



**St. Matthew**  
**the Apostle, Oriole**  
Anglican Church

*Come. See. Journey.*

***Seventh Sunday***  
***after Pentecost***

July 16th, 2023

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

8:00 a.m. (Said) Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. (Sung) Holy Eucharist



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***"To Seek and Serve  
Christ in all persons"***

Priest and Pastor: The Rev. Sherri Golisky  
Archdeacon: The Venerable Kyn Barker  
Honorary Assistant: The Rev. Canon John Wilton  
Music Director & Organist: Mr. David Braund  
Lay Anointer: Mr. Clifford Wong

### **Today at St. Matthew**

Holy Eucharist (8:00 a.m.)

Holy Eucharist (10:00 a.m.)

We Livestream our 10:00 a.m. service  
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**our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY** *(please remain standing)*

Celebrant: Let us pray *(a moment of silence is taken)*

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### **FIRST LESSON**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Genesis

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddanaram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright."

Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

*(Genesis 25:19-34)*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 119:105-112** Chant: George Black .....p. 875

**Your word is a light upon my path.**

## **SECOND LESSON**

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*(Romans 8:1-11)*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn:** 518 "O Christ, who holds the open gate" .....QUI TENET

## The Holy Gospel

Archdeacon: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Archdeacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Archdeacon: That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."  
*(Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23)*

Archdeacon: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily: The Rev. Sherri Golisky

## **The Apostles' Creed**

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the People *(as announced)***

*(Please stand, sit, or kneel as is most prayerful and comfortable for you.)*

## **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*(silence).*

Most merciful God,

**All: 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 name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace *(Please stand.)***

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All: And also with you.**

*You are invited to share a word of peace with others in the congregation.*

## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **The Preparation of the Gifts**

**Hymn:** 631 "The kingdom of God is justice and joy" .....PADERBORN

### **Prayer Over the Gifts** (*please stand*)

Celebrant: Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into



righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer** *(sung)*

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All: 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 for ever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

## THE COMMUNION

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Agnus Dei** (*Sung*)

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing instead. To indicate this to the priest, please cross your hands over your chest.*

**Anointing:** *If you wish to receive anointing for healing, please approach the anointer prior to receiving Holy Communion.*

**Hymn:** 622 "How bright appears the morning star" .....WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET

### **Prayer after Communion** (*Please stand*)

Celebrant: Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### **Doxology**

Celebrant: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **Announcements**

### **Blessing**

**Hymn:** 381 "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven" ..... PRAISE MY SOUL

## **DISMISSAL**

Archdeacon: Go in peace loving and serving the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** "Voluntary in D (Vivace) ..... John Stanley

## **Next Week's Readings ~ Eight Sunday after Pentecost**

*Genesis 28:10-19a*

*Psalm 139:1-11, 22-23*

*Romans 8:12-25*

*Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43*

### **CYCLE OF PRAYER**

Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of Canada

Anglican Church of Canada: The Most Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson, Archbishop and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Calgary

Diocese: Mission to Seafarers

Diocese: Giving With Grace – the Anglican Appeal of the Anglican Church of Canada

Deanery: Spiritual & Religious Care at North York General Hospital, Long Term Care

Homes and Senior's Residences

Parish: Families of Robbie Roberts, Elizabeth Roberts & Robinson

### **ASSISTING TODAY**

Sidespersons:

The Elan Seales Team

Readers:

Bruce La Rue, Bonnie LaRue

Intercessor:

Cliff Wong

Altar Guild:

Sylvia Sutherland

Livestreaming:

Robbie Roberts

### **Liturgical texts:**

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## Genesis 25:19–34

Genesis is a book that most scholars since the nineteenth century think comes to us from a variety of different sources and traditions about how the world came to be and how Israel came to be a people central to God's unfolding divine purpose in the world. As in our own lives these questions are answered first through stories about families. There are no happy families in the Bible; and today's reading begins the saga of the most unhappy of all—Jacob (Genesis 25:19 through ch 36). In the world of ancient Israel, not being able to have children was a problem in many ways. In a patriarchal world, men depended on male heirs to continue and expand their network of male social power and control. At a more basic level, children were part of what made it possible for a family to continue over time as a viable economic unit, and particularly for women, children guaranteed the possibility of survival in widowhood. But in today's reading, as soon as the pregnancy begins, the unhappiness begins, and Rebekah receives a word from the Lord that predicts not only great futures for her struggling unborn twins (two nations and two peoples), but the realities of human inequity—one will be stronger than the other, but the younger will dominate the older. Once again we see at work the repeated biblical plan by which God overturns the normal structures of society (the older brother and older males should rule the family and society). When the babies are born, the older, Esau, is named for his red hair—and “red” becomes a theme connected with him in the stories that follow. The second twin is born gripping his brother's heel, and is named Ya'aqob—Jacob, which mean “he holds by the heel” or “he cheats.” And Jacob's whole life is marked by manipulation and cheating—of other people and even of God (see especially ch. 25:29ff; ch 27, 28:18ff; ch 29, 30, 31, 32).

