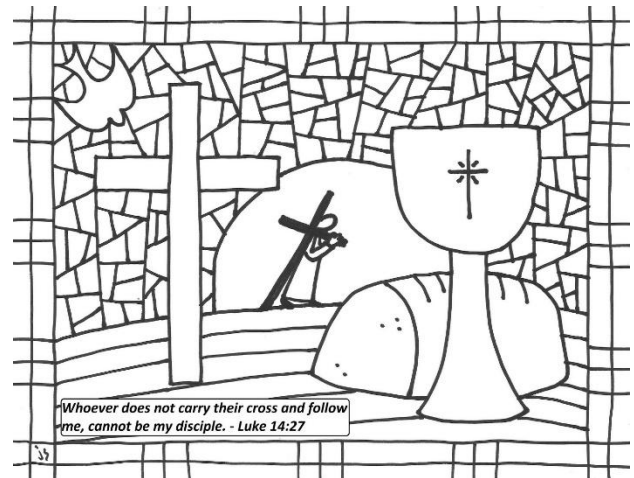


September 07, 2025
Season of Creation 1

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

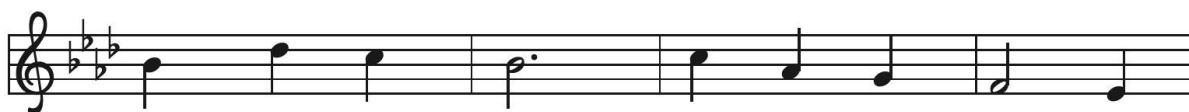
God's Work, Our Hands



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.
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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.

Direct us, O God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, 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

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses speaks to the Israelites, who are about to enter the land promised to their ancestors. In this passage, he lays out the stark choice before them: choose life by loving and obeying the LORD; or choose death by following other gods.

¹⁵“See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess.

¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall certainly perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.

¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him, for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.”

God’s Word for our journey.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1

(sung antiphonally by whole verse between the Choir and the congregation)



- ¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel | of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats | of the scornful!
- ² **Their delight is in the law | of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching | day and night. R**
- ³ They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit
in due season, with leaves that | do not wither;
everything they | do shall prosper.
- ⁴ **It is not so | with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind | blows away.**
- ⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when | judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council | of the righteous.
- ⁶ **For the LORD knows the way | of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall | be destroyed. R**

SECOND READING: Philemon 1-21

Onesimus, a new Christian and a man enslaved by Philemon, has helped Paul, who is in prison. Paul writes this letter to his friend Philemon to encourage him to receive Onesimus, upon his return, as a sibling in Christ.

- ¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To our beloved coworker Philemon, ²to our sister Apphia, to
our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church in your house:
³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, ⁵because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. ⁶I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ. ⁷I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing, ⁹yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. ¹²I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. ¹³I wanted to keep him with me so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel, ¹⁴but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. ¹⁵Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term, ¹⁶no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. ¹⁹I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. ²⁰Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. ²¹Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

God's Word for our journey.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN Crashing Waters at Creation BLUE 42

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

The holy gospel of our Lord according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus], and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³² If he cannot, then

while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace.

³³ So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

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

You are above us, O God, you are beneath.
You are in air, you are in earth,
you are beside us, you are within.
O God, you are in the betrayed and suffering people of our
world, just as you were in the broken body of Jesus.
We pray now for all that concerns us as we gather at table
together.

O Christ, we bow before you in this shelter-house of prayer
once more to give thanks. Together we gather, celebrating
your presence in creation around us, in the flowing air, and
in the fertile earth. Christ, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O Jesus, you sat at table with the betrayed and rejected of
Palestine. We pray for those today who do not feel
welcomed in their daily lives. Christ, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O Jesus, you identified with the naked and with those who
had no place to lay their heads. We pray for the thousands
of homeless men and women, old and young, in our towns
and in our cities. Christ, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O Jesus, you belonged to a refugee family. We pray for the
millions of displaced people in our world, and for the opening
of borders to the nationless. Christ, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O Jesus, you cared for your companions and for the little ones who surrounded you. We pray for the dependent ones whom God has given us to care for, especially: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Werner and Debbie, John and Julianna, Ross and Karen, Gwen and Nolan, Ken and Matzi, Andrew, Irene, Karen, Mary, Kathryn, Kelly, John and Laura, Juan and Anita, Bill, Guillermo, Micah, Rosemary, and those we name before you in our hearts. (*silence...*). Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

