

# The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

# July 6, 2025 Choral Evensong at 4:30pm

The Cathedral Church of St. James Diocese of Toronto • Anglican Church of Canada

# 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. For more information, visit our website by clicking the QR code on the right.



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

#### Children & Families

Sunday School meets every week at the 10:30am service. Please email Karyne Whalen at <u>kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca</u> 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

Please join us at Snell Hall following the 10:30am service.

#### **Parking**

There are a range of affordable parking lots available around the Cathedral. Please see the leaflets at the back of the Cathedral or online at <u>stjamescathedral.ca/contact</u> for more information.

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# Today at St. James

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields Homilist: The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess First Reader: Robert Coates • Second Reader: Shawn Thorpe Director of Music & Organist: Thomas Bell Associate Organist: Jean-Paul Feo Wayne Vance Organ Scholar: Joshua Duncan Lee Sung by The Choir of St. James Cathedral

The flowers in the Cathedral are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

Nancy Pearce and Edwin Solomon

Charles Edward Cizek

Welcome! We are glad you have joined us for worship. Please ensure that cell phones are muted.

## **Choral Evensong**

Our practice at Evensong is to stand for the choir processions, the canticles, and the hymn; to sit for the Bible readings and the homily; and to kneel or sit for prayer. You are invited to assume postures that support your comfortable and prayerful engagement in this service.

#### Welcome

Introit Deo Gracias

#### Please stand when the organ plays.

#### **Preces and Responses**

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 78:1-17			
Choir	<ul> <li>Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.</li> <li>I will open my mouth in a parable; I will pour forth mysteries from of old,</li> <li>Such as we have heard and known, which our forebears have told us.</li> <li>We will not hide from their children,</li> <li>but will recount to generations to come, the praises of the Lord and his power and the wonderful works he has done.</li> <li>He laid a solemn charge on Jacob and made it a law in Israel, which he commanded them to teach their children,</li> <li>That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn, that they in turn might tell it to their children;</li> <li>So that they might put their trust in God</li> </ul>		
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William Smith

and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments, And not be like their forebears, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, and whose spirit was not faithful to God. The people of Ephraim, armed with the bow, turned back in the day of battle; They did not keep the covenant of God and refused to walk in his law; They forgot what he had done and the wonders he had shown them. For he did marvellous things in the sight of their forebears, in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan. He divided the sea and let them pass through; he made the waters stand still in a heap. He led them with a cloud by day and all the night through with a blaze of fire. He split the hard rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink as from the great deep. He brought streams out of the rock and made water gush out like rivers. Yet for all this they sinned more against him and defied the Most High in the wilderness.

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**

#### Numbers 27:12-23

Reader The Lord said to Moses, 'Go up this mountain of the Abarim range, and see the land that I have given to the Israelites. When you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, because you rebelled against my word in the wilderness of Zin when the congregation quarrelled with me. You did not show my holiness before their eyes at the waters.' (These are the waters of Meribath-kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.) Moses spoke to the Lord, saying, 'Let the Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint someone over the congregation who shall go out before them and come in before them, who shall lead them out and bring them in, so that the congregation of the Lord may not be like sheep without a shepherd.' So the Lord said to Moses, 'Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and lay your hand upon him; have him stand before Eleazar the priest and all the congregation, and commission him in their sight. You shall give him some of your authority, so that all the congregation of the Israelites may obey. But he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire for him by the decision of the Urim before the Lord; at his word they shall go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he and all the Israelites with him, the whole congregation.' So Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole congregation; he laid his hands on him and commissioned him—as the Lord had directed through Moses.

*Reader* Here ends the lesson.

#### Magnificat

Collegium Regale by Herbert Howells

Choir 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

#### Matthew 22:1-14

*Reader* Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my

oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

*Reader* Here ends the lesson.

## **Nunc Dimittis**

Collegium Regale by Herbert Howells

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

# The Collects

*Officiant* Healing God, like your prophet Elisha and the seventy disciples, make us agents of your transforming power and heralds of your reign of justice and peace, so that all may know the wholeness you bring through 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. 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.

#### Anthem Cantique de Jean Racine

Word, equal to the Highest,

Gabriel Fauré

Choir

Choir

Our only Hope, Eternal day of the earth and heavens, We break the silence of the peaceful night; Divine Savior, cost your eyes upon us! Spread over us the fire of your powerful grace, That all hell may flee at the sound of your voice; Dispel the slumber of a languishing soul, That drives us to forget your laws. O Christ, show favor to this faithful people now assembled in order to bless you now. Accept the songs they offer to your immortal glory; And may they go forth filled with your gifts.

# Homily

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

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## Hymn at the Collection

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, For the love which from our birth over and around us lies, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

Tune: England's Lane

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For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven, *Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.* 

Text: Folliott Sandford Pierpoint, alt. Music: Melody English trad.

## **Offertory Prayer**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Holy Spirit of God, you breathe life into your Church and set our hearts on fire with love; Consecrate us for your service, make us channels of your mercy, bless these gifts we offer, and use them to spread your peace, your justice, and your joy. In Christ 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.

