



# **The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost**

*Special Vestry Sunday*

***October 5, 2025***

***Choral Eucharist at 11:00am***

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

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### Liturgical Note:

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## Today at St. James

*Presider: The Reverend Canon Dr. Stephen Fields*

*Homilist: The Very Reverend Dr. Stephen Hance*

*Deacon of the Mass: The Reverend Lynn Braye*

*Anointer: The Reverend Matthew Waterman • Sub-Deacon: David Grant*

*First Reader: Quentin Toderick • Second Reader: Don Solomon, ODT*

*Intercessor: Brainerd Blyden-Taylor • Honorary Verger: Paul D. Seddon, ODT*

*Communion Ministers: Stanley Baptiste, Yvonne Joseph, Wairimu Nduati,  
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*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*

*Frederick Alexander Ray & Victoria MacFadden*

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

# THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*Our practice during this liturgy is to stand when we sing and during the proclamation of the Gospel, sit for other Scripture readings (including the Psalm) and the Homily, and stand, sit, or kneel for prayer. These are guidelines and we invite you to assume a posture that is most comfortable for you during the service.*

*Music of the Mass: Messe Basse by Gabriel Fauré arr. Jon Washburn*

**Prelude** Stèle pour Gabriel Fauré

*Jean Langlais*

## Welcome & Announcements

### Hymn

Tune: Gwalchmai

*All*

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee;  
and that love may never cease, I will move thee.  
Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me;  
thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee,  
and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.  
Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me;  
and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;  
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.  
Small it is, in this poor sort to enrol thee:  
even eternity's too short to extol thee.

Text: George Herbert; Music: Joseph David Jones; Tune: Gwalchmai

*Presider*

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

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Presider*

Almighty God,

*All*

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

### Kyrie Eleison

*Choir*

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

*During the Gloria, children are invited to gather in front of the altar before proceeding to the Library in the Cathedral Centre for Sunday School; they will return at the Offertory.*

## Gloria

*New plainsong by David Hurd*



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God,  
heav-en-ly king, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
you are sea-ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer.  
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High,  
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi - rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther, A - men.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* Let us pray.

God, you weep with those who are oppressed, with those who are uprooted from their homeland and with those who are without shelter or security. Grant that your faithful love may reach out through us, so that your healing mercy may rise like the dawn. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### The First Reading

*Lamentations 1:1-6*

*Reader* How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess

among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting-place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 137**

*Chant by C. S. Lang*

*Choir* By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept,  
when we remembered Zion.  
As for our lyres, we hung them up  
on the willows that grow in that land.  
For there our captors asked for a song,  
our tormentors called for mirth:  
‘Sing us one of the songs of Zion.’  
How shall we sing the Lord’s song  
in a strange land?  
If I forget you, O Jerusalem,  
let my right hand forget its skill.  
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth  
if I do not remember you,  
if I set not Jerusalem above my highest joy.  
Remember, O Lord, against the people of Edom  
the day of Jerusalem,  
how they said, ‘Down with it,  
down with it, even to the ground.’  
O daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction,  
happy the one who repays you  
for all you have done to us;  
Who takes your little ones,  
and dashes them against the rock.

## The Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14

*Reader* Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

T. Bell

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Choir* The word of the Lord abides for ever. That word is the good news which was preached to you.

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

*Deacon* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

*Deacon* The apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith!’ The Lord replied, ‘If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, “Be uprooted and planted in the sea”, and it would obey you.

‘Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, “Come here at once and take your place at the table”? Would you not rather say to him, “Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink”? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, “We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!”’

*Deacon* The Gospel of Christ. *People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Homily**

### **The Apostles’ Creed**

*Presider* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

*All* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Commissioning of Lay Anointer & Lay Pastoral Visitors**

*Presider* Dear friends in Christ, we are all baptized into one Body and given gifts for the common good. Today we commission David Grant as a Lay Anointer, and with Leslie Derbecker, David Grant, Charles Klassen, Sandra Mowat, Daisy Pittis, and Nick Tunnacliffe as Lay Pastoral Visitors.

*Dean* The Church’s ministry to the sick and those in need reflects Jesus’ compassion and care. Scripture calls us to pray for the sick and to anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. David has been trained and licensed by the Bishop to share in this ministry within the worshipping life of the Church.

Lay Pastoral Visitors are also called to offer prayer, listening, and the ministry of presence to those who seek support. Leslie, David, Charles, Sandra, Daisy, and Nick will exercise this ministry under the guidance of the clergy of this Cathedral.

Will you prayerfully and reverently carry out the duties of these ministries to the honour of God and the good of this congregation?

*Candidates* I will.

*Dean* Will you perform them faithfully under the guidance of your clergy and according to the canons of this Church?

