

August 31, 2025

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

WELCOME



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect and friendship to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours.

We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land, and we commit ourselves to walk in right relations with one another.

GATHERING HYMN

Gather Us In

RED 532

GREETING

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are opened, 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Humble and gracious God, you lift the lowly and welcome the outcast. Shape our hearts after Jesus, that we may seek not honour but service, and find blessing in sharing your table of mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

READING: Proverbs 25:6-7a

The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature, giving directions to Israel's leaders and people for the conduct of daily life.

- ⁶ Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,
^{7a} for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 112

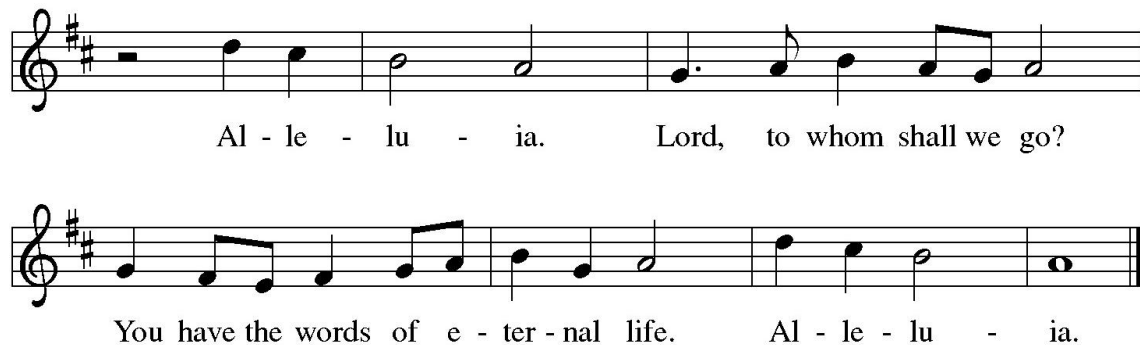


- ¹ **Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD
and have great delight in | God's commandments!**
² **Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;
the generation of the upright | will be blessed. R**
³ **Wealth and riches will be | in their house,
and their righteousness will | last forever.**
⁴ **Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.**
⁵ **It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.**



- ⁶ For they will nev- | er be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing
remembrance. R**
- ⁷ They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.**
- ⁸ Their heart is established and | will not shrink,
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.**
- ⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their
righteousness stands | fast forever;
they will hold up their | head with honor.**
- ¹⁰ The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash
their teeth and | pine away;
the desires of the wick- | ed will perish. R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

The holy gospel of our Lord according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were

watching him closely. ⁷ When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable.

⁸ “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, ⁹ and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹² He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴ And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

This is the gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY

Commonwealth Is God's Commandment



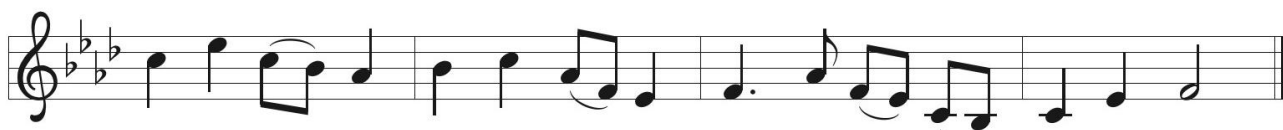
- 1 Com-mon-wealth is God's com-mand-ment; com-mon goods are meant to share.
- 2 Shar-ing lav-ish gifts and bless-ings, love that not one mite with-holds,
- 3 Gen-ders, rac-es, tribes, and na-tions, hear the Ho-ly One who calls,



Ta-bles set and doors wide o-pen wel-come an-gels un-a-ware.
stretch out arms to friends and strang-ers: God has sheep of man-y folds.
bid-ding all to work to-geth-er, bridg-ing lives and breach-ing walls.



Plead for the peace of all cre-a-tion. Pray for a place where grace is found.



