



The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 7, 2025 at 9:00am

***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.*



Questions? Our greeters wearing name tags are here to help.

Children & Families

Children of all ages are invited to participate in and help lead our service. Our volunteers are here to tell you how you can help today or in the future.

For more information about our Children and families ministry, contact our Children, Youth, and Family Minister Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

For our youngest worshipers, a soft space for wiggling and crawling is offered at the front near the altar. If you need a changing table or quiet space to sit with your child, our St. George's Chapel is available just outside the rear doors of the sanctuary.

Accessibility

An all-gender accessible washroom is located at the front of the sanctuary through the doors to the left. Assisted hearing devices are available from the greeters wearing name tags.

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Please check that devices are silenced and keep your belongings with you at all times.

We're glad you're here! At this service, people of all ages and abilities pray, sing, learn, lead, and grow in faith TOGETHER.

We know that all our brains and bodies are different, and we hope you will feel comfortable participating in the ways that are best for you.

Today, our presider will be The Reverend Canon Kristen Pitts, and our homilist will be The Very Reverend Dr. Stephen Hance.

While our bulletin includes suggested postures for different parts of the service, these are traditional ways that Christians have participated in the liturgy with their bodies and are not required. Please use postures that support your own prayerful engagement in the service.

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

Nicole Cardillo

June Yearwood

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

All are invited to walk in the procession if they wish! Please gather in the entrance of the Cathedral (Narthex) during the first verse to join in.

Opening Song

Tune: Monkland

All Welcome, welcome to this place,
young and old from every race,
rich and poor, both great and small:
God extends his love to all.

Come and meet with Jesus here,
love stands close, and hope is near.
We believe that Jesus Christ
lives for every single life.

"Welcome children in my name",
and the Lord is blessed the same.
Trust with childlike heart and mind,
know that God is good and kind.

Ask - you surely will receive.
Seek - God calls you to believe.
Knock - the door will open wide.
God invites you - come inside.

God extends his love to all,
rich and poor, both great and small:
may we share God's love and grace;
welcome, welcome to this place!

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Welcome

Greeting

Please stand.

Presider This is the day that the Lord has made.
People **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Collect of Purity

Presider Please repeat each line after me.

Presider *Almighty God, to you all hearts are open,*

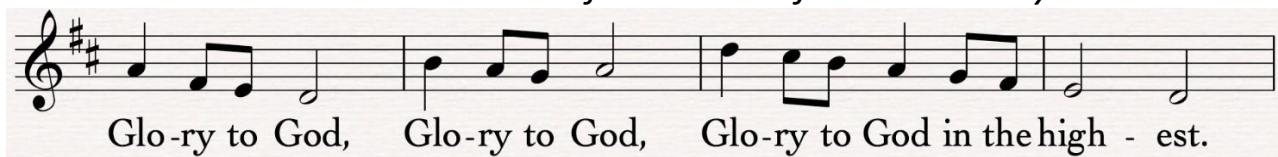
People *all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
Through Christ our Lord.*

All **Amen.**

Gloria

Refrain

"Gloria" from Mass of St. Thomas by David Thorne



Choir Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

All **♪ Refrain ♪**

Choir Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

All **♪ Refrain ♪**

Choir For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

All ♪ **Refrain** ♪

Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

Holy God, inspire your faithful people, that we may bear the fruit of good works
and be richly rewarded by you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

The First Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-11 (CEB)

Reader A reading from the Book of Jeremiah, chapter 18

Jeremiah received the Lord's word: Go down to the potter's house, and I'll give you instructions about what to do there. So I went down to the potter's house; he was working on the potter's wheel. But the piece he was making was flawed while still in his hands, so the potter started on another, as seemed best to him. Then the Lord's word came to me: House of Israel, can't I deal with you like this potter, declares the Lord? Like clay in the potter's hand, so are you in mine, house of Israel! At any time I may announce that I will dig up, pull down, and destroy a nation or kingdom; but if that nation I warned turns from its evil, then I'll relent and not carry out the harm I intended for it. At the same time, I may announce that I will build and plant a nation or kingdom; but if that nation displeases and disobeys me, then I'll relent and not carry out the good I intended for it. Now say to the people of Judah and those living in Jerusalem: This is what the Lord says: I am a potter preparing a disaster for you; I'm working out a plan against you. So each one of you, turn from your evil ways; reform your ways and your actions.

