

The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

July 5, 2026

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.

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Children & Families

Sunday School meets every week at the 11:00am service.

Please email Karyne Whalen at kwhalen@stjamescathedral.ca for more information.

For more information on our Children's Community Choir,
please email Director Cara Halpin at chalpin@stjamescathedral.ca

Accessibility

A Wheelchair Accessible All-gender Washroom is located
at the front of the Cathedral through the doors by the pulpit.
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Coffee Hour

Please join us at Snell Hall following the 9:00am and 11:00am service.

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Today at St. James

Officiant & Homilist: The Reverend Matthew Waterman

Lector: Robert Coates

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 at the Cathedral are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Mary (Mollie) Hamilton Walton-Ball,
Gail M. Scott, Claude and Dorothy Scott, Winifred A.M. Scott,
Commander T. Wilson Scott, RCNR.*

*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, the Psalms 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.

Prelude

Welcome

Introit **God So Loved The World**

Elizabeth and Thomas Coxhead

Choir

My eyes for beauty pine,
My soul for Goddës grace:
No other care nor hope is mine,
to heaven I turn my face.
One splendour thence is shed
From all the stars above:
Tis named when Goddës name is said,
'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.
And every gentle heart,
That burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.

Please stand when the organ plays.

Preces and Responses

Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

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;

Choir

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 111

Chant by R. Woodward

Choir

Alleluia.

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.
The works of the Lord are great,
sought out by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and honour
and his righteousness endures for ever.
He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
He gave food to those who feared him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.
He showed his people the power of his works
in giving them the heritage of the nations.
The works of his hands are truth and justice;
all his commandments are sure.
They stand fast for ever and ever;
they are done in truth and equity.
He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding
have those who live by it;
his praise endures for ever.

Psalm 112

Choir

Chant by W. Jacobs

Alleluia.
Blessed are those who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments.
Their descendants will be mighty in the land,
a generation of the faithful that will be blest.
Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness endures for ever.
Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
gracious and full of compassion are the righteous.
It goes well with those who are generous in lending
and order their affairs with justice,
For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.
They will not be afraid of any evil tidings;
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.
Their heart is sustained and will not fear,
until they see the downfall of their foes.
They have given freely to the poor; their righteousness stands fast for ever;
their head will be exalted with honour.
The wicked shall see it and be angry; they shall gnash their teeth in despair;
the desire of the wicked shall perish.

Psalm 113

Chant by S. Vann

Choir

Alleluia.

Give praise, you servants of the Lord,

O praise the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

from this time forth and for evermore.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

let the name of the Lord be praised.

The Lord is high above all nations

and his glory above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord our God, that has his throne so high,

yet humbles himself to behold the things of heaven and earth?

He raises the poor from the dust

and lifts the needy from the ashes,

To set them with princes,

with the princes of his people.

He gives the barren woman a place in the house

and makes her a joyful mother of children.

Alleluia.

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

1 Samuel 15:1-3, 7-23

Reader

Samuel said to Saul, 'The Lord sent me to anoint you king over his people Israel; now therefore listen to the words of the Lord. Thus says the Lord of hosts, "I will punish the Amalekites for what they did in opposing the Israelites when they came up out of Egypt. Now go and attack Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have; do not spare them, but kill both man and woman, child and infant, ox and sheep, camel and donkey.'"

Saul defeated the Amalekites, from Havilah as far as Shur, which is east of Egypt. He took King Agag of the Amalekites alive, but utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword. Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep and of the cattle and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was valuable, and would not utterly destroy them; all that was despised and worthless they utterly destroyed.

The word of the Lord came to Samuel: 'I regret that I made Saul king, for he has turned back from following me, and has not carried out my commands.' Samuel was angry; and he cried out to the Lord all night. Samuel rose early in the morning to meet Saul, and Samuel was told, 'Saul

went to Carmel, where he set up a monument for himself, and on returning he passed on down to Gilgal.' When Samuel came to Saul, Saul said to him, 'May you be blessed by the Lord; I have carried out the command of the Lord.' But Samuel said, 'What then is this bleating of sheep in my ears, and the lowing of cattle that I hear?' Saul said, 'They have brought them from the Amalekites; for the people spared the best of the sheep and the cattle, to sacrifice to the Lord your God; but the rest we have utterly destroyed.' Then Samuel said to Saul, 'Stop! I will tell you what the Lord said to me last night.' He replied, 'Speak.'

Samuel said, 'Though you are little in your own eyes, are you not the head of the tribes of Israel? The Lord anointed you king over Israel. And the Lord sent you on a mission, and said, "Go, utterly destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they are consumed." Why then did you not obey the voice of the Lord? Why did you swoop down on the spoil, and do what was evil in the sight of the Lord?' Saul said to Samuel, 'I have obeyed the voice of the Lord, I have gone on the mission on which the Lord sent me, I have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and I have utterly destroyed the Amalekites. But from the spoil the people took sheep and cattle, the best of the things devoted to destruction, to sacrifice to the Lord your God in Gilgal.' And Samuel said,

'Has the Lord as great delight in burnt-offerings and sacrifices, as in obedience to the voice of the Lord? Surely, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams. For rebellion is no less a sin than divination, and stubbornness is like iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, he has also rejected you from being king.'

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

Mark 1:14-20

Reader Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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.

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 God.

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collects

Officiant Almighty God, thy Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of thy children, we do also for him; give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all and gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.

