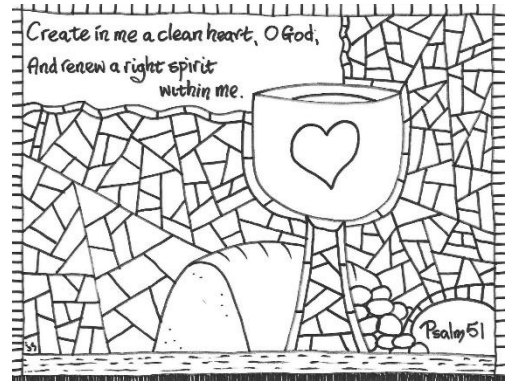


September 14, 2025

Season of Creation 2

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 Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise
RED 834**

OPENING RESPONSES

We come to this service to God
In our need, and bringing with us the needs of the world.

We come to God, who has come to us in Jesus
And who walks with us the road of our world's suffering.

We come with our faith and with our doubts
We come with our hopes and with our fears.

We come as we are, because it is God who invites us to come
And God has promised never to turn us away.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in you, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen**

CONFESSION

Holy God, maker of the skies above, lowly Christ, born amidst the growing earth, spirit of life, wind over the flowing waters, in earth, sea and sky, you are there.

O hidden mystery, sun behind all suns, soul behind all souls, in everything we touch, in everyone we meet, your presence is round us, and we give you thanks.

When we have not touched, but trampled you in creation, when we have not met but missed you in one another, forgive us, and hear now our plea for mercy.

ABSOLUTION

The Creator of the world watches over you in your waking and your sleeping;

The Saviour of the world ransoms himself for your sins and for your eternal life;

The Spirit of the world dwells within you to guide you and keep you safe;

The God of love and mercy grants you the grace of pardon, wholeness and peace, through Jesus Christ. **Amen**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Come, Father of the poor
come, Light of our hearts,
come, generous Spirit,
by the glory of your creation around us,
by the comfort of your forgiveness within us,
by the wind of your Spirit
eddy through the years within these walls,
renew us, so that we come glad to this celebration. **Amen**

God, holy:
God, strong and holy,
God, holy and deathless,
have mercy on us.

KYRIE *(Choir)*

CHOIR ANTHEM

Ubi Caritas, Audrey Snyder

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be glad in Him.
Let us fear and love the living God.
And let us love one another with a sincere heart.*

FIRST READING: Exodus 32:7-14

While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people.

⁷ The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸ they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' "

⁹ The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰ Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation."

¹¹ But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'?

Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' "

¹⁴ And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

God's Word for our journey.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 51:1-10

(Sung antiphonally by whole verse between the choir and the congregation.)



Have mer - cy on me, O God, ac - cord - ing to your stead - fast love.

- ¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.
- ² **Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,
and cleanse me | from my sin.**
- ³ For I know | my offenses,
and my sin is ev - | er before me.
- ⁴ **Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil | in
your sight;
so you are justified when you speak and right | in your
judgment. R**
- ⁵ Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness,
a sinner from my | mother's womb.
- ⁶ **Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me,
and would have me know wisdom | deep within.**
- ⁷ Remove my sins with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be pur - | er than snow.
- ⁸ **Let me hear | joy and gladness;
that the body you have broken | may rejoice.**
- ⁹ Hide your face | from my sins,
and blot out | all my wickedness.
- ¹⁰ **Create in me a clean | heart, O God,
and renew a right spir - | it within me. R**

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

The letters to Timothy and Titus are called the pastoral epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

¹² I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful and appointed me to his service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience as an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN

Amazing Grace

RED 779

(The congregation remains seated)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

The holy gospel of our Lord according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.' ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

This is the gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



HOMILY

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God above us,
Maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth,
of male and female.**

**We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
born of a woman's womb, servant of the poor.
He was tortured and nailed to a cross.
A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.
He descended in the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present,
and his kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church,
Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of resurrection and of life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

O Christ, Word made flesh, Light in the darkness, we lift our prayers before you.

For your holy church in every land, that we may walk in the ancient paths of faith, keep the fire of your gospel alight, and be a beacon of peace and hospitality.
Christ, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For the earth, your first gift to us, the seas and skies,
mountains and meadows, and every creature that bears
your breath, that we may learn again to walk gently, to
cherish the beauty of creation, and to heal the wounds we
have made to the land, water, and air.

Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the nations of the world, their leaders and peoples, that
swords may be turned to ploughshares, justice roll down like
rivers, and peace come on earth as it is in heaven. We pray
especially for those who suffer because of those who seek to
profit or glorify themselves through war and violence, such
as in Ukraine, Gaza, and Sudan.

Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the sick and sorrowing, the weary and the broken-
hearted, that your hand of comfort and your cross of hope
may uphold them, and your Spirit bring them healing. We
pray especially for: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Werner
and Debbie, John and Julianna, Ross and Karen, Ken and
Matzi, Andrew, Alice, Irene, Karen, Mary, Kathryn, Kelly,
John and Laura, Juan and Anita, Bill, Micah, Rosemary, for
the Wenzel-Losada families that are mourning the passing of
Marisela's cousin Guillermo, and those we name before you
in our hearts. (*silence...*).

Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For this worshipping community, gathered in your name,
that in prayer and song, in bread and cup, we may find our
lives knit together, and learn to see your presence in each
other.

Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the saints who have gone before us, the cloud of witnesses whose prayers still rise with ours, that we may walk in their footsteps until we see your face.

Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

O Christ, who holds heaven and earth in your wounded hands, receive our prayers and bind them to your own eternal intercession, and teach us to pray together:

**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**

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all!

And also with you.

OFFERTORY God the Creator BLUE 445

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

Blessed are you, O Lord our God and creator.
Through your mercy you have blessed us with these gifts.
With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of the One who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

At the last supper Jesus, sharing bread and wine, invited the disciples to share his journey. Like many grains of wheat becoming one loaf of bread, the disciples were invited to become one body with him.

Here, through bread and wine, we renew our journey with Jesus and his disciples.

Here, through bread and wine, we renew our unity with the earth and our interwovenness with the broken ones of the world.

So come, taste of this bread and wine, gifts of the earth, work of human hands, food both of earth and of heaven.

Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread, and, having blessed it, he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying, "This is my body which is given for you."

In the same way he took the wine, and, having given thanks for it, he poured it out and gave the cup to his disciples, saying, "This cup is the new relationship with God, sealed with my blood. Take this and share it. I shall drink wine with you next in the coming Reign of God."

So now, following Jesus' example, we take this bread and wine, the ordinary things of the world through which God blesses us. And, as Jesus offered thanks for the gifts of the earth, let us also celebrate God's goodness.

Lord Jesus Christ present with us now, as we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room long ago, breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine, that they may be heaven's food and drink for us, renewing, sustaining and making us whole, and that we may be your body on earth, loving and caring in the world.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Many grains were gathered together to make this bread.
Many grapes were mixed to make this wine.
So we, who are many, are one in Christ.

Here is bread for the journey and wine for the soul. All are invited to share in God's abundant gifts.
Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION HYMNS:

Lamb of God

(cantor)

1&2 Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the
3 Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the

world, world, have mer-cy on us.
grant us your peace.

(v.3 only)

Grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

Feed Us with Hunger for Justice

Optional descant

Feed us jus-tice. Feed us your peace.

Feed us with hun-ger for jus-tice. Feed us with thirst for peace.

The Tree of Life My Soul Hath Seen
Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

BLUE 488
BLUE 59

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

briskly

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked 'briskly'. The lyrics are in English and are repeated in two lines for each system. The first system of lyrics is: 'Shout for joy! The Lord has let us feast;'. The second system is: 'heaven's own fare has fed the last and least;'. The third system is: 'Christ's own peace is shared a - gain on earth;'. The fourth system is: 'God the Spi - rit fills us with new worth.' The music consists of a melody line in the soprano part and a harmonic accompaniment in the other three parts. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined for emphasis.

Shout for joy! The Lord has let us feast;

heaven's own fare has fed the last and least;

Christ's own peace is shared a - gain on earth;

Christ's own peace is shared a - gain, is shared on earth;

God the Spi - rit fills us with new worth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING PRAYER

O God our Father,

who gave to your servant Columba the gifts of courage, faith, and cheerfulness, and sent people forth from the Holy Isle of Iona to carry the word of your Gospel to every creature.

Grant, we pray, a like spirit to your Church, even at this present time.

Further in all things the purpose of this community, that hidden things may be revealed to us, and new ways found to touch the hearts of all.

May we preserve with each other sincere charity and peace, and, if it be your will, grant that this holy place of your abiding may continue still to be a sanctuary and a light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A CELTIC BLESSING

May the love of God fill you with joy and peace.

May the healing power of Christ strengthen and save you.

May the Holy Sprit encourage you.

May a thousand angels guide your steps.

And may a blessing from this holy place protect you all your days.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Go To the World



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - 'ry place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 "Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, A - men!"