*Candidates* I will.

*Dean* Will you uphold these persons in their ministry with your prayers and support?

*People* We will.

*Dean* In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you David to serve as a Lay Anointer and Lay Pastoral Visitor in this community.

*All* **Amen.**

*Dean* In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you Leslie, Charles, Sandra, Daisy, Nick to serve as a Lay Pastoral Visitor in this community.

*All* **Amen.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Gracious God, whose Son came among us as healer and friend: Pour out your Spirit upon these your servants, that in their ministries of anointing and pastoral care they may bring comfort to the weary, strength to the weak, and hope to the discouraged. Bless those they serve, that all may know the compassion of Christ and the joy of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Presider* Holy God, you are always ready to hear us when we cry out to you. Therefore we humbly offer our prayers, saying, "Gracious God, hear our prayer."

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Gracious God,

*People* **hear our prayer.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers.*

*Presider* Merciful God, you remind us that there is great power in even a small amount of faith. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

*Presider* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*All* Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*We offer each other a sign of peace.*

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## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

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

## Offertory Hymn

Tune: Repton

*All* He comes to us as one unknown,  
a breath unseen, unheard;  
as though within a heart of stone,  
or shriveled seed in darkness sown,  
a pulse of being stirred, a pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie  
and thoughts of day depart,  
half-seen upon the inward eye,  
a falling star across the sky  
of night within the heart, of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas,  
the ocean's fume and foam;  
yet small and still upon the breeze,  
a wind that stirs the tops of trees,  
a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.

He comes in love as once he came  
by flesh and blood and birth;  
to bear within our mortal frame  
a life, a death, a saving name,  
for every child of earth, for every child of earth.

He comes in truth when faith is grown;  
believed, obeyed, adored:  
the Christ in all the scriptures shown,  
as yet unseen, but not unknown,  
our Saviour, and our Lord,  
our Saviour, and our Lord.

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith

Music: Melody Nikolaus Herman; adapt. harm. J.S. Bach

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## Prayer over the Gifts

*Presider* God of truth, receive all we offer you this day. Make us worthy servants,  
strong to follow in the pattern of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

*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* It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

## **Sanctus & Benedictus**

*Choir* 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* Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the

new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*People*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Presider*

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

*People*

**Amen.**

## 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* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

*All* We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

## The Communion

*Presider* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Agnus Dei

*Choir* Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

- *All are welcome to receive the Holy Sacrament or a blessing.*
- *Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.*
- *It is not permitted to dip the bread in the wine for health reasons.*
- *You are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing by crossing your hands over your chest.*

## Communion Hymn

Tune: Chartres

*All* We who live by sound and symbol, we who learn from sight and word,  
find these married in the person of the one we call our Lord.  
Taking bread to be his body, taking wine to be his blood,  
he let thought take flesh in action; he let faith take root in food.

Not just once with special people, not just hidden deep in time,  
but wherever Christ is followed, earthly fare becomes sublime.  
Though to sound this seems a mystery, though to sense it seems absurd,  
yet in faith, which seems like folly, we meet Jesus Christ our Lord.

God, our Maker, send your Spirit to pervade the bread we break.  
Let it bring the life we long for and the love which we forsake.  
Bind us closer to each other, both forgiving and forgiven;  
give us grace in this and all things to discern the hand of heaven.

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## Motet **A New Song**

James MacMillan

*Choir* O, sing unto the Lord, unto the Lord a new song;  
Sing unto the Lord All the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord and praise His name  
Be telling of His salvation from day to day.

O, sing unto the Lord, unto the Lord a new song;  
Sing unto the Lord All the whole earth.

For he cometh to judge the earth.  
And with righteousness to judge the world and the people with his truth.

O, sing unto the Lord, unto the Lord a new song;  
Sing unto the Lord All the whole earth.

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Presider* Let us pray.  
Almighty God, may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist remain  
in your steadfast love, and show in our lives the saving mystery that we  
celebrate. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

*Presider* Glory to God,  
*People* **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Blessing**

*Presider* The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and  
minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our  
Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy  
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

*People* **Amen.**

### **Hymn**

Tune: Song 34

*All* Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labour to pursue,  
thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned O let me cheerfully fulfil,  
in all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see,  
and labour on at thy command and offer all my works to thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke, and every moment watch and pray,  
and still to things eternal look, and hasten to thy glorious day;

for thee delightfully employ whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given,  
and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with thee to heaven.

Text: Charles Wesley; Music: Melody and bass Orlando Gibbons; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906, alt.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world that God loves.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

### PRAYER CYCLE

*This week, please pray for:  
The Anglican Church of Tanzania; Tecumseth Deanery and the Music Ministry*

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## ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL-CONNECTIONS - Sunday, October 5, 2025

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

Today: The Cathedral observes the Feast of the Creator

Children & Families: Sunday School at 11:00am.