Reader The word of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

From God's Word, My Voice

Reader Lord, you know me better than anyone, even myself.
You know what I'm doing, You even know what I'm thinking.

When I move around or when I lay down
when I walk or sit still, you always know where I am.
There's nothing I say that you haven't already figured I'm going to say.

People **God, you know me inside and out.**

Reader You are in front of me to guide me, behind me to protect me,
And I feel your hand on my shoulder so I know I'm not alone.
That's almost too good to be true.

People **God, you know me inside and out.**

Reader You yourself created all my parts. You pieced me together in my mother's
womb.
You did an excellent job making me, and I thank you for that.
You are amazing. That's for sure.

People **God, you know me inside and out.**

You've known me forever.
Your eyes could see my arms and legs, even before they were fully formed.
Day by day I grew bigger until I was finally with all my parts, ready to be born.

People **God, you know me inside and out.**

I'm amazed by your deep thoughts, O God;
the number of them astounds me.
I couldn't possibly count them all,
because there are more of them than grains of sand on the shore.
If I were to count them it would take forever, and by then I'd be as old as you.

People **God, you know me inside and out.**

Please stand.

Gospel Music **"Zimbabwe Halleluia"**

Abraham Maraire

All ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! ♪

The Gospel

Luke 14:25-33 (CEB)

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader This is the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ as told by Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader Large crowds were traveling with Jesus. Turning to them, he said, "Whoever
comes to me and doesn't hate father and mother, spouse and children, and

brothers and sisters—yes, even one’s own life—cannot be my disciple. Whoever doesn’t carry their own cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

“If one of you wanted to build a tower, wouldn’t you first sit down and calculate the cost, to determine whether you have enough money to complete it? Otherwise, when you have laid the foundation but couldn’t finish the tower, all who see it will begin to belittle you. They will say, ‘Here’s the person who began construction and couldn’t complete it!’ Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down to consider whether his ten thousand soldiers could go up against the twenty thousand coming against him? And if he didn’t think he could win, he would send a representative to discuss terms of peace while his enemy was still a long way off. In the same way, none of you who are unwilling to give up all of your possessions can be my disciple.

Reader The Good News of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

The Apostles’ Creed

Please stand.

Presider Together we declare our faith. After each question, please respond with “This we believe.”

People Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?
This we believe.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; who descended to the dead, and on the third day rose again; who ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and who will come again to judge the living and the dead?

People **This we believe.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

People **This we believe. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Please adopt a posture of prayer.

Leader In peace let us pray together, saying “God of love, hear our prayer.”
God of love,

People **Hear our prayer.**

At the conclusion of the prayers.

Leader We give you thanks, O God, for all your saints throughout the ages, and especially for Saint James our patron.

Intercessor Out on the sea, Saint James immediately followed Christ when he called. Make us ready to follow Christ without hesitation, too.

God of love,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor High up a mountain, Saint James witnessed the transfiguration of Christ. Make us ready to see your holiness in unexpected places, too.

God of love,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Along the road to Jerusalem, Saint James learned from Christ that true greatness is found in serving others. Make us ready to love others through humble service, too.

God of love,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Presider Holy God, you have heard our prayers. Now give us grace to work for those things we have asked of you, and answer our prayers in the way that you know is best for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Confession

Presider Dear friends in Christ, God’s love and mercy are limitless. Let us confess our sins, Confident in God’s forgiveness.

Please repeat each line after me.

Presider *Loving God, we know that we have done wrong.*

People *We have not loved you with our whole heart.*

*We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry.
Have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may walk in love always.*

All **Amen.**

Presider Truly God's love and mercy are limitless. Know that you are forgiven, and Christ will help you to follow his ways. Amen.