Shan-ti, pax, sha-lom, mas-la-ha: com-mon good is ho-ly ground.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

For the leaders of the church... (*brief silence...*) Inspire deacons, priests, pastors, and bishops, with a passion for sharing the gospel. Equip all the baptized to share your grace in word and deed. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the well-being of creation... *(brief silence...)* Sustain farm workers and all who labour in the fields to grow the food we eat. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the local, national, and international leaders... *(brief silence...)* Guide them to work for the common good and for the peace and dignity of all people. On this Labour Day weekend, make us grateful for all workers, that they would receive fair compensation for their labour and that they would have safe conditions to work in. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For all who are subjected to oppression and violence due to conflict between politicians, corporations, and nations... *(brief silence...)* We pray especially for the safety and well-being of the people of Gaza and Ukraine. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those who are ill in mind, body, or spirit... *(brief silence...)* Give us the courage and confidence to reach out our hands in support. We pray especially for: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Werner and Debbie, John and Julianna, Ross and Karen, Gwen and Nolan, Ken and Matzi, Irene, Jeff, Karen, Mary, Kathryn, Bill, Irene, Kelly, John and Laura, Juan and Anita, Bill, Guillermo, Micah, Rosemary, and those we name before you in our hearts. *(silence...)*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the hospitality ministries of this congregation... *(brief silence...)* Give ushers and greeters a spirit of welcome for visitors. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For all the saints who from their labours rest, we give thanks... *(brief silence...)* With them, we offer our sacrifice of praise to you, O God, the same yesterday and today and forever. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion. **Amen.**

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.

I invite you to share a sign of peace with one another respecting the boundaries and honouring the consent of our neighbours.

OFFERTORY Goodness is Stronger Than Evil



Good -ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



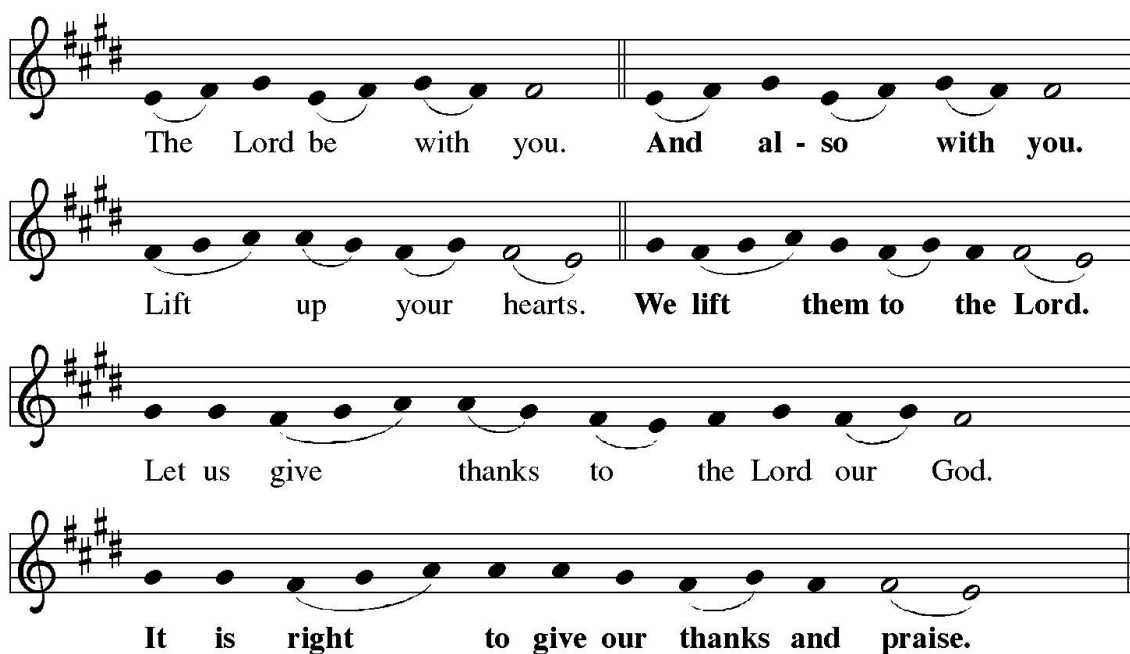
ours, vic - t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

God of all creation,
all you have made is good,
and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts,
that we might be for the world
signs of your gracious presence
in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen**

GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

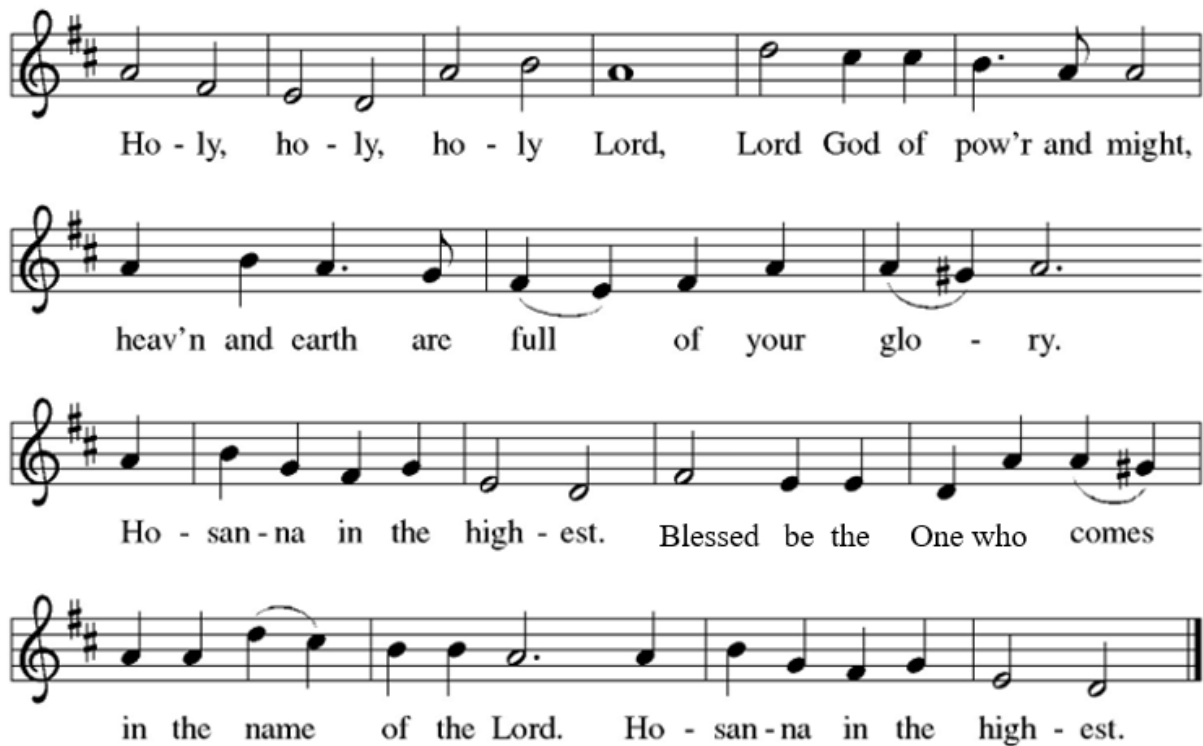
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

... and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent Jesus to heal our ills and form us again into one.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:

as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, Jesus Christ, through whom all glory and honour is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, now and forever. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Come, for Christ welcomes you with mercy and hope.
The meal of grace is ready for all.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

In God Alone

BLUE 563

As We Gather At Your Table

BLUE 61

Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread

BLUE 65

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

We give you thanks, O God, that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy,
strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in
fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ
our Lord. **Amen.**

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let
ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and suitable for a church service. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes. The first staff ends with a semibreve note, and the second staff ends with a quarter rest. The third and fourth staves end with a double bar line.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Saviour Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

**SENDING SONG Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace
RED 716**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbour as yourself!
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Dennis Kunze	Laura F Mann
Servers	Jan Neilsen Marisela McDougall	Laura B Mann Michelle Normandin
Reader	Judy Rogers	Judy Rogers
Greeters		Bill & Jette Thomas
Ushers	Steve Ricketts Ann Sanders	Jan Neilsen Dennis Kunze
AV booth	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Christine Morrison Volunteers	Jan Neilsen, Penny Richards, Carole Mozauritis
Counters	Sandra Christie Bill Clatworthy	Laura F Mann Ann Sanders
Flowers		
Coffee Hour	Marilyn Coleman	

We pray for:

ACC The Bishop, clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon.

ELCIC Bishop Kathy Martin, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod.

Greeters: If you can help with this important hospitality ministry in September, please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509, let the office know, or SIGN UP in the narthex! (we're trying something new!) *Thank you.*

Ushers Needed!! Please give some thought to helping out in this ministry within our church. Training is provided. Ushers are needed for **September.** Please contact Jan Nielsen. Cell: 519-716-3859 Email: jannielsen@rogers.com

Silvercreek Community Market: We currently have 270 families registered so please consider buying the specific items listed below — for September we need **school snacks, peanut butter, canned fruit & vegetables. Also, we are out of rice and lentils!** *We do not need any plastic bread tabs but are running low on reuseable grocery bags. Thank you.*

Aid for Gaza

There are different ways to help—the information from Kairos was printed in *Connections*. Consider writing a letter or email to the Prime Minister.



Alongside Hope

<https://alongsidehope.org>



**Canadian Lutheran
World Relief**

<https://donate.clwr.org>

Also—Canadian Lutheran World Relief and Alongside Hope (PWRDF) are accepting donations to provide Humanitarian Relief. You can access their websites to make a donation or add it to your offering envelope on the "Other" line.

There are many things happening in September—mark these dates on your calendar!

Sept. 17—Faith Forum is back! The Rev. Canon John Wilker-Blakley will be leading the discussion on Celtic spirituality, history and theology. Join us at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Sept. 21—Anniversary Sunday & Outdoor Worship

Service—if the weather co-operates we hope to hold the 10:00 a.m. service outside in our outdoor worship space. We are also celebrating our All Saints Anniversary with a potluck lunch at 11:30! There will be cake!

Sept. 27—Fall Ham Dinner—sign up in the Narthex! Bring your family and friends for an evening of good food and fellowship. Tickets are available from Marilyn Coleman, Ena Sookraj or Marilyn Bleach Schranz.

Sept. 28—Orange Shirt Sunday—please consider wearing something orange that day as we recognize the impact of the residential school system on Indigenous communities. We are also hosting another **Caring Conversation at 1:30** in the afternoon, everyone is welcome to attend!

Sept. 29—Book Study—Valley of the Bird Tail—7:00 p.m. in the Narthex. Several copies of the book are available to borrow



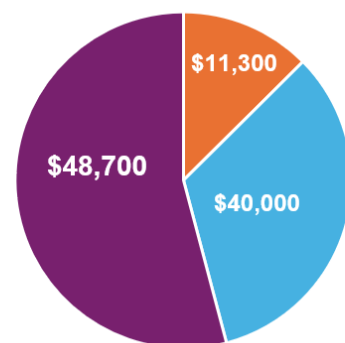
Our heating and cooling system (HVAC) system is feeling it's age...some 40+ years old. This has affected worship on Sundays, the organ, and others who use our space on a daily basis. In addition, our monthly energy bills have taken a upward climb. Despite multiple attempts by the professionals to adjust and patch the system, the time has come to invest in a new system which would provide for greater efficiencies and longevity.

Church Council has approved the replacement of both the main unit and electronics. The total projected cost of this is upwards of **\$90,000.00**.

Despite this projected funding to the HVAC replacement, we are very conscious of the strain on these existing funds in looking to the future.

Thus, we are launching a congregational campaign to raise funds

HVAC Fundraising Tracker



Donations Pledged (\$40,000) Amount needed

for this project. We hope you will join with us in this specific effort.

Donations to this project can be given in two ways:

- cash or cheque in an offering envelope marked **HVAC Fund** in the **Other** line.
- email transfer to the church through your bank's website/account. The church email is allsaints@allsaintsguelph.ca. Please write **HVAC Fund** on the memo line.

If you have further questions or require specific help with this, please contact the church office at 519-821-7710 or email allsaints@allsaintsguelph.ca. Alternatively speak to Brian Janzen. **Thank you!**

LOOKING AHEAD: August 31—September 7

Wednesday 3	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Thursday 4	9:00 a.m.— 3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Markets, Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice, Nave
Sunday 7	8:30 a.m.	Season of Creation 1 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Season of Creation 1 Holy Communion—Nave



Organist

Peter West

Staff

Michele Altermann
Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday
9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.