#### **LOOKING AHEAD: May 20 - May 26**

Tues. 21	5:00 pm	Fellowship Hall – Men's Fellowship
Wed. 22	9:30 am	Sunday Bulletin Announcement
		Deadline
Fri. 24	9:00 am	Scrapbooking – Choir Room
Sun. 26	8:30 am	Easter 6
		– Holy Communion
		– Sanctuary
	10:00	Easter 6
	am	– Holy Communion
		– Sanctuary
		– Sunday School
	11:30	Mutual Ministry Mtg. – Room A
	am	_

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#### **WELCOME**

We welcome you to our worship today.

### Hymnbooks:

Our community uses two hymnbooks.

**(ELW)** Evangelical Lutheran Worship has a cranberry cover.

(CP) Common Praise has a blue cover.

You will find either **(ELW)** or **(CP)** beside each hymn number to indicate which book we are singing from.

#### Communion: All are welcome.

We make available grape juice and gluten free bread. Please inform one of the Communion Servers that you wish to have one or both of these elements during the distribution of Communion.

**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

We welcome all children to our worship. We also have a child friendly space in the fellowship area at the back of the church. Drink boxes, activity bags and youth bulletins are in a basket near the entrance to the church. Please help yourself.

#### Acknowledgement of Territory

We are on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinabe, Mississauga and Metis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to be here today.

## Sunday, May 19, 2019

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

Prelude – Where Charity and Love Prevail arr. Nancy Raabe

Welcome

**Acknowledgement of Territory** 

Processional Hymn – At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
# 207 (CP)

# Greeting

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

And also with you.





O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, 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 Lesson – Acts 11: 1 – 18

A reading from Acts.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air.

I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered

from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148



Psalm 148:13
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<sup>1</sup>Hallelujah! Praise the Lord| from the heavens; praise God | in the heights.

<sup>2</sup>Praise the Lord, | all you angels; sing praise, all you | hosts of heaven.

<sup>3</sup>Praise the Lord, | sun and moon; sing praise, all you | shining stars.

<sup>4</sup>Praise the Lord, heav- | en of heavens, and you waters a- | bove the heavens.

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name | of the Lord, who commanded, and they | were created,

<sup>6</sup>who made them stand fast forev- | er and ever, giving them a law that shall not | pass away. R

<sup>7</sup>Praise the Lord| from the earth, you sea monsters | and all deeps;

<sup>8</sup>fire and hail, | snow and fog, tempestuous wind, do- | ing God's will;

9mountains | and all hills,

fruit trees | and all cedars;

<sup>10</sup>wild beasts | and all cattle, creeping things and | flying birds;

<sup>11</sup>sovereigns of the earth | and all peoples, princes and all rulers | of the world;

<sup>12</sup>young | men and maidens,

old and | young together. R

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name | of the Lord, whose name only is exalted, whose splendor

is over | earth and heaven.

14The Lord has raised up strength for the people
and praise for all | faithful servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near
the Lord. | Hallelujah! R

Psalm Prayer

Second Lesson – Revelation 21: 1-6

A reading from Revelation.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

# Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Acclamation**



Gospel Reading – *John 13: 31 – 35* 

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

or

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I

said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

or

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day – I Come with Joy # 60 (CP)

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

**Prayers of Intercession** 

Trusting God's promise of new life, we pray for the renewal of the church, the world, and all of creation.

Send your Holy Spirit upon your church, especially the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, the Anglican Church of Canada and other faith communities throughout the world. Awaken in us renewed commitment to our baptismal promises: to build community, to worship together, to share our faith, to serve others, and to work for justice and peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Forgive us for the ways we have caused creation to suffer. Inspire creativity as we explore new ways of reducing our consumption of earth's resources. Restore forests and waterways. Replenish the habitats of all endangered and threatened species. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Call all nations to the repentance that leads to life. Empower legislators to craft laws reflecting your commandments to love and serve. Bless police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and first responders who put themselves at risk to care for others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Make your home among us and shelter us from storms of death, mourning, crying, and pain. Draw near to those who weep and to those who are lonely. Restore health and wholeness to those who suffer *(especially)*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We give you thanks for those who carry out the ministry of hospitality: greeters, ushers, those who make coffee and bake cookies, all who welcome newcomers and care for children, and all who extend a hand of peace to neighbours. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You promise new life for all the faithful departed (especially). Renew us in faith and hope until the day death is no more, when you will dwell with us in the new heaven and earth. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God. Come near to us with your saving help, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen 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.

Offering / Choir Anthem – Shine Like the Sun arr. Karen Black

Offering Hymn – Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ # 674 (ELW)

# Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

#### Amen.

**Great Thanksgiving** 

The Lord be with you.

And also 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their ending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy



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

...And let the church say, Amen. **Amen.** 

...And let the church say, Amen. **Amen.** 



Lord's Prayer

# **Eucharistic Prayer**

...proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



# Invitation to Communion Taste and see that the Lord is good. Thanks be to God.

#### Lamb of God



## **Communion Hymns**

# 656 (ELW) – Blessed Be the Tie That Binds
# 777 (ELW) – Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty
# 359 (ELW) – Where Charity and Love Prevail
# 388 (ELW) – Be Not Afraid

# **Table Blessing**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

#### Amen.

# **Prayer after Communion**

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

#### **SENDING**

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

# Blessing

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.

#### Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favour and + give you peace.

Amen.

Announcements

Sending Song – In Christ There Is No East or West # 484 (CP)

Dismissal

Go in peace...

Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

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# **Announcements and Information**

Greeters: Betty Fell & Edna Andrew

May Altar Guild: Karen Webb & Liz Harloff

We pray for: Anglican Church of Canada – Bishop Michael Oulton, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Ontario. Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada – Bishop Syd Haugen, people, and rostered ministers of the Saskatchewan Synod.

**Coffee hour** today is hosted by Bill Clatworthy. We offer him thanks for supporting this important ministry.

*On Sunday June 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.* everyone is invited to the church's annual outdoor worship service and picnic. More information coming soon. Please note, there will be no 8:30 a.m. service.

All articles for the *June Connections* are due today, please submit articles to Christine Morrison (Box # 44) <a href="mailto:cjmorrison263@gmail.com">cjmorrison263@gmail.com</a>.

**Afghan Sunday:** All Saints has a tradition of honouring all our young people graduating from high school by giving each person a hand-made afghan blanket at a special service known as Afghan Sunday planned for **June 9**. If you know someone graduating high school please submit their name to the church office by 1:00 p.m. on Friday, May 31st.

Church Sign – Donations towards the new sign are progressing nicely. We now have approximately \$9,165.00 in donations. Please consider giving so that All Saints Church has a presence in the surrounding community. Simply make out a cheque, post-dated to June 30 and clearly marked "Sign". Put it in your giving envelope, then place it on the offering plate. Tax

receipts will be provided. Questions can be addressed to any Council Member.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Grand River Area Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 2, 2019 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church located at 317 Franklin St N, Kitchener, ON N2A 1Y9. Gathering time is 10:00 a.m. with Holy Communion service at 10:30, this will be followed by a picnic. All members are encouraged to attend the worship service and picnic, and meet people from our neighbouring churches. National Bishop Susan Johnson of the ELCIC will be preaching.

8:30 am – Communion Service at All Saints 10:30 am – Service at St. Luke's Lutheran Church