Blessing of the Backpacks

Presider Today, we have before us backpacks to be carried to and from school by the students and educators gathered here.

These backpacks will contain work to be done, work that's been returned, books to be studied, tools to complete homework, and nourishing food for hungry bellies. Notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, glue sticks, and other items used for schoolwork will find their way in and out of these backpacks.

To those offering their backpacks for blessing

Some days, so much stuff will fill these backpacks that you may find it difficult to walk. On other days, they will be light and nearly empty. Every day, they represent the work required to be done by you. As we do in every aspect of our lives, we bring them before God for blessing.

As we stand in God's presence, let us pray:

Gracious God, we lift to you today, these students as they stand here ready to receive your blessings and they commit themselves to study and learning in the school year ahead. We ask your blessing on each of them, sustain them with your Holy Spirit, give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

We pray also for teachers and all who will share in shaping the school days this year, that they will be blessed with wisdom, patience, and perseverance, as we, your people, commit ourselves to keep them on our hearts and in our prayers.

Bless these backpacks that will hold schoolwork and be carried from home to school and back again. May each person who carries them be reminded of the love and care of this community that surrounds them each school day.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus, our great teacher and shepherd. Amen.

The Peace

Peace The peace of Christ be always with you!

Proclaimer

People **And also with you.**

We offer each other a sign of peace.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory

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

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Offertory Hymn

Tune: Christ Be Our Light

All Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us.

Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. *Refrain*

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, so that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

People **♪ Glory to you for ever and ever. ♪**

Presider You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People **♪ Glory to you for ever and ever. ♪**

Presider On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

People **♪ Glory to you for ever and ever. ♪**

Presider Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

People **♪ Glory to you for ever and ever. ♪**

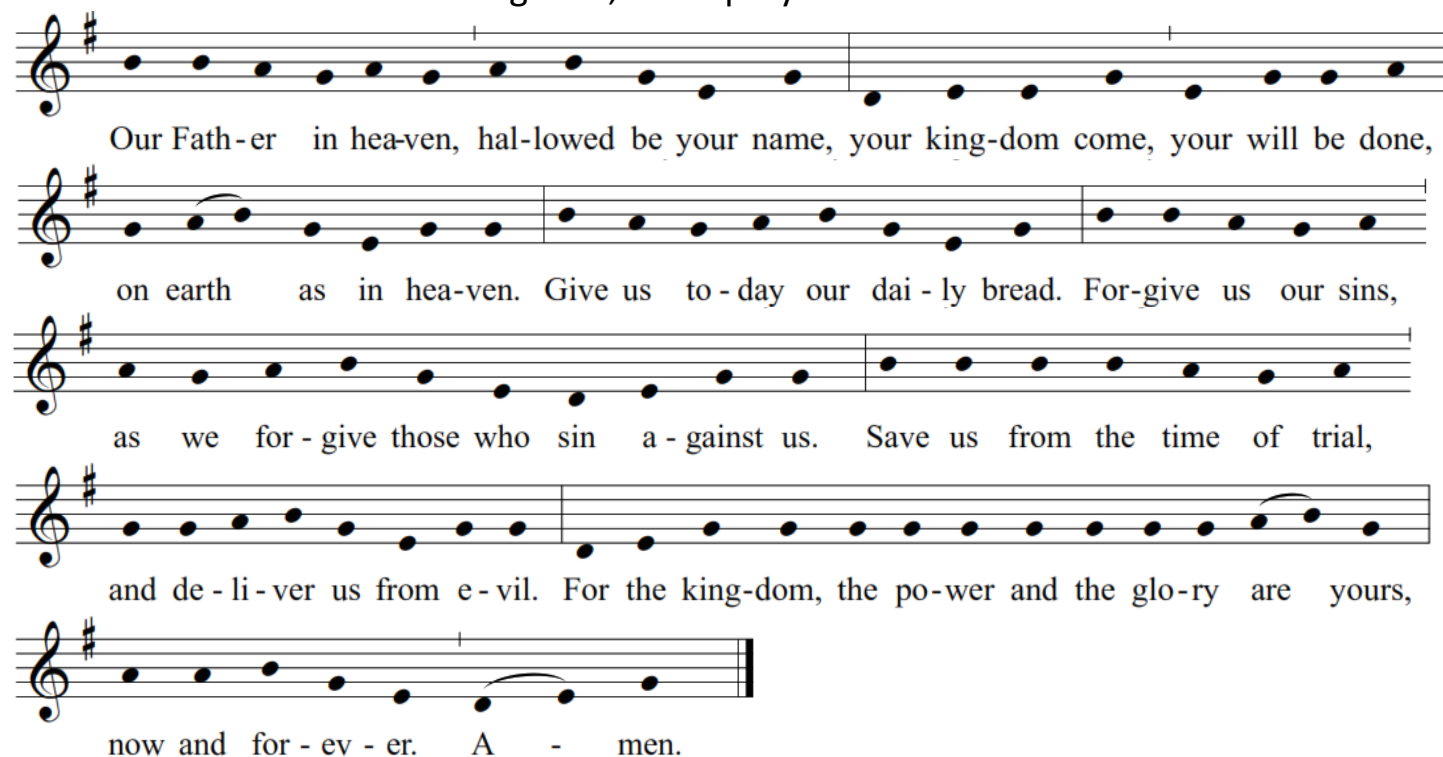
Presider Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People **♪ Glory to you for ever and ever. ♪**

