

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2024 Choral Evensong at 4:30pm

The Cathedral Church of St. James

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Welcome to St. James Cathedral

This sacred land is the territory of several Indigenous Nations - the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishnaabe, and the Métis peoples, with special recognition to the Mississaugas of New Credit. We also acknowledge that we are on the shores of Niigaani-gichigami/Lake Ontario. This territory is governed by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Treaty, an agreement between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Anishnaabe Confederacy to peaceably share and sustain the life of the Great Lakes. In the spirit of that Treaty we seek to place at the centre of our gatherings the values of respectful reciprocity, diversity, peace, responsibility, and mutual aid.

Liturgical Note:

In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

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Questions? Speak to a sidesperson – the people wearing gold name tags.

Children & Families

Summer Sunday School meets every week at the 10:00am service. Please email Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

Accessibility

A Wheelchair Accessible Washroom is located at the front of the Cathedral through the doors by the pulpit. Assisted hearing devices are available from the sidespersons.

Coffee Hour

Join us in Snell Hall following the 10:00am service.

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Today at St. James

Officiant: The Reverend Matthew Waterman

Homilist: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields

First Reader: Robert Coates • Second Reader: Mary Rowe

Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell • Associate Organist: Nathan Jeffery

Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Jacob Wiens Sung by the Choir of St. James Cathedral

The flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God.

Welcome! We are so glad you have joined us for worship this afternoon.

Please ensure that cell phones are muted.

Choral Evensong

Prelude Improvisation III in A major Camille Saint-Saëns

Welcome

Introit

Please remain seated.

O come, ye servants of the Lord Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord,

and praise His holy name

From early morn to setting sun, His might on earth proclaim.

His laws are just, and glad the heart:

He makes His mercies known. Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before His throne.

Please stand, as you are able, when the organ plays.

Preces and Responses

Humphrey Clucas

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips;

Choir And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us; Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Officiant Praise ye the Lord;

Choir The Lord's Name be praised.

Psalm 93

Chant by G. A. Macfarren

Choir The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel;

the Lord has put on his glory and girded himself with strength.

He has made the whole world so sure

that it cannot be moved.

Your throne has been established from of old;

you are from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their pounding waves.

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Mightier than the thunder of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, the Lord on high is mightier.

Your testimonies are very sure; holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever.

Psalm 94

Chant by R. Clark and R. Woodward

Choir

Lord God to whom vengeance belongs,

O God to whom vengeance belongs, shine out in majesty.

Rise up. O Judge of the earth:

Rise up, O Judge of the earth; give the arrogant their just deserts.

Lord, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?

How long shall the evildoers boast and pour out such impudent words?

They crush your people, O Lord, and afflict your heritage.

They murder the widow and the stranger; the orphans they put to death.

And yet they say, 'The Lord will not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.'

Consider, most stupid of people; you fools, when will you understand?

He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? He that formed the eye, shall he not see?

He who corrects the nations, shall he not punish? He who teaches the peoples, does he lack knowledge?

The Lord knows every human thought, that they are but a breath.

Blessed are those whom you chasten, O Lord, whom you instruct from your law;

That you may give them rest in days of adversity, until a pit is dug for the wicked.

For the Lord will not fail his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.

For justice shall return to the righteous, and all that are true of heart shall follow it.

Who will rise up for me against the wicked? Who will take my part against the evildoers? If the Lord had not helped me,

my soul would soon have been put to silence.

And when I said, 'My foot has slipped',

your loving mercy, O Lord, upheld me.

In the multitude of cares that troubled my heart, your comforts have refreshed my soul.

Will you have anything to do with the throne of wickedness, which fashions evil through its law?

They gather together against the life of the righteous and condemn the innocent to death.

But the Lord has become my stronghold and my God the rock of my trust.

He will turn against them their own wickedness and silence them through their own malice;

the Lord our God will put them to silence.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

First Lesson Please be seated.

2 Samuel 17:1-23

Reader

In this passage, though we see that David was protected from harm according to God's promised blessings, he has now come to be surrounded by evil, betrayal, and bloodshed – as God promised, these are the consequences of his murder of Uriah the Hittite.

Moreover, Ahithophel said to Absalom, 'Let me choose twelve thousand men, and I will set out and pursue David tonight. I will come upon him while he is weary and discouraged, and throw him into a panic; and all the people who are with him will flee. I will strike down only the king, and I will bring all the people back to you as a bride comes home to her husband. You seek the life of only one man, and all the people will be at peace.' The advice pleased Absalom and all the elders of Israel.

