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*Sunday, July 11, 2021
11am*

*Sixth Sunday after Trinity
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

11:00 am Choral Mattins (BCP)

This service is live-streamed and created in compliance with Diocesan guidelines (effective June 11) of having no more than ten people on site.

We wish to acknowledge that we are on the land that, at time of contact, was held by the Attawandaron as an area of trade and ceremony between two rivers.

At various times the land was occupied by both Haudenosaunee from the south and Anishnaabe from the north. In more recent times the Huron Treaty gave rights to the Mississaugas of the Credit. May we who dwell on or visit this land also be good stewards and honour those who came before us.

The love of God hath been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which was given unto us. *Romans 5.5*

Minister: Dearly beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

Minister: ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father,

All: **We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto humankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

Minister: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness, and live, hath given power and commandment to his ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins.
God pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.
Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Responses are sung.

Minister: O LORD, open thou our lips;

People: **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Minister: O God, make speed to save us;

People: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Minister: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People: **as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen.**

Minister: Praise ye the Lord;

People: **The Lord's Name be praised.**

Canticle Benedictus

(sung by quartet)

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel;
for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us,
in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets,
which have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies,
and from the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers,
and to remember his holy covenant;

To perform the oath which he swore to our forefather Abraham,
that he would grant us

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies
might serve him without fear

In holiness and righteousness before him,
all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest:
For thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people
for the remission of their sins;

Through the tender mercy of our God;
whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

Ephesians 1.3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Psalm 24 (sung by quartet)

The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is;
the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas,
and established it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?
or who shall stand in his holy place?

Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart;
and that hath not lifted up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

He shall receive a blessing from the Lord,
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek him;
even of them that seek thy face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory?
it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is the King of glory?
even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Reading Mark 6.14-29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head

on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Jubilate in E-flat minor

Herbert Howells

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands;
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise.
be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, His mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Minister: I believe in God
All: **the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Responses are sung.

Minister: The Lord be with you;

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Minister. Let us pray.

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: **OUR Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

Minister: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People: **And grant us thy salvation.**

Minister: O Lord, save the Queen;

People: **And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

People: **And make thy chosen people joyful.**

Minister: O Lord, save thy people;

People: **And bless thine inheritance.**
Minister: Give peace in our time, O Lord;
People: **And evermore mightily defend us.**
Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us;
People: **And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

Collect of the Day

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Second Collect, for Peace.

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Third Collect, for Grace.

O LORD our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn 381 (vv 1,2,5) **Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.*

Alleluia, alleluia, praise the everlasting King.

*Praise him for his grace and favour
to our forebears in distress;*

*praise him, still the same forever,
slow to chide and swift to bless;*

Alleluia, alleluia, glorious in his faithfulness.

*Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space;
Alleluia, alleluia, praise with us the God of grace.*

Homily The Most Rev'd Linda Nicholls, Primate of Canada

Anthem **Let All the World in Every Corner Sing**

Greta Tomlins

*Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing, my God and King!
The heav'ns are not too high, His praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low, His praises there may grow.*

*The Church with psalms must shout,
no door can keep them out;
but above all, the heart must bear the longest part.*

Today's anthem is our first sampling from our recently-acquired anthology featuring the work of women composers.

Closing Prayers for the church, the community, and the world.

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Grace **May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

POSTLUDE *Finale from Sonata No 5*

Felix Mendelssohn

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Pam Walker.

Contact Elaine Dightam if you would like to give flowers in memory of loved ones who have died, or in thanksgiving for an anniversary, birthday or event.

You can contact Elaine at 519-843-5091

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ANNOUNCEMENTS JULY 11, 2021

WELCOME TO OUR PRIMATE

We are honoured to welcome The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, Primate of Canada, as our guest preacher this morning.

You are invited to have coffee with the Primate on Zoom at 1:30pm today.

Archbishop Linda was installed as Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada on July 16, 2019. Previously she served the Church as Bishop of Huron (2016-2019), Area Bishop of Trent-Durham, Diocese of Toronto (2008-2016), Coordinator for Dialogue for Ethics, Interfaith Relations and Congregational Development at the national office, and almost twenty years as a parish priest in the Diocese of Toronto. With degrees in music (BMus) and education (BEd) Linda taught high school music and math at Woodstock International Christian School, India for five years before theological studies at Wycliffe College (University of Toronto) and ordination as a deacon (1985) and priest (1986). She also holds a Doctor of Ministry degree (University of Toronto, 2002).

In addition to her commitment to healthy vibrant parish communities, Linda has engaged in the renewal of the healing ministry in congregational life; ethics in healthcare; spiritual direction; national theological commissions and ecumenical dialogue. She has served as the Co-Chair of the Anglican Roman Catholic Dialogue in Canada and is a member of the third Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC III).

Linda delights in opportunities to exercise her gifts as a teacher in leading retreats and conferences. Choral singing, wilderness canoeing and walking fill her recreation time along with her duties as staff to a cat.

ST JOHN'S SUMMER CELEBRATION - JULY 6-18

We are off to a wonderful beginning last week. We had the premier feature from the Parish Choir "Unplugged," a Choral Evensong, and a guest speaker addressing the work of Canadian women making tens of thousands of quilts during WWII as part of the Canadian Red Cross Campaign.

Here's this week's events:

Today - Sunday July 11

11:00am on St John's Elora YouTube

[Archbishop Linda Nicholls](#), Primate of Canada, guest preacher.

1:30pm on Zoom.

Coffee with the Primate.

Thursday July 13

7:00pm on Zoom.

[Timothy Schmaltz](#), internationally acclaimed sculptor, takes us to his Kitchener studio to talk about his passion of sculpting and faith.

Sunday July 18

11:00am on St John's Elora YouTube.

[Dr Wendy Fletcher](#), President and Vice Chancellor of Renison University College, guest preacher.

Bonus Features: Members of the Parish Choir continue to offer a some more special musical selections as part of Parish Choir "Unplugged."

Worship services are live-streamed on the St. John's Elora YouTube Channel and mid-week guest speakers are offered on Zoom.

ST. JOHN'S POPPY PROJECT

Thank you for your response so far! To help celebrate the centennial year of the Poppy as a symbol of remembrance and peace the Knitters and Quilters are inviting you to participate in a community project. We are creating an outdoor art installation of knitted and crocheted poppies in October and November. You can participate by:

- Knitting or crocheting some poppies. Some kits are available from the bin outside at the Parish Centre side porch. Or, you can pick up a copy of the pattern from the bin and provide your own red wool. The pattern is available in the Poppy Bin on the porch of the Parish Centre and on our website.
- Spread the word so other people can participate.
- Make a donation to help with the purchase of the wool.

Contact Barb Dunsmore at gbdunsmore@gmail.com or 519-638-2146 for more information.

We are aiming for 1,500 poppies! Please donate your poppies before September 30th.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

If you would like a copy of the Order of Service and text of the Sunday sermon delivered or mailed to you, please let us know. The full text of the sermon is found on the home page of our website under "Current Sunday Service" each week.

PASTORAL CARE

If you know of someone in need of pastoral care or prayer, please call the Parish Center and leave a voicemail for one of the clergy or contact them by email.

ST JOHN'S GARDENS

Thank you to Gordon, Dinah, Jon, Patrick and Dawn for their work in keeping our gardens looking so attractive and beautiful. Your work gives our community a glimpse of the beauty of God's creation. Thank you!

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