The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.



Our Fath-er in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins,
as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,
and de-li-ver us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the po-wer and the glo-ry are yours,
now and for-ev-er. A-men.

Silence

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

You are invited to receive communion or a blessing. To receive communion, hold your hands out as you approach the server. To receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest. If you require a gluten-free wafer, let the priest know. You may either sip from the chalice of wine or pause in prayer in front of it; dipping the wafer in the wine is not permitted for health reasons.

Communion Hymn

All This is the body of Christ, broken that we may be whole;
This cup, as promised by God, true to his word, cradles our Lord:
Food for the good of the soul.

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Communion Hymn

Tune: Land of Rest

All I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

The spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known, alive among us here.

Together met, together bound, by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one.

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Tune: Land of Rest
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Prayer after Communion

Please stand.

Presider Let us pray.
Loving God, we thank you for feeding us here with the Bread of Life and the Cup
of Salvation. May we who share this sacrament be witnesses to the risen life of
Christ and the salvation you offer to the world.

People Amen.

The Blessing

Presider The blessing of God, who made us, who loves us, and who journeys with us,
be among you this day and always. Amen.

Announcements

Closing Song

Tune: Mayenziwe (South Africa)

All Your will be done on earth, O Lord
Your will be done on earth, O Lord
Your will be done on earth, O Lord
Your will be done on earth, O Lord
Your will be done on earth, O Lord

Dismissal

Sender Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PRAYER CYCLE

*This week, please pray for:
The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; School Chaplains and the Cathedral Council*

PASTORAL CARE

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ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - CONNECTIONS - Sunday, September 7, 2025

Regular services at 8:00am, 9:00am (*Worship Together*), 11:00am & 4:30pm.

Children & Families: Sunday school at 11:00am. Coffee Hour after 9:00am & 11:00am.

Today: Blessing of the Backpacks (9:00am/11:00am) & Anniversary of Accession (4:30pm).

Today at 12:30pm: Vestry Nominations Information Session in the Lecture Room.

9:00am Service *Worship Together*, Join Us!



Our 9:00am service *Worship Together* has been refreshed to more fully accommodate worshipers of all ages and abilities and to support congregational leadership in the service. In this spirit, you can expect: A physical space that brings the community closer to the altar promoting a feeling of connectedness; a liturgy that embraces the Anglican tradition promoting participation and comprehension for all; and opportunities to lead, for both those who can sign up in advance for roles and those who would like to choose a role when they arrive for the service.