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, in friendship, and in hospitality, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Michelle Normandin	Christine Morrison
Servers	Christine Morrison John Szymanski	John Szymanski Marisela McDougall
Reader	Deborah Szymanski-Potts	Sue Wakefield
Greeters	Lily Flewelling	Sheila Chappel
Ushers	Marisela McDougall Marilyn Bleach Schranz	Bonnie Lichty, Sheila Chappel, Jan Nielsen
AV booth	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Jan Neilsen, Penny Richards, Carole Mozauritis	Jan Neilsen, Penny Richards, Carole Mozauritis
Counters	Sandra Christie Ann Sanders	Christine Morrison Michelle Normandin
Flowers	Godfrey Padavatton	
Coffee Hour		Potluck lunch

We pray for:

ACC The Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon.

ELCIC The Assistant to the Bishop and staff of the British Columbia Synod.

MOR Remembering September 16 – 1741 – at a synod (legislative assembly) in London, the delegates determined that no human being would be the head of the church; by Lot, Jesus Christ was named as “Chief Elder of the Unitas Fratrum.” Today, this day is celebrated by ordained servants renewing their ordination vows in a Cup of Covenant service.

Flowers: The flowers today were grown in Godfrey's garden and are given today to the glory of God.

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.*

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **September 21, 2025**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Silvercreek Community Market: Please consider buying the specific items listed below — for October we need **canned meat/fish, soup, cooking oil. 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.*

ECM Scotch Tasting: *"The proper drinking of Scotch whisky is more than indulgence: it is a toast to civilization, a tribute to the continuity of culture, a manifesto of mankind's determination to use the resources of nature to rise above the natural."* — David Daiches

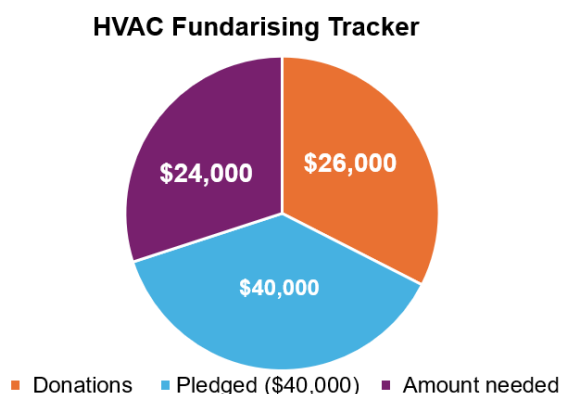
Support our contribution to ECM. **SIGN Up Now for the Scotch Tasting on Oct. 25, 2025 from 2-5 p.m.,** or contact Canon Bill.

Parish Care Workshops: As you may have read in *Connections*, Marilyn Bleach-Schranz has decided to step down from organizing the Parish Care Workshops that have been so informative for so many of our people. **Connie Shaw** is willing to help keep them going with the support of a small team. If you can help, please reach out to her with a phone call or email. The workshops would probably take place every other month with guest speakers from the community.

Looking for a new ministry opportunity: Many thanks to Jan Neilson for her years of service in the coordination of ushers. Jan has decided to move on and pursue other ministry opportunities. With that change, we are looking for someone to continue this leadership role. Jan was very organized and has left the position

in great hands in terms of records and assistance. The next three months are already scheduled! All this is available to you. If you are interested, please speak to Brian Janzen or the office.

Revised Church Wi-Fi Settings: With recent upgrades, access to church Wi-Fi has slightly changed. There are two networks — **All Saints Office** and **All Saints General**. The office network is very limited to that area while the All Saints General network serves the majority of the church space. The password to both networks is "E9D8C7Rogers" See Brian Janzen for any questions.



Our heating and cooling system (HVAC) system is feeling its 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 an 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 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!***

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 this 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.

On September 20, Guelph is joining communities world-wide for events on the theme **Draw the Line: for Peace, People and the Planet** (see poster in the Narthex). Citizens around the world will unite to demand decisive and urgent action from world leaders. You're invited to Royal City Park for music, speakers, children's crafts at 10 am, a rally at 11 and a march to City Hall at 12. Themes include renewable energy; indigenous sovereignty; migrant rights; and investment in people, peace and

democracy. Sponsored by a wide range of climate action and social justice groups in Guelph.

LOOKING AHEAD: September 15 – 20

Tuesday 16	5:00 p.m.	Men's Fellowship, Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 17	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
	12:00 p.m.	Women of Faith, Parlour
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Forum via Zoom
Thursday 18	9:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market, Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice, Nave
Saturday 20	1:00–5:00 pm	Eastern Star rental, Rose Head Hall
Sunday 21	8:30 a.m.	Season of Creation 2 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Season of Creation 2 Holy Communion—in our Outdoor Worship Space
	11:30 a.m.	Anniversary Potluck lunch Rose Head Hall

Organist

Peter West

Staff

Michele Altermann, Administrative Assistant

Church Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.