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Listen to the Voice of creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022

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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.

SEASON OF CREATION 4

Sunday, September 25, 2022.

GATHERING

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

Prelude - Movie theme, Jerry Goldsmith Christ, Be Our Light, arr. Anne Krentz Organ Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life, arr. Timothy Shaw

Choir Anthem – Creator Open Our Hearts, Andrew Birling

Welcome

Acknowledgment of Territory

Guelph is located on the ancestral lands of the Attawandaron/Chonnonton, the Anishinaabe, and Haudenosaunee peoples and the treaty lands and territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We recognize the significance of the Dish with One Spoon Covenant to this land and offer our respect and gratitude to all of the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island who have stewarded, loved & defended this land for centuries.

In stating this, we acknowledge that we are here as a result of blood that has been shed through colonization, which continues to be the lived experience of Indigenous communities across Turtle Island. Colonialism is a current ongoing process, and we need to be accountable for our present participation in that process.

(Adapted from OPRIG Guelph for Environmental and Social Justice)

Introit (Psalm 19:1-4)

Low voices: The heavens declare the glory of God;

the skies proclaim the work of God's hands.

High voices: Day after day they pour forth speech;

night after night they reveal knowledge.

All: Listen to creation declare the glory of

God, listen to God's Word in scripture.

Low voices: They have no speech; they use no words;

they are not heard.

High voices: Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,

their words to the ends of the world.

All: Listen to creation declare the glory of

God, listen to God's Word in scripture.

Gathering Song - Gather Us In # 532 (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



Anniversary Dialog

Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord! **Praise the Lord! Give thanks to God!**

God has blessed us and brought us to this time. God has blessed us and brought us to this place.

The name of God dwells in our midst.

God has stirred our hearts and made us glad.

The glory of God's mighty words is declared to us.

The way of God's truth and life is revealed to us.

Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord! **Praise the Lord!** Give thanks to God!

For five years, God has nurtured and fed us. For five years, God has shown us his grace.

For five years, God has been revealed in Word and Sacrament.

For five years, God has empowered us with the Holy Spirit.

For five years, we have witnessed to God's love among us. For five years, God has placed us in loving fellowship with one another.

Praise the Lord for these five years!

Praise the Lord for evermore! Oh, praise the name of the Lord!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O God, through Christ you have promised to be with your church forever. We give you thanks for the people and clergy of St. David and St. Patrick Anglican Church, and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, who had the faith to see that you were doing something new in their midst, and brought them together to form this congregation of All Saints as a sign of your presence in this community. Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example of your grace to all we encounter as individuals and as a community of faith. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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

First Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

¹The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. ² At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, 3a where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. ⁶ Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came to me: 7 Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." 8 Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the LORD, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

⁹ And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. ¹⁰ I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. ¹¹Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; 12 and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. ¹³ In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, ¹⁴ Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. 15 For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16



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- ¹You who dwell in the shelter of | the Most High, who abide in the shadow of | the Almighty—
- ² you will say to the LORD, "My refuge | and my stronghold, my God in whom I | put my trust."
- ³ For God will rescue you from the snare | of the hunter and from the | deadly plague.
- ⁴God's wings will cover you, and you will find ref - | uge beneath them; God's faithfulness will be your shield | and defense. R

- ⁵ You shall not fear any terror | in the night, nor the arrow that | flies by day;
- ⁶ nor the plague that stalks | in the darkness, nor the sickness that lays | waste at noon.
- ¹⁴ I will deliver those who | cling to me; I will uphold them, because they | know my name.
- ¹⁵They will call me, and I will | answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and | honor them.
- ¹⁶ With long life will I | satisfy them, and show them | my salvation. **R**

Second Reading – 1 Timothy 6:6-19

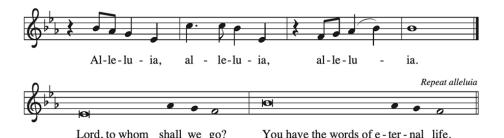
⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel Reading - Luke 16:19-31

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹ "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far

away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷ He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—28 for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' 29 Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' 30 He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Hymn of the Day – **Light Dawns on a Weary World** # 726 (Red)

Prayers

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence

O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower all followers of Jesus by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favourable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, and coastlines. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

hear our prayer.

As our nation marks a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation this Friday, give us humble hearts and open ears that we might hear the voices of indigenous peoples near and far that have been silenced by genocide, murder, and ignorance and that we might respond with understanding, justice, and love. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those who are ill. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Deacon Chris, Carol, David, Benito, Dale, Bill, and those we name before you in our hearts... (brief silence...). And we pray for the family of Dorothy Herron who will lay her body to rest tomorrow morning. Be present with them throughout this difficult time. God of grace,

We give thanks to you for the members and the ministry of All Saints: for those who had the vision to bring two

churches together and begin this congregation, those who continue to support and sustain us today, and those who will carry its mission forward into the future. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

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: Earth and All Stars # 731 (Red) Fourth verse and refrain only

Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes! Sing to the Lord a new song! Athlete and band! Loud cheering people! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain*

Refrain

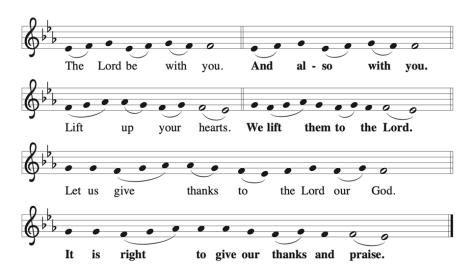
God has done marvelous things. I too sing praises with a new song!