Join us every Sunday at 9:00am! Info: stjamescathedral.ca/worshipitogether/

Season of Creation



The Season of Creation is an ecumenical movement by Christians around the world to observe the period between **September 1 (the World Day of Prayer for Creation)** and **October 4 (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi)** as a time of particular attention to praying and caring for the earth. General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, at the recently held meeting adopted the **Feast of the Creator**, a celebration of God's original and ongoing acts of creation, to be held on September 1 or on another date within the Season of Creation. We will observe this Feast on Sunday, Oct. 5.

More info: www.toronto.anglican.ca/diocesan-life/social-justice-advocacy/creation-care

Sept. 20 at 9:30am: Rehearsals Begin for Our Children's Choir



A huge thank you to all our campers who joined us for our Choir Camp!

We had such a fun time singing together, exploring new instruments, and sharing a wonderful recital for family and friends.

Let's keep the music going. **Join our Children's Community Choir**, open to all children ages 6-16 and new members too. Sing with us! **Weekly rehearsals** begin **Saturday, Sept. 20** at from 9:30am to 10:30am. **More info:** stjamescathedral.ca/communitychoir/

FALL EVENTS, JOIN US!

- Sep 7 at 12:30pm: Vestry Nominations Committee – Info Session - Lecture Room
 - Sept 9 at 1:00pm: Organ recitals resume on Tuesdays at 1:00pm at St. James Cathedral
 - Sept 9, 15 & 22 at 7:30pm: (Online) Baptism Preparation. RSVP for Zoom link*
 - Sep 10 at 7:30pm: Vestry Nominations Committee – Info Session - RSVP for Zoom link*
 - Sept 16 – Nov 11 (Tuesdays), 12:00pm-1:00pm: Dean's online course, *Everyday Witness*. Register: toronto.anglican.ca/diocesan-life/season-of-spiritual-renewal/season-of-spiritual-renewal-workshops/
 - Sept 17 at 2:00pm: The York Group and The Rev. Matthew Waterman - Lecture Room
 - Sept 20 at 9:30am: Weekly Rehearsals Begin for Our Children's Community Choir
 - Sept 20 at 2:00pm: Season of Creation celebration at St. Paul, Midhurst (5 Noraline Ave)
 - Sept 21 at 11:00am: Annual Wycliffe College Founders' Day Service
 - Sept 21 at 1:00pm: (In-person) Baptism Preparation - Library
 - Sept 26 at 6:00pm: Family Fun Night. Info + RSVP: stjamescathedral.ca/familyfunnight/
 - Sept 27 at 10:30am: Annual Walk-a-thon at Edward Gardens. Donations welcome!
 - Sept 28 at 9:00am: Holy Baptism
 - Sept 28 at 12:30pm: (In-person) Pre-Special Vestry Meeting - Lecture Room
 - Oct 1 at 6:00pm: (Online) Pre-Special Vestry Meeting. Please RSVP for Zoom link*
 - Oct 4 at 10:00am: Community Playdate (Snell Hall). RSVP stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/
 - Oct 4 at 10:30am: Blessing of the Animals in the WestLawn
 - Oct 5: The Cathedral observes the Feast of the Creator
 - Oct 5: Special Vestry Meeting after the 11:00am service in Snell Hall
 - Oct 25 at 7:30pm: Organist David Briggs in concert with *The Phantom of the Opera* (1925)
Get tickets on stjamescathedral.ca/phantom2025 or Eventbrite
 - Oct 12-Nov 9: Sermon Series (mornings) on Stewardship: "*Abundant Grace, Faithful Response: Stewardship for God's Mission*"
 - Oct 26-Nov 23: Evensong Sermon Series. Guest preachers on the topic '*A Renewed Church*'
- *Sessions online – Please RSVP for Zoom link: info@stjamescathedral.ca or 416-364-7865

Saturday, Oct. 25 at 8:00pm: *Phantom of the Opera* with David Briggs



World-renowned organist David Briggs performs a live improvised score to the 1925 silent film *The Phantom of the Opera* on St. James Cathedral's 5,000-pipe organ. Enjoy the film on a large screen within the Cathedral's architecture and acoustics.

