



Monday, November 11, 2024
7 pm ~ Evening Prayer

*All Saints' is committed to the
Pattern of Life of Jesus the Christ lived out in
Radical Inclusion
Extravagant Equity and
Compassion that leads to Justice*

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Welcome Home

to the
Anglican Church



Welcome into the sacred space of All Saints' Peterborough, we are so glad you are here. All Saints' is an Anglican Church that is rooted in the pattern of life of Jesus the Christ, our ministry and worship is based on Christ's, Radical Inclusion, Extravagant Equity, and Compassion that Leads to Justice. We invite you to fill out one of our Welcome cards so that we can keep in touch, and please pick up one of our Welcome packages.

Land Acknowledgement

All Saints' Peterborough resides on the sacred land of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the first peoples of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be buried in this land. This sacred land is part of the Rice Lake Purchase, Treaty 20. All Saints' is committed to continued reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings, through continued education and the inclusion of readings from the First Nations Bible.

Liturgical Notes

1. In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews (also called Israelites) of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in God as the ancient peoples of God.
2. Younger and Elder Testament. The traditional terms for the testaments 'Old' and 'New' have been changed to Elder and Younger. This has been done as an act of equity and promise. Old and New are words in our society that add value to things – often anything that is old is considered less valuable than things that are new. In our Christian context the New Testament has replaced the Old Testament, which is not only an incorrect theology, but it has also tied to it ethnic value, and antisemitic tones. The words Elder and Younger are born out of equity, and the Younger Testament is born out of the Elder Testament.

PRELUDE

HYMN 575 LET STREAMS OF LIVING JUSTICE

PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT.

Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth;
Give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading, the worker's claim their rights,
the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.
Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power,
Abolish ancient vengeance, proclaim your people's hour

For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,
For love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together, knit our lives as they are spun;
On your loom of time enrol us till our thread of life is run.
O great Weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one;
Dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.

Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek;
Your harmony is language: we are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service, our hope in other's dreams,
Our love in hand of neighbour: our home land brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way - the path untried;
Your truth - the heart of stranger, your life - the Crucified.

WELCOME

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Officiant All creation sings to the glory of its Creator.

All Thanks be to God for the gift of all peoples, creatures and this planet that sustains us. For our First Nations, Metis, and Inuit siblings and their care of this land we are standing and worshipping on. All things come from God, and we give thanks to God for them. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Officiant May we dream of a world made new,

All Where together we shout for justice,

And as one we fight against oppression.

Officiant May we dream of a world made new,
All Where together we seek God's righteousness
And as one we sing God's praise.

Officiant May we dream of a world made new,
All Where together we climb God's mountain,
And as one we enter the promised land.

Officiant May we dream of a world made new,
All Where together we proclaim the good news of God's kingdom,
And as one we enjoy its peace, and abundance and love.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PLEASE BE SEATED.

Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5, Inclusive Bible

A reading from the Elder Testament and the book of the Prophet Isaiah. This is what Isaiah ben-Amos saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In the last days, the mountain of God's Temple will be established as the most important mountain and raised above all other hills—all nations will stream toward it. Many people will come and say: "Come, let us climb God's mountain to the Temple of the God of Jacob, that we may be instructed in God's ways and walk in God's paths."

Instruction will be given from Zion and the word of God from Jerusalem. God will judge between nations and render decisions for many countries. They will beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation will not raise the sword against another, and never again will they train for war.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit

All Thanks be to God

Prayer The following is a prayer written by Walter Breuggemann on the occasion of the bombing of Serbia in March of 1999.

It was inspired by the passage we just heard.

Let us pray,

And now their plowshares are beat into swords—as are ours,
now their pruning hooks are beat into spears—as are ours.

Not only swords and spears, but bullets, and bombs, and missiles,

of steel on flesh, of power against bodies ...
And you, in your indignation sound your mantra,
"Blessed are the peacemakers."

We dare to believe they are the aggressor, and we are the peacemaker.
Yet in sober night dream, we glance otherwise and think we may be
aggressor, as we vision rubble homes, murdered civilians, and charred
babies. And you, in our sadness, sound your mantra,
"Blessed are the peacemakers."

We do not love war, we yearn for peace, but we have lost much will for
peace even while we dream of order.
And you, in your hope, sound your mantra,
"Blessed are the peacemakers."