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



Preface

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

Sanctus



Eucharistic Prayer

O God before time, O God at the end, we delight in the splendor of your universe. Daily we laud your continuing creation, and we give thanks for all the paths of faith that have brought us together at this time and in this place. We glorify you, now and forever.

O God of the covenant, O God of the church, we hear you speaking to centuries of your people. We come as your children to this table, and we give thanks for your presence among all your people throughout the world. We praise you, now and forever.

You came as Jesus, our wisdom, our guide, embodying forgiveness, granting us grace, setting us free, dying for sin, and rising up again for the life of the world. **We worship you, now and forever.**

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 his death, we cry out Amen. **Amen.** Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen. **Amen.** Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen. **Amen.**

Come, Holy Spirit, and make here the body of Christ. Breathe onto this food, that it bring us your life. Empower your people throughout the world to preach and teach, baptize and feed, pray and sing, comfort and heal. By your Spirit, preserve what is faithful; reform what we treasure; create in us what is vital and new.

We honour you, now and forever.

O God before time, O God at the end, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we laud you. Glory and praise, blessing and worship, honour and power and might be to you, our God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Lifegiver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

(Adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa for the 2022 Season of Creation Curriculum. This version of the Lord's prayer was influenced by Maori theologians)

Invitation to Communion

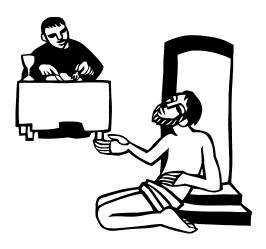
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

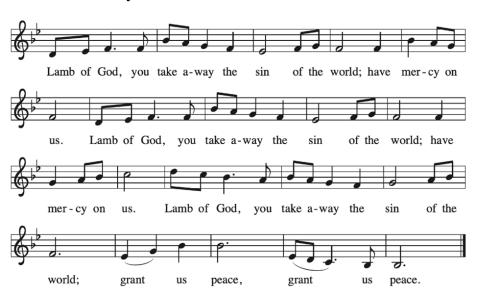
Spiritual Communion

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



Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works

407 (Blue)
Confitemini Domino # 402 (Blue)

Table Blessing

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

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.**

SENDING

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

Benediction

May God who established the dance of creation, Who marveled at the lilies of the field, Who transforms chaos to order, Lead us to transformed lives, Listening to the voice of all creatures, That reflect God's glory in creation.

(adapted from the CTBI Eco-Congregation Programme)

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 – Draw the Circle Wide # 418 (Blue)

Dismissal

Go forth in peace and with the courage of faith. Love God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbour as yourself.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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

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

Announcements and Information

We pray for:

ACC The Bishop, clergy, and people of The Territory of the People

ACC/ELCIC Every child matters. Remember the Indigenous children who did not return home from residential school. For survivors and their families. For truth, healing and reconciliation.

Altar Guild for September: Thank you to Jan Nielsen, Penny Richards and volunteers.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to Deborah Szymanski-Potts, Penny Richards, Sheila Chappel, Judy Rogers and Marilyn Coleman for hosting the Anniversary Coffee Hour today. Please sign up in the Narthex if you wish to host on another Sunday.

Name Tags: If anyone does not have a new name tag please contact the office by email or phone. Please include your pronouns preferences in your message. Thank you.

The Tai Chi Group has full enrollment at this time. If you would like to join the group check back later in the fall, or go to the Guelph Tai Chi For Health website and complete the Contact Form (https://guelphtaichiforhealth.ca/contact-2/) indicating that you would like to be added to the waiting list. New spaces will likely open up later this fall.

Silvercreek Community Market: We continue to need peanut butter, breakfast cereal, pasta sauce, lentils and rice. Thank you for your support during our September Food Drive month and all year long. Your faithful support makes a difference in the lives or our food insecure neighbours.

Global Relief: There is an ongoing need for food support in many parts of the world due to war, floods 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 or clwr.org. Thank you.

Committee Chairs: A reminder to all committee/team chairs to let the office know the dates/times for **all meetings**, even if they are *via Zoom*. Thank you.

Ecumenical Campus Ministry at the University of Guelph: Classes are well underway on campus, and that means that the Ecumenical Campus Ministry is offering a full slate of programs and opportunities for UofG students to grow in faith. This term, ECM regular programs include...

Community Dinners - Every Wednesday, 5:30pm-7pm (various locations)

Vespers Worship - Every Thursday, 5:30pm-6:30pm (Raithby House)

Labyrinth Prayer - Every Friday, 11am-1pm (Athletic Centre 3213)

Friday Drop-in - Every Friday, 1pm-2pm (various locations)

To receive more info about these events or any of the other programs ECM offers (like retreats, small groups, etc.), follow ECM on Instagram (@ECMguelph) or email <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.org/10.1001/journal.or

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LOOKING AHEAD: Sept. 26 - Oct. 2

Monday 26	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Parlour/ Zoom
Tuesday 27	3:00 p.m.	Hymn Selection Committee Parlour
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Forum via Zoom
Wednesday 28	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
	1:30 p.m.	Creative Crafting Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee meeting via Zoom
Thursday 29	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice Nave
Saturday 1	10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.	Booktoberfest - Children's Reading Room Book Faire Rose Head Hall
Sunday 2	8:30 a.m.	Trinity 16 Holy Communion - Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Season of Creation 5 Holy Communion - Nave
	12:30 p.m.	Blessing of the Animals Outside at the back

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Peter West

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Church Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.