Coffee Hour: There is no Coffee Hour due to the Special Vestry.

Today: Special Vestry after the 11:00am service. Light lunch will be provided.

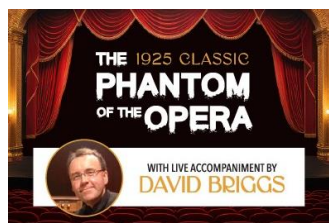
### *Worship Together: Every Sunday at 9:00am, Join Us!*



Our 9:00am service *Worship Together* has been refreshed to more fully accommodate worshipers of all ages and abilities.

For questions, volunteering, and more information, please visit: [stjamescathedral.ca/worshiptogether/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/worshiptogether/)

### **Sold Out! Oct. 25 at 8:00pm: *Phantom of the Opera* with David Briggs**

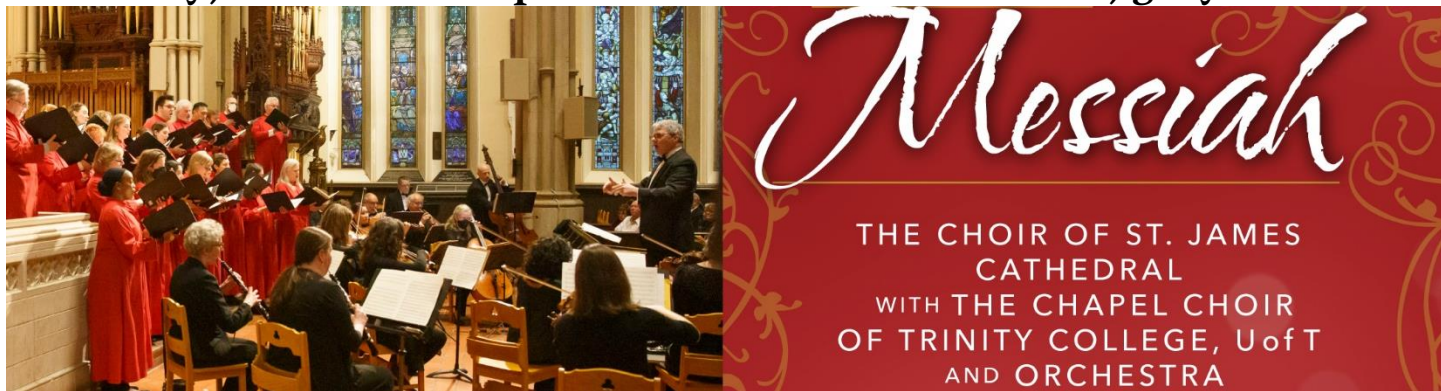


All tickets for this concert have been sold out. Thank you, our friends and patrons, for your wonderful support.

David Briggs brings the 1925 silent film classic *The Phantom of the Opera*, to St. James Cathedral's majestic 5,000-pipe organ.

David Briggs' CDs will be on sale (cash only).

### **Saturday, Dec. 13 at 7:30pm: *Messiah*. Tickets are on sale, get yours now!**



Mark your calendars! The Choirs of St. James Cathedral and Trinity College, U of T, with the Orchestra of St. James, perform *Messiah* by G. F. Handel.

**Early Bird: \$40** (Until November 1, 2025) & **Regular: \$45** (From November 2, 2025)

**Info + tickets:** [stjamescathedral.ca/messiahconcert2025/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/messiahconcert2025/) or Eventbrite.ca

#### **Patron packages include:**

**\$300** (2 tickets, reserved seating, names in the program, Wine & Cheese reception).

A charitable tax receipt of \$250 will be issued in January.

**\$150** (1 ticket, reserved seating, name in the program, Wine & Cheese reception).

A charitable tax receipt of \$125 will be issued in January.

**To become a Patron, please contact** [bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:bookkeeper@stjamescathedral.ca)

# FALL EVENTS, JOIN US!

Please pick up flyers (back of the church) and post them on any community boards you have access to, and share our Facebook/Instagram posts. Let's spread the word. Thanks!