Deliver us from excessive certitude about ourselves.
Hold us in the deep ambiguity where we find ourselves,
Show us yet again the gaping space between your will and our feeble
imagination. Sound your mantra with more authority, with more
indignation, through sadness, in hope ...
"Blessed be the peacemakers."

Only peacemakers are blessed. We find ourselves well short of blessed.
Give us freedom for your deep otherwise, finally to be blessed,
in the name of the Peacemaker who gave and did not take.

All Amen

Psalm 46

Inclusive Bible

Psalm 46 – is a communal hymn confessing confidence and trust in God
as a sure refuge in times of trouble. Fear has no hold on those who
heed. The instruction, *Be still, and know that I am God*. I invite you to
read the psalm with me.

God is our refuge and our strength,
Who from old has helped us in our distress.
Therefore, we fear nothing—even if the earth should open up in front
of us and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea,
even if earth's waters rage and foam
and the mountains tumble with its heaving.

There is a river whose streams gladden the city of God,

the holt dwelling of the Most High.

God is in its midst, it will never fall—God will help it at daybreak.
Though nations are in turmoil and empires crumble,
God’s voice resounds, and it melts the earth.

The God of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come, see what God has done—God makes the earth bounteous!
God has put an end to war, from one end of the earth to the other,
Breaking bows, splintering spears, and setting chariots on fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God!
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted upon the earth.”

The God of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Reading

Colossians 3:12-17, Inclusive Bible

A reading from the younger Testament and the record of the Colossians. Because you are God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt compassion, with kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive whatever grievances you have against one another—forgive in the same way God has forgiven you. Above all else, put on love, which binds the rest together and makes them perfect. Let Christ’s peace reign in your hearts since, as members of one body, you have been called to that peace. Dedicate yourselves to thankfulness. Let the Word of Christ, rich as it is, dwell in you. Instruct and admonish one another wisely. Sing gratefully to God from your hearts in psalms, hymns and songs of the Spirit. And whatever you do, whether in speech or in action, do it in the name of Jesus our Saviour, giving thanks to God through Christ.

Reader

Listen for the leading of the Spirit

All

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23, Inclusive Bible

PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT.

Gospeller

May God be with you.

All

And also with you

Gospeller

The Gospel of Jesus the Christ according to John.

All **Glory be to you, Jesus the Christ.**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were locked in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Temple authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Having said this, the Saviour showed them the marks of crucifixion. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw Jesus, who said to them again, "Peace be with you. As God has sent me, so I am sending you." After this Jesus breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you retain anyone's sins, they are retained."

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ

All **Praise to you, Jesus the Christ**

SERMON Cormac Culkeen

Silence is kept for reflection.

HYMN LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH

PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth the peace that was meant to be.
With God as our Maker, family all are we;
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT.

Officiant Hear, O Israel,

All **God, our God, is One! We are to love God, our God with all our heart, and with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength. This is the first and the great commandment.**

The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant Loving God,

All from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle we pray in the hearts of all people the true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations o the earth; that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward, 'til the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus the Christ our Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Officiant Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Gracious God,

All Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sin, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus the Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.
Amen.

Silence is held for personal confession.

Officiant God, who is rich in mercy, loved us and made us alive together with Christ. By grace we have been redeemed. In the name of Jesus the Christ, our sin has been forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.

All Amen.

GENERAL PRAYERS

PLEASE TAKE A POSITION OF PRAYER THAT SUITS YOU.

Officiant Bless the homes in which your people live, O God, and strengthen the bonds of love between married partners, parent and child, sisters, brothers, siblings, and chosen family. Make our homes places of refuge and sources of strength where we support and encourage each other. When conflict and tension arise help us to work out our differences in honest dialogue, trusting that you will give us grace to forgive and strength to love in even the most difficult times.

All Amen.

Officiant Outcast God, born into poverty in an occupied land, driven from your land as your family fled violence, living alongside the marginalized and the oppressed. dying between criminals to the jeers of the crowd,
Open our eyes,

All that we who seek to follow you may recognize your face
in the faces of those who are enslaved.

Officiant Open our ears,

All that we who seek to hear your word may recognize your love
in the stories which are often drowned out.

Officiant Open our hearts,

All that we who seek your way of life may be bold in witnessing
to your longing for justice and peace. Amen

HYMN 576 FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS

PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT.