Anthem Rejoice In the Lord Alway

Anon

Choir Rejoice in the Lord always,
and again I say, rejoice.
Let your softness be known unto all men:
the Lord is at hand.
Be careful for nothing:
but in all prayer and supplication,
let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks.
And the peace of God,
which passeth all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

Homily

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Hymn at the Collection

Tune: Arfon Major

All Sing ye praises to the Father, sing ye praises to the Son,
sing ye praises to the Spirit, living and eternal One.
God has made us, and has blessed us, and has called us to be true;
God is Lord of all creation, daily making all things new.

Join the praise of every creature, sing with singing birds at dawn;
when the stars shine forth at nightfall, hear their heavenly antiphon.
Praise our God for light of summer, autumn glories, winter snows,
for the coming of the springtime and the life of all that grows,

praising on our days of gladness for the summons to rejoice,
praising in our times of sadness for the comfort of God's voice.
Hail, Creator, strong and loving, Christ our Saviour, Leader, Lord,
living God, sustaining Spirit—be thy holy name adored!

Text: R.B.Y. Scott, alt.
Music: Melody Welsh trad.

Offertory Prayer

Officiant Let us pray.

God of mercy, accept all we offer you this day. Increase our faith, deepen our hope, and confirm us in your love. May these offerings be used to support your church in the spread of the gospel and may our lives be spent in the pursuit of peace and justice in the world. 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.**

Final Response

Edward Woodall Naylor

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 Anglican Church of South America; St. James Deanery and the young adults of the parish

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St. James Cathedral Connections

Sunday, July 5, 2026

Services: 8:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, and 4:30pm.

Thank you for a fantastic Canada Day celebration!

Thank you to all our volunteers and everyone who helped make our Canada Day BBQ such a success. Together, we welcomed hundreds of guests from our Drop-In community and the St. Lawrence neighbourhood with hospitality and joy. We couldn't have done it without you. Stay tuned for more events and opportunities to get involved!

Congratulations Rev. Matthew!

The Rev. Matthew Waterman has been appointed Incumbent at the Church of St. Stephen, Downsview, effective Sep. 1, 2026. We give thanks for his ministry and hold him in our prayers.

A note from Canon Stephen Fields

"Thank you for your farewell gift and warm words of commendation on the occasion of my retirement. I am deeply grateful for your kindness and for the many expressions of love and appreciation extended to me. My ministry among you will remain a treasured gift."

☀ What's On ☀

July 12, 14, 19, 25 & 26 • Cathedral Tours - *Discover the beauty inside*

Tours take place at 1:00pm in the Cathedral. No RSVP. 40-min. All are welcome.

☀ What's Next ☀

July 26 • Patronal Festival Service and Emancipation Day at St. James

Celebrate the Feast Day of our Patron Saint and the blessing of the Emancipation Plaque immediately after the 11:00am service. Join us on the West Lawn from 12:30pm to 3:00pm.

Emancipation Day commemorates the abolition of slavery in the British Empire, which took effect on August 1, 1834. St. James has a longstanding connection to this history through commemorative services first held by Toronto's African-Canadian community. Emancipation Day honours the resilience and contributions of Black communities in Canada.

August 31 - September 3 • Children's Choir Summer Camp (9:30am–3:00pm)

We welcome children ages 8–12 who love singing & music to enjoy four days filled with music, art, drama, musicians, games and more. Registration: stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir

☀ What's Needed ☀

July 26 • Patronal Festival & BBQ - Call for Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help prepare, serve food, or help with clean-up.

If you are interested, send an email to info@stjamescathedral.ca or call (416)364-7865.

September 26 • Trivia Night "Food for Thought" - Call for Volunteers

The Drop-In needs extra hands for set up, guest registration, serving, clean-up and more.

Interested? Details: Kathy Biasi, Outreach Manager at kbiasi@stjamescathedral.ca

This week at St. James

The Dean is away on his summer break.

Canon Kristen is away on summer break through July 9.

The Rev. Matthew Waterman is presiding & preaching at St. Michael and All Angels this morning.

Organ Recitals will resume on Tuesday, Sep. 8. In the meantime, enjoy performances on the Cathedral YouTube Channel. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/events/recitals

Scripture Circle: In-person on Wednesdays at 11:00am in the Cathedral Centre.

Drop-In: Fridays 1:30pm-3:30pm. stjamescathedral.ca/community/dropin

Children's Choir: Resumes on Saturday, Sep. 19 at 9:30am. stjamescathedral.ca/childrenschoir

St. James Cathedral Sunday Services

We offer a range of services that reflect our Anglican heritage.

8:00am Said Eucharist Simple Communion service in traditional language

9:00am Worship Together All-ages Communion service with music*

11:00am Choral Eucharist Sensory-rich service with the Cathedral Choir & Sunday School*

4:30pm Choral Evensong Meditative prayer service with the St. James Cathedral Choir

**Please join us for Coffee Hour in Snell Hall after the 9:00am and 11:00am services.*

Next Sunday's Readings: July 12 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Weekdays at St. James

Morning Prayer (Online): Join us Monday-Friday at 8:30am live on Zoom or YouTube.

Saturday's prayer is available on YouTube. Details: stjamescathedral.ca/morningprayer

Holy Eucharist: Monday-Saturday at 12:15pm in St. George's Chapel.

St. James Cathedral: Open for prayer & tourism, 10:00am-3:00pm, Monday-Saturday.

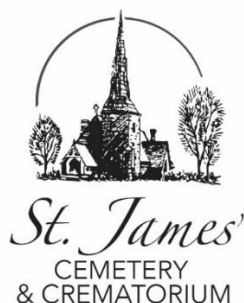
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