## October:

- Oct 7 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Stefani Bedin (Christ Church, Deer Park)
- Oct 12-Nov 9: Sermon Series (mornings) on Stewardship: *"Abundant Grace, Faithful Response: Stewardship for God's Mission"*
- Oct 17 at 6:00pm: Family Fun Night. Stay tuned for more details.
- Oct 18 & 25 at 9:30am: Children's Community Choir Rehearsals (All ages 8-16)
- Oct 25 at 7:30pm: Organist David Briggs in concert with *The Phantom of the Opera* (1925)
- Oct 26 at 4:00pm: Recital by Organist David Briggs (before Choral Evensong)
- Oct 24-30 10:00am-3:00pm: Remembrance Prayer Station - All Saints & All Souls
- Oct 26-Nov 23: Evensong Sermon Series. Schedule: [stjamescathedral.ca/arenewedchurch](http://stjamescathedral.ca/arenewedchurch)

## November:

- Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 9:30am: Children's Community Choir Rehearsal (All ages 8-16)
- Nov 1 at 10:00am: Community Playdate. Please RSVP [stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/playdate/)
- Nov 2 at 8:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am & 4:30pm: All Saints' Sunday
- Nov 3: All Souls' Services - St. James Cemetery (11:00am) & Cathedral (12:15pm)
- Nov 4 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Michael Capon (Kingston)
- Nov 9: Remembrance Services  
10:15am: Memorial Cross  
11:00am: Royal Canadian Regiment (Cathedral)  
1:00pm: Governor General's Horse Guards (Cathedral & Memorial Cross)
- Nov 11 at 10:00am: Remembrance Day - St. James Cemetery
- Nov 11 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Ian Sadler (Stratford, Ontario)
- Nov 16: Refugee Committee – Coffee Hour (after the 9:00am & 11:00am services)
- Nov 18 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Imre Olah (Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church)
- Nov 20 a 1:00pm: Early Music at St. James (St. George's Chapel)
- Nov 25 at 1:00pm: Recital by Organist Peter Nikiforuk (Kitchener)
- Nov 30 from 4:30pm-5:30pm: Advent 1 – Lessons & Carols Service

## **Oct. 26 – Nov 23 at 4:30pm: Evensong Sermon Series - *A Renewed Church***

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 join us on Sundays for a sermon series.

For homilists & topics, please visit: [stjamescathedral.ca/arenewedchurch](http://stjamescathedral.ca/arenewedchurch)





## St. James Drop-In – Updates

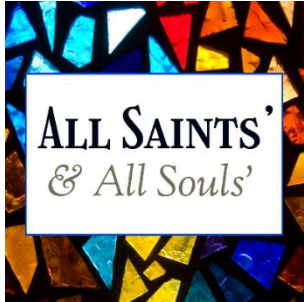
Want to give back in a simple, meaningful way?

**Call for volunteers:** We need a few friendly helpers ready to wipe tables, clean the kitchen, and dry dishes on Fridays.

**Paid position:** Dishwasher on Fridays from 12:00pm until 5:00pm approximately. No skills needed—just a positive attitude!

For more information, contact: Kathy Biasi – Outreach Manager at [kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca) or 4163647865 Ext. 222.

## Commemoration for Our Departed Loved Ones



Join us as we celebrate the saints and gather to remember our loved ones and all the faithful departed.

**Remembrance Prayer Station:** Oct. 24-30 (from 10:00am to 3:00pm)

**All Saints' Day Services:** Nov 1 (12:15pm) & Nov. 2 at all services

**All Souls' Day Services:**

Nov 3: 11:00am (Cemetery) & 12:15pm (Cathedral)

The names of departed loved ones will be read aloud at the service.

To include a name, email Serena Li at [sli@stjamescathedral.ca](mailto:sli@stjamescathedral.ca) by Tuesday, Oct. 28, or clearly print it in the All Souls Binder in the Narthex on Sundays.

## Remembrance Day Services - Lest We Forget (Cathedral & Cemetery)



**Saturday, Nov 9:**

10:15am: We will gather at the Memorial Cross for the observance.

11:00am: The Royal Regiment of Canada members will join the Cathedral community for their Service and Parade.

1:00pm-2:30pm: The Governor General's Horse Guards' Service and Parade.

**Tuesday, Nov 11:**

St. James Cemetery at 10:00am.

## Support Needed: Help Us Restore Our Beloved Clock!



We are asking the City of Toronto for help in funding much-needed repairs to our community clock.

To show your support, please:

1. Vote (only for residents of Ward 13).

Voting period: Oct 1-31.

2. Send a petition to the city by contacting Councillor Moise's office:

Phone: (416) 392-7903

Email: [councillor\\_moise@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_moise@toronto.ca)

Let us work to preserve this important part of our neighbourhood!

## 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.

**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.

### 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/](http://stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer/)



**Tuesday:** Organ Recitals at 1:00pm in the Cathedral. Free admission, donations welcome!

**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.

**Saturday:** No Children's Community Choir Rehearsal on Oct. 11. Resumes on Oct. 18.

## Sunday Services – October 12, 2025

**8:00am:** Said Eucharist

**9:00am:** Worship Together

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

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

**Readings for Harvest**

**Thanksgiving**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalms 100

Philippians 4:4-9

John 6:25-35

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