For the healing of the nations, God, we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us, Father, into freedom; from despair your world release,
That, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned:
Pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
For our growing in your likeness, bring the life of Christ to mind;
That by our response and service earth its destiny may find.

A LITANY OF PEACE AND HEALING

Officiant Justice and kindness are for healing the hurts in ourselves,
our relationships, and in the world.

Justice and kindness make for peace and healing.

All Dear God, let it begin with me.

Officiant Many people around us and in this world suffer deprivation and persecution. Creator God, help us prevent suffering where we can and in ways that show your love for all creation.
Help us to care for those who suffer.
Justice and kindness make for peace and healing.

All Dear God, let it begin with me.

Officiant Many people around us and in this world experience hurt, grief, brokenness, and sorrow. Loving God, help us to recognize when we are part of what brings pain, grief, and brokenness to others.
Help us to act in healthy and loving ways with our friends and neighbors, with strangers and enemies. Help us to love others as ourselves.
Help us to love ourselves as you love us.
Justice and kindness make for peace and healing.

All Dear God, let it begin with me.

Officiant Many people around us and in this world are silent victims and unable to bring about healing for themselves and their loved ones.
Sustaining God, help us to speak the truth with love and humility.
Help us to advocate for justice for those unable to speak for themselves.
Guide us as we seek ways to bring healing for others in a world filled with sickness and destruction. Sustain us with your love and bless us with hope for times when we feel the job is too big and the work is never done. Justice and kindness make for peace and healing.

All Dear God, let it begin with me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Passionate God, we are ever grateful for your love for us, for your patience and trust. This day we are thankful for the joys of community. We see signs of love everywhere—from handshakes and hugs to conversations and praying for one another. We pray for our community, that you continue to be with us in our happiness and weariness, celebrations and struggles.

**All O God, hear our prayer,
and in your love answer.**

Deacon Merciful God, we pray for our world that faces so much violence. We pray especially for the people suffering war conditions and the threat of war. May leaders at every level learn to speak in favour of humanity

and justice. We pray that all people can walk the path of peace, the path of forgiveness, the path of equality.

O God, hear our prayer,

All and in your love answer.

Deacon Embracing God, we pray for those who suffer in our community and throughout the world. We remember friends [all those] who face daily persecution and discrimination. Enfold them in your loving arms. Teach us the power of love and forgiveness, that our words may be ones of healing.

O God, hear our prayer,

All and in your love answer.

Deacon Almighty God, we offer prayers for those voices that have been silenced. We ask for your spirit of reconciliation to be near. We pray that there may be an end to bullying in schools, harassment in homes and workplaces, discriminatory laws and practices. May we learn the call to be bearers of peace and spread this vision through love and solidarity.

O God, hear our prayer,

All and in your love answer.

Deacon In silence now, we offer concerns and prayers of our hearts, knowing you are always there to listen even when we may not have the words....

O God, hear our prayer,

All and in your love answer.

LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

THE PEACE

Officiant May the peace of Jesus the Christ be with you all.

All And also with you.

ANTHEM

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

HOWARD GOODALL

CHOIR

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want;
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures
He leadeth me beside the still waters
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, For you are with me, you will comfort me
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life
I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Officiant

Almighty God,

All

once again you have given us what we need: sacrament, one another,
hope for a better day. With renewed energy we offer ourselves to be
sent out in your name; hopeful, grateful, useful, leaders of liberation,
proclaimers of your love. Amen.

Officiant

Glory to God,

All

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, forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

Officiant

We envision a world in Beloved Community, liberated from oppression,
violence, and war. Gracious God give us the humility and courage to co-
create with your vision. As we journey may the blessing of God, the
Source of All Being, the Incarnate Word, and the Holy and Life Giving
Spirit be upon you now and forever.

All

Amen.

HYMN 573

O DAY OF PEACE

PLEASE STAND IN BODY OR SPIRIT.

O day of peace that dimly shines
Through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
Guide us to justice truth, and love,
Delivered from our selfish schemes.
May swords of hate fall from our hands,
Our hearts from envy find release,
Till by God's grace our warring world
Shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.

Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb,
Not shall the fierce devour the small;
As beasts and cattle calmy graze,
A little child shall lead them all.
Then enemies shall learn to love,
All creatures find their true accord;
The hope of peace shall be fulfilled,
For all the earth shall know the Lord.

Officiant Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
serve the world God loves!

All Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE