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With God's grace, the faith community of All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church in Guelph Ontario welcomes you.



We endeavour to be in right relationship with our Indigenous neighbours.  
We strive for racial equity.  
We welcome people of any age, gender identity and expression, race, colour and sexual orientation.  
We welcome people facing physical or mental challenges, those suffering under addictions, single people and those in any relationship.  
Our doors are open to people of uncertain faith or deep faith, from any or no religious tradition.



**All are truly welcome.**



***We welcome all children*** to our worship. Children need to remain with their families during worship. There is no Sunday Church School at this time. Please ask the ushers for a children's bulletin!

***Communion: All are welcome.*** Please let an usher know if you need to take Communion in your seat.

***No Scents Makes Good Sense.***

Members have indicated that they suffer discomfort from perfumes, hair spray, colognes and after-shave lotion. Please help us provide a scent-free environment.

# EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Sunday, August 4, 2022.

## GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Prelude - Specter, Jake Kaufman and Manami Matsumae  
Have No Fear, Little Flock, arr. Valerie Shields  
Blessed Assurance, arr. Michael Hassell  
and Glenn Wonacott

Welcome

Acknowledgment 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 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.

Gathering Song - **Beautiful Saviour # 838 (Red)**

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.**

## Hymn of Praise



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Most High God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## WORD

### *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

First Reading – *Genesis 15:1-6*

*God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars.*

*The reading:* <sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Word of God. Word of life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 33:12-22

- <sup>12</sup> Happy is the nation whose God | is the LORD!  
Happy the people chosen to | be God’s heritage!
- <sup>13</sup> **The LORD looks | down from heaven,  
and sees all | humankind.**
- <sup>14</sup> God sits firmly en- | throned and watches  
all who dwell | on the earth.
- <sup>15</sup> **God fashions | all their hearts  
and observes | all their deeds.**
- <sup>16</sup> A king is not saved by the size | of the army,  
nor are warriors rescued by | their great strength.
- <sup>17</sup> **The horse gives vain | hope for victory;  
despite its great strength it | cannot save.**
- <sup>18</sup> Truly, your eye is upon those who fear | you, O LORD,  
upon those who wait for your | steadfast love,  
<sup>19</sup> **to deliver their | lives from death,  
and to keep them alive in | time of famine.**
- <sup>20</sup> Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD,  
our helper | and our shield.
- <sup>21</sup> **Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you,  
for in your holy name we | put our trust.**
- <sup>22</sup> Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,  
even as we place our | hope in you.

## Second Reading – *Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16*

<sup>1</sup> Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup> Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. <sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

<sup>8</sup> By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup> By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup> For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. <sup>11</sup> By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup> Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

<sup>13</sup> All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, <sup>14</sup> for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup> If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup> But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

*Repeat alleluia*

## Gospel Reading – *Luke 12:32-40*

The holy gospel according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>32</sup> “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup> Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near, and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<sup>35</sup> “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup> be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup> Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup> If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

<sup>39</sup> “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The gospel of Christ.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

### Hymn of the Day – Faith Begins by Letting Go

1 Faith be - gins by let - ting go, giv - ing up what had seemed sure,  
2 Faith en - dures by hold - ing on, keep - ing mem - 'ry's roots a - live  
3 Faith ma - tures by reach - ing out, stretch - ing minds, en - larg - ing hearts,

tak - ing risks and press - ing on, though the way feels less se - cure:  
so that hope may bear its fruit; prom - ise - fed, our souls will thrive,  
shar - ing strug - gles, liv - ing prayer, bind - ing up the bro - ken parts;

pil - grim - age both right and odd, trust - ing all our life to God.  
not through mer - it we pos - sess but by God's great faith - ful - ness.  
till we find the com - mon - place ripe with wit - ness to God's grace.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the bass line.

## Prayers

Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

Let your lovingkindness be upon your church. Fill all who proclaim the gospel with your Spirit. Equip your flock to speak your word of promise and hope in the midst of fear and uncertainty. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon your creation. Dwell among us and sustain our earthly home. In places of famine, provide nourishment. In places of plenty, fashion us to be good stewards of your bounty. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon your world. Be our helper and our shield in places torn by strife and violence, especially in Ukraine, Yemen, and Ethiopia. Raise up courageous leaders to govern with compassion and justice. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon your children. Look upon all who wait for your steadfast love. Console those who grieve and embrace those who cry out to you. Help us to trust your promise and not be afraid. We pray especially for Dorothy, Deacon Chris, David, Bill, Dale, Benito ... Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be upon All Saints. Fashion our hearts to strive for the way of peace. Strengthen our outreach ministries and all who care for those in need. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

With thanksgiving we remember all who have died in faith and now rest in you. As they placed their hope in you, so strengthen us to trust in your promise of new life. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.  
**Amen.**

### Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful Creator,  
**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 holy name. Amen**

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

### Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always  
**And also with you.**

### MEAL

***God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.***

**Offertory: Here is Bread # 483 (Red) verse 1 and chorus only**

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, he is with us  
Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here

*In this bread there is healing  
In this cup there's life forever  
In this moment, by the Spirit  
Christ is with us here*

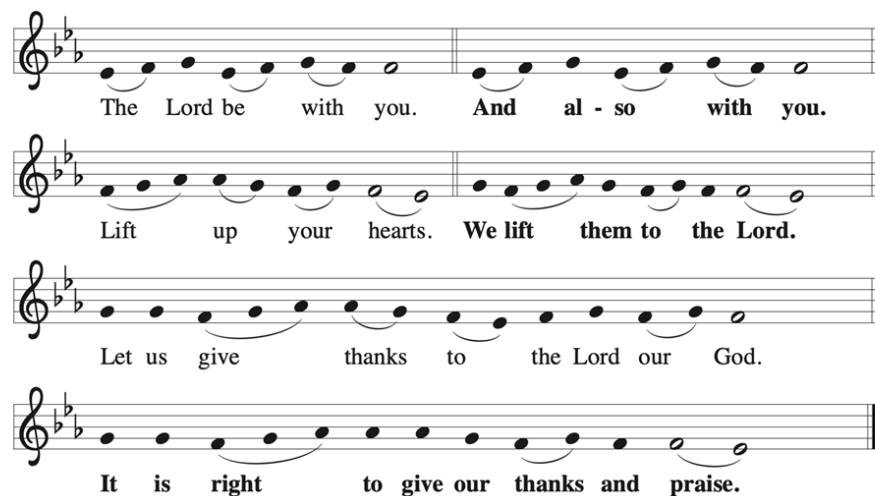
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### Offering Prayer

Let us pray:

God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is sure. Word and water, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Receive the gifts we bring, and nourish us to proclaim your abiding love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. **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

... with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Eucharistic 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 to form us again into one.

On 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 Church, both 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.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

### Spiritual Communion

*For those who may feel uncomfortable coming forward to receive communion at the altar, here is a prayer of "Spiritual Communion" that might work for you:*

Jesus, I believe that you are present with us in the sacrament of bread and wine. I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life. Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself to you; never let me be separated from you. Amen.

### Communion Hymns

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.



**Bless the Lord, My Soul**

**# 360 (Blue)**

**Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness # 78 (Blue)**

Table Blessing

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

**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.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, we have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word and to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Announcements

**SENDING**

***God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.***

Benediction

God, the Source of glory,  
God, the Word of life,  
God, the Spirit of truth  
✠ bless you all, now and forever.

**Amen.**

Sending Song – **Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go**  
**# 467 (Blue)**

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God**

Postlude - Wir Danken Dir, Herr Jesu Christ, J. S. Bach

***Offerings can be placed in the trays at the back of the pews until we can pass plates again.***

***Please take this bulletin home with you for recycling. Thank you***

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## Announcements and Information

### ***We pray for:***

**ACC** The Rt. Rev. Helen Kennedy, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle

**ELCIC** The dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

**Altar Guild for August:** Thank you to Laura F Mann and volunteers

**Coffee Hour:** Thank you to Pearl Robinson and Marilyn Coleman for hosting today. Please sign up in the Narthex if you wish to host on another Sunday.

Huxley Phillips is looking to help people with their household chores and earn some pocket money. He is available to help out with indoor and outdoor cleaning, tidying, re-organizing and general chores. He can also help with pet sitting. He can get into small (spider-free) spaces, but he can't help with heavy lifting and dog-walking. If you are interested in hiring him, please call 519-836-4321.

### ***Assisting Ministers, Servers & Ushers needed:***

Please give some thought to helping out in this ministry within our church. Training is provided. Please let the office know if you are interested/ available. Thank you.

**Silvercreek Community Market:** We continue to need peanut butter, breakfast cereal, pasta sauce, and rice.

**Global Relief:** There is an ongoing need for food support in many parts of the world due to war, drought and global supply chain challenges. There are many who hunger and your support can make a difference. Please make a donation through the church office, or online at [pwrdf.org](http://pwrdf.org) or [clwr.org](http://clwr.org). Thank you.

## **LOOKING AHEAD: Aug 7– Aug 14**

Wednesday 10	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
	1:00 p.m.	Creative Crafting Rose Head Hall
Sunday 14	8:30 a.m.	Pentecost 10 Holy Communion - Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Pentecost 10 Holy Communion - Nave

### **Organist**

Peter West

### **Staff**

Michele Altermann  
Administrative Assistant

### **Church Summer Office Hours**

Wednesday and Thursday  
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.