#### 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

#### PRAYER CYCLE

This week, please pray for: The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); Toronto East Deanery and the children and families of the Cathedral

#### **PASTORAL CARE**

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# ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, July 6, 2025

Sunday School: At the 10:30am service. Coffee Hour: After the 10:30am service. Summer Services: From today to September 1, services at 8:00am, 10:30am, and 4:30pm.

# Today: Education for Ministry at Coffee Hour after the 10:30am service



Exploring your faith matters to your life and our world. Drop by the EfM information table at coffee hour today after the 10:30am service.

EfM: A program of Christian community, study, and discernment for all adult baptized Christians hosted by St. James Cathedral. All are welcome!

## Sunday, July 20: Patronal Festival Service & BBQ



Celebrate with us the Feast Day of our Patron Saint, St. James! Immediately after the 10:30am Patronal Festival service, we will gather on the Cathedral's West Lawn for food and fellowship. Join us! **We are also looking for volunteers** to help prepare, serve food, or help with clean-up. If you are interested, please contact us: info@stjamescathedral.ca or call (416)364-7865

# Sunday, July 27: Emancipation Day at St. James



The Cathedral community will celebrate Emancipation Day.

The Slavery Abolition Act of 1833 ended slavery throughout most of the British Empire.

As a result, the image of Canada as a safe haven for those enslaved in the United States was born. On the first anniversary of the Act in 1834, members of the African-Canadian population of Toronto paraded to the Cathedral for a special commemorative service. This tradition continued for some 20 years. On March 24, 2021, the House of Commons voted unanimously to designate August 1 as Emancipation Day across the country. Emancipation Day celebrates the strength and perseverance of Black communities in Canada.



## **Show Your Support**

St. James Cathedral is submitting a request to the City of Toronto for funding to assist with repairs to our clock.

Our proposal is currently up for public review on the Toronto Centre Projects website.

Please visit <u>torontocentreprojects.ca/en/projects/2025-pb-</u> <u>cluster-5</u> and search for *"St. James Cathedral."* There you will be able to read about the project and sign up to comment, indicating your support for this initiative. Thank you!

#### Message from the Dean



Dear friends: At St. James Cathedral, values of inclusion, welcome, and the celebration of diversity are very close to our hearts. The flags which we have displayed in the sanctuary throughout this ministry year are intended to communicate this message, that every person is welcome in the family of God. While those values remain the same, I have decided that the flags will come down at the end of June. They were never intended to hang forever. And almost inevitably, with the global situation as it is, the meaning of those flags has been interpreted politically.

The display of a national flag never indicated approval of the government of that country, but it is understandable that the presence of some flags has become distressing for some valued members of our community. And so it is time for them to go.

We will continue to look for creative ways to express those values of welcome and inclusion of all people which are so important to us as we seek to become a cathedral fit for the city of Toronto.

Dean Stephen

Summer Sunday Afternoons at St. James. Join us! CHORALEVERSONG EVERY SUNDAY AT 4:30PM! Enjoy a service of beautiful choral music and prayer. A great way to spend an hour on a Sunday afternoon!

You are invited to join us in person & online for Choral Evensong. To view each Sunday's Evensong leaflet, visit our website: <u>stjamescathedral.ca/worship/</u>Invite your friends!

# August 25-28: Children's Community Choir Day Camp

Mark your calendars! We are excited to offer a Choir Day Camp for children aged 6–12. Camp activities include music games, art, drama, guest musicians, and outdoor time from 9:00am to 3:00pm. The week will conclude with a final recital for family and friends on Thursday, August 28 at 3:00pm.

Free registration: <a href="http://www.stjamescathedral.ca/choircamp">www.stjamescathedral.ca/choircamp</a>

For more information please contact: Cara Halpin, Children's Community Choir Director at <a href="mailto:chalpin@stjamescathedral.ca">chalpin@stjamescathedral.ca</a>



## THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

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 is preaching at Christ Church Cathedral in Montreal today.

**Visit us:** The Cathedral is open from Monday to Friday from 10:00am–3:00pm. The Cathedral Centre offices are open from Monday to Friday from 9:00am–4:00pm.

**Online Morning Prayer:** Join our clergy and fellow members of the Cathedral from Monday to Friday for Morning Prayer in our **Zoom Chapel**. To access, please follow this link: <u>https://bit.ly/MPatSJC</u> or scan the QR code. For more information, visit: <u>stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer/</u>



Tuesday: Tuesday Organ Recitals will be back at 1:00pm on September 9, 2025. Wednesday: Scripture Circle gathers in the Cathedral Centre at 11:00am. Friday: Drop-In from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. We welcome our guests for a nutritious meal. Sunday: Sunday School: At the 10:30am service. Coffee Hour: After the 10:30am service.

# Sunday Services – July 13, 2025

8:00am: Said EucharistReading10:30am: Choral Eucharist (live-streamed on the Diocesan channel<br/>youtube.com/@anglicandioto, and the Cathedral channel).5th Sun<br/>Amos 24:30pm: Choral Evensong (live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube<br/>channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto).Psalm 2

Readings for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82 Colossians 1:1-14 Luke 10:25-37

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