Then Absalom said, 'Call Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear too what he has to say.' When Hushai came to Absalom, Absalom said to him, 'This is what Ahithophel has said; shall we do as he advises? If not, you tell us.' Then Hushai said to Absalom, 'This time the counsel that Ahithophel has given is not good.' Hushai continued, 'You know that your father and his men are warriors, and that they are enraged, like a bear robbed of her cubs in the field. Besides, your father is expert in war; he will not spend the night with the troops. Even now he has hidden

himself in one of the pits, or in some other place. And when some of our troops fall at the first attack, whoever hears it will say, "There has been a slaughter among the troops who follow Absalom." Then even the valiant warrior, whose heart is like the heart of a lion, will utterly melt with fear; for all Israel knows that your father is a warrior, and that those who are with him are valiant warriors. But my counsel is that all Israel be gathered to you, from Dan to Beer-sheba, like the sand by the sea for multitude, and that you go to battle in person. So we shall come upon him in whatever place he may be found, and we shall light on him as the dew falls on the ground; and he will not survive, nor will any of those with him. If he withdraws into a city, then all Israel will bring ropes to that city, and we shall drag it into the valley, until not even a pebble is to be found there.' Absalom and all the men of Israel said, 'The counsel of Hushai the Archite is better than the counsel of Ahithophel.' For the Lord had ordained to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, so that the Lord might bring ruin on Absalom.

Then Hushai said to the priests Zadok and Abiathar, 'Thus and so did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and so I have counselled. Therefore send quickly and tell David, "Do not lodge tonight at the fords of the wilderness, but by all means cross over; otherwise the king and all the people who are with him will be swallowed up."' Jonathan and Ahimaaz were waiting at En-rogel; a servant-girl used to go and tell them, and they would go and tell King David; for they could not risk being seen entering the city. But a boy saw them, and told Absalom; so both of them went away quickly, and came to the house of a man at Bahurim, who had a well in his courtyard; and they went down into it. The man's wife took a covering, stretched it over the well's mouth, and spread out grain on it; and nothing was known of it. When Absalom's servants came to the woman at the house, they said, 'Where are Ahimaaz and Jonathan?' The woman said to them, 'They have crossed over the brook of water.' And when they had searched and could not find them, they returned to Jerusalem.

After they had gone, the men came up out of the well, and went and told King David. They said to David, 'Go and cross the water quickly; for thus and so has Ahithophel counselled against you.' So David and all the people who were with him set out and crossed the Jordan; by daybreak not one was left who had not crossed the Jordan.

When Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his donkey and went off home to his own city. He set his house in order, and hanged himself; he died and was buried in the tomb of his father.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Choir

Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able. Short Service by Richard Farrant

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord,

and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat,

and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things;

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel;

As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Second Lesson Please be seated. Mark 5:25-34

Reader

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole

truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in

peace, and be healed of your disease.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able.

Nunc Dimittis

Short Service by Richard Farrant

Choir

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,

according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Apostles' Creed

Officiant

I believe in God

All

the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Choir And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Please kneel, as you are able.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant Our Father

Choir 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 them that trespass against us; and

lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

Choir And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant O Lord, save the King;

Choir And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant O Lord, save thy people; Choir And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou O Lord.

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us; Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

Officiant Living God, you are the giver of wisdom, guiding those who seek your

ways to choose the good. Mercifully grant that your people, who feast on

the true bread of heaven, may have eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Choir Amen.

Officiant O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works

do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time

in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Choir Amen.

Officiant Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy

defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only

Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Choir Amen.

Please be seated.

Anthem If I take the wings of the morning

Julian Dams

Choir

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

Homily

An offering will now be taken to support the life and ministry of the Cathedral.

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Please stand, as you are able.

Tune: Old yeavering

Hymn at the Collection

Like a mighty river flowing, like a flower in beauty growing, far beyond all human knowing is the perfect peace of God.

Like the hills serene and even, like the coursing clouds of heaven, like the heart that's been forgiven is the perfect peace of God.

Like the summer breezes playing, like the tall trees softly swaying, like the lips of silent praying is the perfect peace of God.

Like the morning sun ascended, like the scents of evening blended, like a friendship never ended is the perfect peace of God.

Like the azure ocean swelling, like the jewel all-excelling, far beyond our human telling is the perfect peace of God.

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Offertory Prayer

Vicar

Let us pray.

Loving God, we thank you for your goodness in our lives and for all you have given to us. May this money we give, and we who give it, be consecrated for your service and become channels of your mercy, grace, and love, made known to us in the life and work of our Teacher and Redeemer, Jesus Christ. In whose name we pray.

People

Amen.

Prayers

A Prayer of Saint John Chrysostom

Officiant

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

People Amen.

The Grace

Officiant

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.

People Amen.

Please stand, as you are able.

Edward Woodall Naylor

Final Response

Officiant The Lord be with you;Choir And with thy spirit.Officiant Let us bless the Lord.Choir Thanks be to God.

Postlude Improvisation VIII in a minor

Camille Saint-Saëns

PRAYER CYCLE

This week, please pray for: The Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Diocese of Brasilia – our companion Diocese and The Music Ministry

PASTORAL CARE

If you know anyone who would benefit from a call from our pastoral care team, please be in touch with our Sub-Dean & Vicar, The Rev'd Canon Dr. Stephen Fields: sfields@stjamescathedral.ca; 416-364-7865, ext. 235 or The Reverend Canon Beth Benson: bbenson@stjamescathedral.ca, 416-364-7865, ext. 237

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ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, August 18, 2024

Sunday Children's Program at the 10:00am service. Invite the little ones!

Coffee Hour after the 10:00am service.

