

ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

15th Sunday After Pentecost

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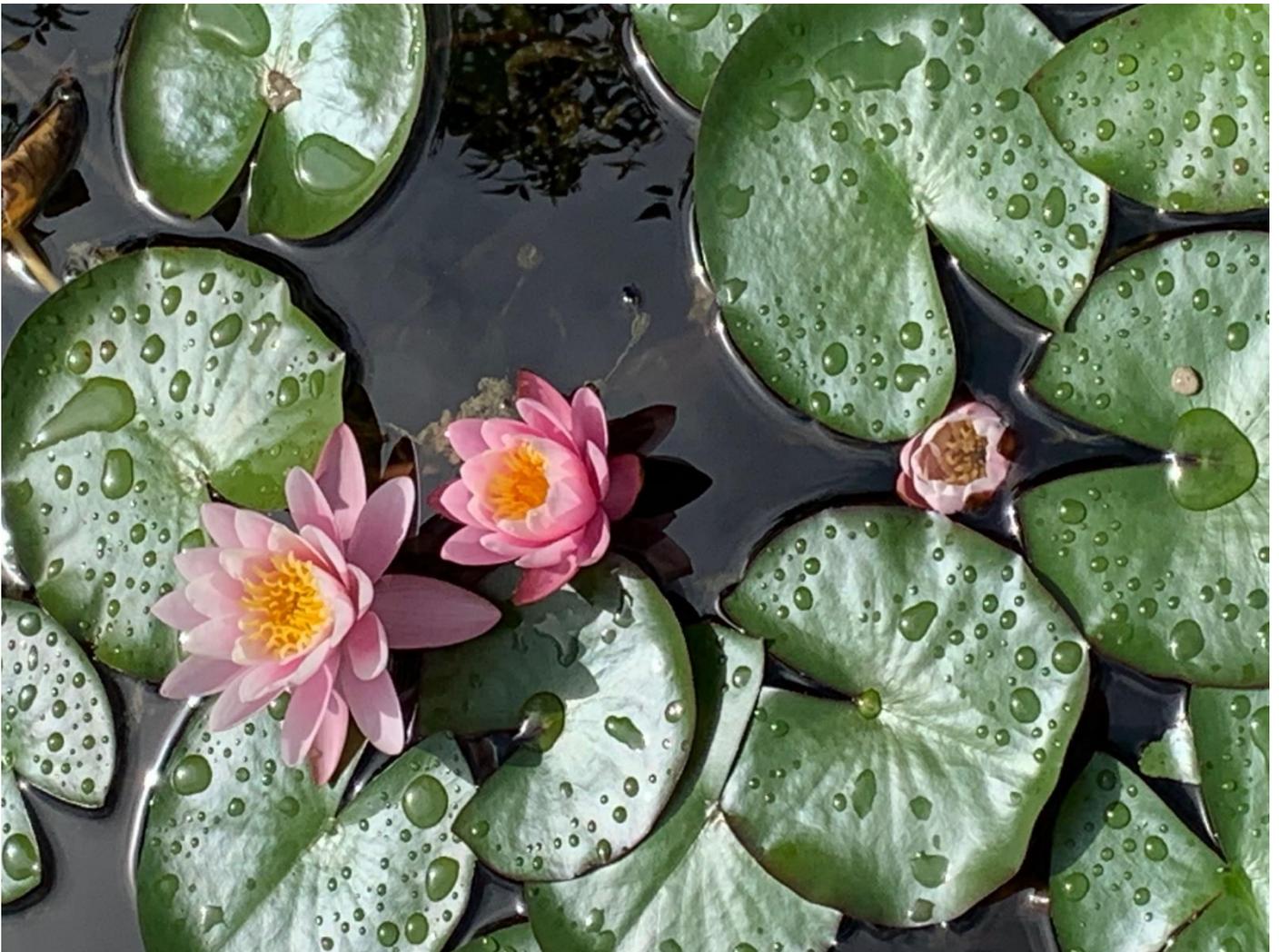


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A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. John 13:34

Welcome to St Matthew's

St. Matthew's is a vibrant Christian community that welcomes everyone, embraces inspiring worship and learning, and is committed to hospitality and loving service. Join us on a journey as we SEEK and together DISCOVER a way to LIVE.

We gather on the traditional territory of the Algonquin Nation

About this Bulletin

Our regular Sunday Worship bulletin has been adapted to be used with our online worship service. A link to this service is provided in the email you were sent, and will be broadcast at 10am on Sunday morning on YouTube and Facebook. The first airing of the service is *live*: If you arrive late, you will have to wait until the service is over to return to the beginning.

I hope you enjoy our worship together this morning!

Rev. Geoff Chapman+

Scripture Readings for Next Week

Exodus 16: 2-15

Psalms 105: 1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1: 21-30

Matthew 20: 1-16

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Hymn: 7, New Every Morning Is the Love

Melcombe

1 New every morning is the love
our wakening and uprising prove;
through sleep and darkness safely brought,
restored to life and power and thought.

2 New mercies, each returning day,
hover around us while we pray;
new perils past, new sins forgiven,
new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

6 Only, O Lord, in thy dear love,
fit us for perfect rest above;
and help us, this and every day,
to live more nearly as we pray.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

And also with you.

Almighty God, **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.**

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 forever. **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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 114

Tonus Peregrinus

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

Judah became God's sanctuary and Israel his dominion.

The sea beheld it and fled; Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like young sheep.

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?
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.

Second Reading: Romans 14: 1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling 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 judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment 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 honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor 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 judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment 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.

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Gradual Hymn: 647, Spirit of the Living God

Living God

1. Spirit of the living God,
move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind,
make us one in love,
humble, caring,
selfless, sharing,
Spirit of the living God,
fill our lives with love.

2. Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me;
break me, melt me,
mould me, fill me,
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.

The Gospel: Matthew 18: 21-35

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is written in the eighteenth chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew, beginning at the twenty-first verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Peter came and said to him, “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.”

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Geoff Chapman

The Apostles' Creed

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

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray:

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.

Blessing

Hymn:

Halton Holgate

481 May the Grace of Christ Our Saviour

1 May the grace of Christ our Sav- iour, and the Fa- ther's bound-less love,
2 Thus may we a - bide in un - ion with each oth - er and the Lord,
3 To the God whose wis- dom made us, to the Son who set us free,

with the Ho - ly Spir - it's fav - our, rest up - on us from a - bove.
and pos- sess in sweet com- mun- ion joys which earth can - not af - ford.
to the sanc- ti - fy - ing Spir - it, glo - ry, end - less glo - ry, be!

Postlude: "St. Anne"

Healey Willan

Announcements

Covid-Artz Project Launch	August 31
Pulse of the Parish – date for submission	September 18
CCSAC Virtual Walk	October 4

The Covid-Artz Project: Having been launched on Monday August 31st, the “Covid-Artz Project” is well under way! Three episodes have already been posted on the “St. Matthew’s Covid-Artz Project” channel on YouTube.com. A link can also be found on the parish website. Please feel free to share these wonderful videos with family and friends. Our parish online festival will run until Friday, September 18th, but the videos will remain available for viewing for sometime after. Kirkland Adsett.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYTXe1x-a8sIU6jICjNbD6g>

St. Matthew’s Online Auction: St. Matthew’s Fundraising committee is planning to have an online auction later this year. It will raise money for St. Matthew’s projects, with some monies going towards the FACES refugee project and Cornerstone Housing for women. Much smaller than the triennial Treasures Auction, we plan to offer a small number of high value items or events. These could include fine art, first edition books, wine, and future “events”. For information about donating items, please contact Peggy Nankivell at nankivell@rogers.com or 613-230-8669.

Pulse of the Parish - September 18th is the date for submission of contributions to the Pulse of the Parish. Please send to Val Needham: needhav@algonquincollege.com.

Curbside Visits - On Wednesdays this fall, from 12:00pm to 1:00pm, Rev Geoff will be sitting outside the First Ave entrance with his phone and a book, happy to read, but ready to chat! Please, stop by the church and introduce yourself. :) From 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Rev Geoff is hoping to fill his afternoon with “curbside visits,” where he will drive to meet you outside your home, and chat with you at a distance. Please let him know if you would like him to pop by for a visit, and please know that if you’re in the neighbourhood on Wednesdays at noon, he would love to chat outside in our lovely gardens.

Join us for Morning Prayer: We have begun recording Morning Prayer as a parish. You can find these prayers every morning on Facebook and YouTube. If you are interested in taking part in what we call the “Daily Office,” please contact Catherine our administrator at stmatthewanglicanchurch@bellnet.ca, and please contact Rev. Geoff if you have any questions at revgeoffchapman@stmatthewsottawa.ca. **We need volunteers.**

<https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsottawa>

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Zoom Coffee Hour: This has been cancelled until further notice.

Meditation Group: The Wednesday Meditation Group is continuing indefinitely at 12:30 PM each week. Please contact Sue Rayner at m.s.rayner@sympatico.ca to receive a Zoom invitation.

Sunday Morning Homily podcast

The Sunday morning sermons are available for you to listen to in audio form. They will be available on the Sunday morning of the service. We have a back catalogue of sermons to the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Access the Homily podcast through <https://stmatthewsinthelebe.podbean.com/>, or search for “St. Matthew’s Ottawa” on Apple podcasts.

Dialogue podcast

This podcast features conversation between Revs. Geoffrey Chapman and Kevin Flynn. The episodes feature discussion of the *Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity* by Richard Hooker, an important theological work, and foundational to the Anglican tradition. They are reading from a new English version of the work. Both Rev. Geoff and Rev. Kevin show great enthusiasm in their discussions! Access the Dialogue podcast through <https://stmatthewsdialogue.podbean.com/>, or search for “St. Matthew’s dialogue” on Apple podcasts.

The Centretown Churches Social Action Committee - The fifth annual Virtual Walk for the Centre is on October 4, 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Covid-19 has changed us! We are virtual, together in spirit, solo in walking with family or bubble in solidarity for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre. Sign up online at your virtual church team. We are accepting donations online www.centretownchurches.org or place your donation in a designated envelope, Walk-a-thon CCSAC with your name and address in the collection plate at the back of the church. Thank you for your outpouring of support. Elizabeth Kent 613-276-8128.

Giving During This Difficult Time: While our blessed St Matthew’s is closed, please consider one of the following ways to continue support for our church if you are able in these difficult times.

- sending a cheque in the mail
- using a credit card by calling the office (Monday to Thursday 9am to noon)
- St. Matthew’s website homepage “Donate Now” (links to Canada Helps)

- joining PAR (Pre-authorized Giving), if only for this period
 - to sign up for PAR, go to St. Matthew's website: www.stmatthewsottawa.ca and scroll to the bottom of the page to locate the form.
 - to ask questions, or receive a paper copy of the form, please email Brian Effer at StMattGlebePAR@gmail.com

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