O Jesus, you who walk with the wounded along the road of our world's suffering, we seek your grace of healing for the broken people and places of our world. Christ, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Teach us now, O Christ, to pray as siblings 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. This 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 musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It contains a melody for the lyrics 'Feed us jus - tice. Feed us your peace.' with a fermata over the word 'peace'. The second staff also has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It contains a melody for the lyrics 'Feed us with hun-ger for jus-tice. Feed us with thirst for peace.' with a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' and a bracket.

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

RED 802

Let Justice Flow Like Streams

RED 717

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

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.

The musical score is written for four systems. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is G major (one sharp) and the time signature is 4/4. The tempo is marked 'briskly'. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system ends with a fermata over the final note. The second system ends with a fermata over the final note. The third system ends with a fermata over the final note. The fourth system ends with a double bar line.

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 Spirit 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 Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

RED 808

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	Laura F Mann	Michelle Normandin
Servers	Laura B Mann Michelle Normandin	Christine Morrison John Szymanski
Reader	Judy Rogers	Deborah Szymanski-Potts
Greeters	Bill & Jette Thomas	Lilly Flewelling
Ushers	Jan Neilsen Dennis Kunze	Marisel McDougall Marilyn Bleach Schranz
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	Laura F Mann Ann Sanders	Sandra Christie Ann Sanders
Flowers	Bill & Chris Clatworthy	
Coffee Hour	Bill & Chris Clatworthy	

We pray for:

ACC The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry

TOGETHER For the Season of Creation which continues in the month ahead and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth

Flowers: The flowers are given today by Bill and Chris Clatworthy in celebration of their 59th wedding anniversary.

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 24, 2025**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com

Silvercreek Community Market: Please consider buying the specific items listed below — for September we need **40 jars of peanut butter. 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: *"There is no bad whisky. There are only some whiskies that aren't as good as others."* — Raymond Chandler.

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 committee, and asks that, 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. Would you be interested in being part of a small committee to continue our Parish Care Workshops?

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.

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

Sept. 11—Chi Rho Fellowship will meet **Thursday September 11 at 1:00 p.m.** for an afternoon of "Fun and Games". Bring your favourite game to play with others. Cards and some games will be supplied. Refreshments follow.

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!

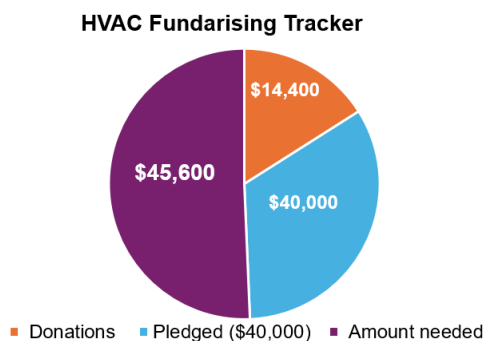
Sept. 27—Fall Ham Dinner—sign up in the Narthex! Bring your family and friends for an evening of good food and fellowship. Tickets are available from Marilyn Coleman, Ena Sookraj or Marilyn Bleach Schranz.

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.

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



In addition, our monthly energy bills have taken an upward climb. 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.**

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: September 8 — 14

Tuesday 9	9:00 a.m.	MyOwnPlace meeting, Choir Room
Wednesday 10	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to Office
Thursday 11	1:00 p.m.	Chi Rho Fellowship, Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice, Nave
Sunday 14	8:30 a.m.	Season of Creation 2 Holy Communion—Nave
	10:00 a.m.	Season of Creation 2 Holy Communion—Nave