Our Sunday summer service schedule runs until September 1 (Labour Day weekend):

8:00am: Said Eucharist; 10:00am: Choral Eucharist; 4:30pm: Choral Evensong.

Reminder: The Cathedral is a public space. Make sure you have all valuables in sight at all times.

9:00am service



The clergy team and our Director of Music recently met to talk about worship and liturgy at the Cathedral.

We made three decisions with regard to our 9:00am service which I wanted to share with you.

- When we move back to 9:00am and 11:00am services, we will not reintroduce the pita bread at 9:00am but will use wafers as we do at 11:00am.
- We will split the roles of reader and intercessor at 9:00am, so creating an additional opportunity for lay participation.
- We will set up a small working group to look more broadly at the 9:00am, and welcome suggestions as to who might serve on that group. Please email Serena at sli@stjamescathedral.ca to suggest people (and you may suggest yourself if you wish). Dean Stephen Hance

EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER: JOIN US!

September 8 at 9:00am and 11:00am: Blessing of the Backpacks at our morning services. Children and families welcome!

September 8 at 4:30pm: The Anniversary of the Accession of His Majesty The King will be commemorated at Choral Evensong.

September 15 at 11:00am: Wycliffe College Founders' Day service. We welcome back faculty and students from Wycliffe College.

Saturday, September 21 at 2:00pm: The Bishop's Committee on Creation Care celebrates the Season of Creation with a special service at the Cathedral. All are welcome!

September 22 after the 11:00am service: Baptism Preparation begins.

Saturday, September 28 at 10:00am: Refugee Walk-a-thon

September 8: Blessing of the Backpacks









Our Children, Youth, and Family Minister, Karyne Whalen, would like to invite all children and parents to join us on September 8 at either the 9:00am or 11:00am service for the back-to-school Blessing of the Backpacks! A backpack blessing is a moment set aside during our worship service to celebrate with our students in the community. It is so important to pray for our students during the upcoming school year. If there are any families in need of a backpack, please let Karyne know at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca

September 15 at 11:00am: Wycliffe College Founders' Day Service



We are pleased to welcome back faculty and students from Wycliffe College who will join us for the annual Founders' Day service.

The guest preacher will be The Reverend Dr. Peter Robinson, Professor of Proclamation, Worship and Ministry.

All are welcome!

Saturday, September 21 at 2:00pm: Season of Creation 2024



The Bishop's Committee on Creation Care is planning a public diocesan celebration of the Season of Creation with a Eucharist at St. James Cathedral. This service is intended to bring together parishes from across the Diocese. Accompanied by vibrant contemporary music and youth participation, the liturgy will express the ecumenical theme for Season of Creation 2024, "To Hope and Act with Creation."

September 22: Baptism Preparation begins



The next date for the Celebration of Baptism is All Saints' **Sunday** on November 3 at the 11:00am service.

Preparation classes for adult candidates as well as parents and sponsors of children include one in-person meeting, two online meetings, and a rehearsal. The first in-person session is scheduled for **September 22 after the 11:00am service in the Library.**

If you would like to register or if you are interested and would like more information, please contact Deacon Matthew Waterman at mwaterman@stjamescathedral.ca

Saturday, September 28: Refugee Walk-a-thon 2024 Walking for Refugees - Mark your calendars!



The St. James and Community Refugee Committee will be Walking for Refugees on **Saturday, September 28, 2024** beginning at 10:00am in Edwards Gardens. The committee hopes to raise \$35,000 to fund the resettlement of refugees to Toronto.

Join us as we walk through the gardens or support us by donating through the link below: stjamescathedral.ca/refugee-walkathon-2024/

OTHER NEWS



St. Bartholomew's, Regent Park news

Devotional Societies at St. Bart's Regent Park:

Learn more: stbartstoronto.ca/devotional-societies

Outreach at St. Bart's, Regent Park: Serving the disadvantaged for 150 years, St. Bart's welcomes volunteers and donations.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES: YOU ARE INVITED

Morning Prayer – online only at 8:30am

Holy Eucharist at 12:15pm

Monday to Saturday via the Cathedral YouTube channel Monday to Saturday in St. George's Chapel.

The Dean will be away until August 23.

Visit us: The Cathedral is open Monday-Saturday from 10:00am–3:00pm.

The Cathedral Centre offices are open Monday-Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm.

Wednesday: Scripture Circle is on summer break in August. We will resume on Sept 11. **Friday:** Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm: We welcome our guests for a nutritious meal.



Next Sunday, August 25:

We welcome our Primate, **The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls**, who will preside and preach at the 10:00am service.

Join us for cake at Coffee Hour after the service when we thank Archbishop Linda for her service and wish her the best in her upcoming retirement.

Sunday: Sunday School at the 10:00am service & Coffee Hour after the 10:00am service.

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Sunday Services – August 25, 2024

8:00am: Said Eucharist

10:00am: Choral Eucharist (also on the Cathedral channel

at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto).

4:30pm: Choral Evensong (also on the Cathedral YouTube

channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto).

Readings for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

1 Kgs 8:22-30, 41-43

Ps 84

Eph 6:10-20

Jn 6:56-69

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