*[Dr. Walter Deller/2023]*

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**MESSY CHURCH AND FAMILY POTLUCK BBQ ~ Tuesday, August 15th, at 5:30 p.m.**, with dinner at 6:00. For our children and youth and their families! Stay tuned for more details!

**SAVE THE DATE!** ~ Our next Messy Church gathering is scheduled for the morning of **Saturday, September 23rd**.

Messy Church is church that is fun, for all ages! It is a form of church that involves creativity, celebration and hospitality. Parents are asked to remain with children. For more details and to register, email: [office@stmatthew.ca](mailto:office@stmatthew.ca)

Our monthly **FAMILY SERVICE** will resume in the Fall: stay tuned!

**EVENING PRAYER** ~ We will break for the remainder of July and August.

**BIBLE STUDY** ~ We will break for the remainder of July and August.

**CHURCH OFFICE OPEN TO VISITORS** ~ Tuesdays from 9:00 to 3:00 p.m. and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. via the main South door. Please ring the Bell outside the East wing door (on the left frame) for entry.

**PASTORAL CARE:** ~ If in need of pastoral support, please contact Reverend Sherri priest-[stmatthewtheapostleoriole@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:stmatthewtheapostleoriole@toronto.anglican.ca), or by phone at 416-494-7020 ext. 2. In case of pastoral emergencies, please call (416) 880 – 4211.

### Oriole Foodspace

Oriole Foodspace is our local foodbank, located at the Oriole Community Centre. Several parishioners volunteer, and we've contributed food through the "Reverse Advent Calendar" food drive.

If you wish to donate, the particular needs at the foodbank are:

- ✓ Beans
- ✓ Canned Fruits
- ✓ Rice
- ✓ Flour- small or medium packages
- ✓ Juice (any)
- ✓ Cereals

A cash donation is also valuable so they can purchase what they need, in bulk.



### **Opportunities to serve!**

There are many ministry opportunities open at St. Matthew. We need your help! If you would like to learn more, speak to Rev. Sherri or one of the wardens. The opportunities include but are not limited to...

*Sidespeople, Greeters, Live-Streaming Support, Counters, Messy Church, Children and Youth, Hospitality, Altar Guild, Readers, Intercessors, Choir Members and Instrumentalists, and more.*



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Reverend Sherri will be away on vacation from tomorrow, July **17 to August 7th** inclusively, returning on **Tuesday, August 8th.**

In case of pastoral emergency in her absence, please contact your churchwardens Val at (416) 490-0943, (416) 419-3398 or Steve (416) 529-6173.

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## e-Transfer

**We Accept**



In addition to the six ways you can donate, we're pleased to announce that we now have an additional way of giving available - **e-Transfer.**

The email for the eTransfer is [treasurerstmatt@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerstmatt@gmail.com)

The question is "What is the Name of Rev. Sherri's dog?" Answer: Toby.

Other ways of giving include:

- ✓ You can arrange Pre-Authorized Giving here on our website.
- ✓ You can put your cheque or cash in the Black Mail box (locked) at the George Henry entrance.
- ✓ You can mail in your cheque.
- ✓ Your weekly/monthly envelope in church, and,
- ✓ You can give online through CanadaHelps

***We invite you to give as you can to the life and ministry of St. Matthew the Apostle Oriole, and we are thankful for your generosity.***

The Spirit of Joyful Giving speaks to a regular offering (giving back to God) that is both Sacrificial and Proportionate (to one's earnings), which helps us to acknowledge that we place our trust and security in God alone.

If you would like more information on becoming a regular giver, for example receiving your own weekly or monthly set of envelopes or **registering for pre-authorized giving**, please speak to one of our sidespeople at a Sunday service who can direct you to a Church warden, or reach out to our treasurer Sandra Lumb directly by email at [treasurer@stmatthew.ca](mailto:treasurer@stmatthew.ca)

You can also sign up for pre-authorized giving via our Webpage  
<https://stmatthew.ca/give/>

## PRIEST & PASTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

You may reach the Rev. Sherri by email at [priest-stmatthewtheapostleorile@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:priest-stmatthewtheapostleorile@toronto.anglican.ca), or by phone at 416-494-7020 ext. 2. Sherri's day off is Monday. In case of pastoral emergencies, please call (416) 880 – 4211.

## CHURCH ASSISTANT'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**NOTE:** The office is open to visitors by appointment only.

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## **Parish Officers**

Rector's Warden	Valerie Seales
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Alternative Synod Member	Norma Walker Roberts
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