Marilyn, Richard Racine, Rob and Kim Green, Vera Guy and family, Penelope Foster, Larry O'Brien, Bonnie Lynn Perry, Amber Wiseman, Heather Buckle, Grace Earle, Brenda Ramsden, Julie Porter, Rod Lethbridge, Lise Bellefeuille, Nicole Ladouceur-Larocque, Carole Ladouceur, Erica and Peter* and for those who are known to you alone. Are there others?

The family of Greta Sheard, led by her son, Dwight and his wife, and her daughter, Linda, asks for your prayers for their mother who at 99 is very ill and at the Waterford Retirement home. She is in the last stages of palliative care. The Lord grant her His Comfort and Solace to bear this difficult time in her life. Father Nash visited with them on Friday, October 17, 2025. Greta was a long-time member of our parish from the 1950s to the 1970s.

Reverend Nash asks for your prayers for his parish family at St Thomas the Apostle, Alta Vista, Babs (his mum), Eric (his dad) and the entire Dunstan family, Emelda Haynes and Pat Martin. The Lord grant them all His healing miracle.

In our parish cycle, **we pray for** *Wendy Taylor*

In our neighbourhood, **we pray for** *the residents, staff, guests, and visitors of the Ottawa Rotary Home and Bridlewood Retirement Residence.*

In our parish memorial cycle, **we remember** *Anne Gregory. Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites everybody to the Kingdom of Love. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.

Celebrant: 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.**

The Peace *(standing)*

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

All: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn – 505 - *Be Thou My Vision*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DZyaYEOWjhw&list=RDDZyaYEOWjhw&start_radio=1

1 Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;	I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:	Thou my great Father; thine own may I be,
Thou my best thought, by day or by night;	Thou in me dwelling and I one with thee.
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.	3 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
2 Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;	Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
	Thou and Thou only first in my heart,

high King of heaven, my treasure thou
art.

may I reach heaven's joys, O bright
heaven's sun!

4 High King of heaven, my victory won,

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Prayer over the Gifts

All: Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

Eucharistic Prayer 2

(Communion Server – Vic Wootton)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; by water and the Holy Spirit, you have made us a holy people in Jesus Christ our Lord; you renew that mystery in bread and wine and nourish us, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the holy people who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus -735 - (sung) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j7F8jQo4xoE>

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.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As Jesus has taught us, we are bold to pray together:

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 #2

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.

The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

Communion Hymn – 544 (Blue Book) - *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7brCJdqEcVM&list=RD7brCJdqEcVM&start_radio=1

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| 1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind, | beside the Syrian sea |
| forgive our foolish ways; | the gracious calling of the Lord, |
| reclathe us in our rightful mind, | let us, like them, without a word |
| in purer lives thy service find, | rise up and follow thee. |
| in deeper reverence, praise. | |
| 2 In simple trust like theirs who heard | 3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee, |
| | O calm of hills above, |

where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!

4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,

till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and
stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Prayer After Communion (*standing*)

All: God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Celebrant: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All: And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God. we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

Announcements

Operation Christmas Child Boxes are still available at the back. **Brochures** are now in and available. The final date for returning the boxes is Sunday, November 16th.

Next Parish Council Meeting – Sunday, October 19, 2025 **(This Sunday)** following the service. Bring your own lunch.

Next White Gifts Sunday and Coffee Hour – Sunday November 2, 2025. We welcome donations of non-perishable food and lunch contributions for coffee hour.

50/50 Draw – We are now selling tickets for our 50/50 Draw to support our Christmas lighting. 1 ticket for \$2, 3 tickets for \$5 and \$20 for an arm's length.

Next Bridlewood Service – Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 10 a.m.

Closing Hymn – 434 - *The Love of Jesus Calls Us* (Verses 1, 2)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RhoC8nTzTvM&list=RDRhoC8nTzTvM&start_radio=1

The love of Jesus calls us, our joyous praise to sing;
our deeply felt thanksgivings we now together bring,
for all God's many blessings, unasked yet still received,
and for the generations who faithfully believed.

The love of Jesus calls us, that we may always be
companions on a journey where all the world may see,
that serving Christ is freedom, which time does not destroy;
where Christ's command is duty, and every duty joy.

The love of Jesus calls us, to go where he would go,
to challenge all that limits, to change, to learn, to grow,
to know that Christ has freed us, that prisons are no more;
for those who seek his kingdom, Christ opens every door.

The love of Jesus calls us, in swiftly changing days,
to be God's co-creators in new and wondrous ways;
that God, with men and women, may so transform the earth,
that love and peace and justice may give God's kingdom birth.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit
All: Thanks be to God.

Departure Song - *Go Now in Peace*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MT63OTp2qeU>

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.

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Readings for Next Sunday: October 26, 2025, Pentecost 20: Morning Prayer

Psalm 63:1–8 – *Carole Ladouceur*

Psalm 98 – *Mike Thomas*

Hagar 1:1 – 2:9 – *David Picklyk*

Acts 18:24 – 19:7 – *Cyrille Djina*

Prayers of the People - *Glenn Clark*