Tickets: stjamescathedral.ca/phantom2025
or visit Eventbrite.

SPECIAL VESTRY 2025

Today at 12:30pm & Sept. 10 at 7:30pm: Information Sessions



All parishioners are welcome to join the list of those willing to serve in our parish's Vestry or our Diocesan Synod. Nominations (self or other) for elected or appointed positions are invited.

• **Info Sessions: *Today at 12:30pm** (In-person, Lecture Room)

***Sept 10, 7:30pm** (Online – Please RSVP for Zoom link:

info@stjamescathedral.ca or 416-364-7865)

• **Special Vestry Meeting:** Oct 5 after the 11:00am service.

For more information, please visit stjamescathedral/vestry2025

Sept 28 & Oct 1: Pre-Special Vestry Meetings (In-Person & Online)

Pre-Special Vestry Meetings are opportunities for those who wish to learn more about the 2026 budget and June 30, 2025 financial statements. There will be two Pre-Vestry Meetings:

In person: Sunday, September 28 at 12:30pm in the Lecture Room.

Online: Wednesday, October 1 at 6:00pm. (Please RSVP for Zoom link:

info@stjamescathedral.ca or 416-364-7865)

October 5: Special Vestry Meeting

Our next Special Vestry Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 5, 2025, in Snell Hall chaired by our Dean, the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance. The meeting will follow after the 11:00am service. Light lunch will be served. Visit stjamescathedral/vestry2025

Evensong Sermon Series at 4:30pm: *A Renewed Church*. All are invited!

As the two-year *Season of Spiritual Renewal* in our Diocese nears its climax in Epiphany 2026, the Cathedral invites the rest of the Diocese to sermon series. Homilists & topics follow:

- Oct. 26 - The Ven. Cheryl Palmer - "What happens when we '*Proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom*'"
- Nov 2: The Rev. Canon Kristen Pitts - "*A Renewed Church: What happens when we 'Teach, Baptize, and Nurture New Believers'*"
- Nov. 9: The Ven. Steven Mackison – "What happens when we '*Respond to Human Need by Loving Service*'"
- Nov. 16: The Ven. Theodore Hunt - "What happens when we '*Seek to Transform Unjust Structures of Society*'"
- Nov. 23: The Rev. Canon Andrew Federle - "What happens when we '*Strive to Safeguard the Integrity of Creation and Sustain and Renew the Life of the Earth*'"

"In a renewed Church, proclaiming the Gospel is not about reclaiming lost cultural ground, but offering a living, liberating hope. Renewal means we do not just attract people, we seek to grow people. A renewed Church sees Christ in the hungry, the sick, and the stranger and cannot be silent in the face of injustice. Renewal includes the earth itself." (The Rev. Canon Dr. Stephen Fields, Sub-Dean and Vicar)

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 away presiding at the Annual Residential Meeting of Asbury Theological Seminary Alumni Council.

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.

Donation envelopes: If you want to renew your envelopes for 2026, please contact Serena Li at sli@stjamescathedral.ca or call (416)364-7865 Ext. 229.

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: <https://bit.ly/MPatSJC> or scan the QR code. For more information, visit: stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer/



Tuesday: Organ Recital at 1:00pm. Organist: Jean-Paul Feo.

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 Services – September 14, 2025

8:00am: Said Eucharist

9:00am: Worship Together

11:00am: Choral Eucharist (*live-streamed on the Cathedral channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

4:30pm: Choral Evensong (*live-streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel at youtube.com/stjamescathedraltoronto*).

Readings for the

Holy Cross Day

Numbers 21:4b-9;

Psalms 98:1-6

1 Corinthians 1:18-24

John 3:13-17

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