



St. Matthew
the Apostle, Oriole
Anglican Church

Come. See. Journey.

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2020

SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist



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***“To Seek and Serve
Christ in all persons”***

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Today at St. Matthew

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Online at www.stmatthew.ca/YouTube
on the Monday after the service

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (BAS)

We welcome you today to St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church. The entire service is printed in the bulletin. Unfortunately, we are not able to safely offer children's programs at this time. Consequently, our Nursery program for infants as well as a Sunday School program for toddlers and children is not offered during the service at this time. Children are welcome to join their family in church. We have papers and pencils/markers for kids to use in church and then take home with them available from the Sidespeople.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude: "O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen"Johannes Brahms
If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you,
and we will come to you. *John 14.23*

PLEASE NOTE: *The Diocese of Toronto's protocol around COVID-19 has temporarily suspended all singing by the congregation.*

Please stand. The celebrant greets the community

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

People: And also with you

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God (sung by the Choir)

COLLECT OF THE DAY (*please remain standing*)

Officiant: Let us pray.

Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; 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

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (34:1-12)

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain -- that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees -- as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses. Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17.....Chant: George Black

Reader: Second Lesson: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to The Thessalonians (2:1-8)

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as

God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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Gradual Hymn 101 "Hail to the Lord's anointed"CRÜGER

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions. *(Matthew 22:34-46)*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Canon John Wilton

The Nicene Creed *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the people as announced (*Please stand, sit or kneel as you prefer and are able*)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this 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.

Officiant: 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.)*

At this time, the Diocese of Toronto protocol around COVID-19 (Coronavirus) asks that we share words and smiles only, not handshakes or hugs.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

All: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

For now, the collection plate will no longer be passed around. Those wishing to, can leave their givings on the plate, on the table, in the middle of the centre aisle as they leave the church.

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Prayer Over The Gifts

Celebrant: God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(SAID)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and 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: Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will. On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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." Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Celebrant: Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (*said*)

Celebrant: Let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

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.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the form of bread only. Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing instead. To indicate this to the priest, please cross your hands over your chest. PLEASE NOTE: The Diocese of Toronto's protocol around COVID-19 has temporarily suspended the sharing of the common cup at celebrations of the Eucharist. Please follow the direction of the sidespersons when receiving communion.

Prayers for Healing and Anointing: During COVID19 we are not permitted to practice anointing. Prayers for healing will be available with Mr. Cliff Wong in the narthex during communion. Please wear your mask and stay 6 feet away from each other.

Hymn: 63 "Eat this bread, drink this cup"Taizé

Prayer after Communion *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Recessional Hymn 44 "I believe in God Almighty" ARFON MAJOR

DISMISSAL

Archdeacon: Go in peace loving and serving the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Prelude and Fugue in G minor"Dietrich Buxtehude

CYCLE OF PRAYER

World: Pray for the Church in Wales
Diocese: Archbishop Melissa Skelton, the clergy
and people of the Diocese of New Westminster
Deanery: Spiritual & Religious Care at North York General Hospital,
Nursing Homes and Senior's Residences
Parish: Families of ***Shangari, Sherman, Simich & Simmons***

ASSISTING TODAY

Sidespersons: Val Seales
Reader / Intercessor Clifford Wong
Prayers of the People: Prepared by Clifford Wong
Altar Guild: Norma Roberts

PARISH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: ~ If there are people for whom the parish should be praying, please e-mail Archdeacon Kyn (barkerk@rogers.com) or leave a message at 416-494-7020 Ext. 3.

IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE: ~ Please contact Fr. John at revjwilton@gmail.com or at the office 416-494-7020 Ext. 2

TO REGISTER FOR 10:00 A.M. SUNDAY SERVICES: ~ <http://stmatthew.ca/sundayservices> or leave a detailed message with the date you would like to attend church, your full name and phone number at 416-494-7020 Ext. 1.

SAVE THE DATE

Bishop Kevin Robertson will be visiting us on Sunday, November 15th at 10:00 a.m.

Reserve your seat today! Go to www.stmatthew.ca/SundayServices

Deuteronomy 34:1–12

One of the great concerns of the book of Deuteronomy is to answer the question, how will our children have faith? In its structure it imitates a standard treaty from the ancient Near East sometimes called a vassal covenant. In the opening section of the book (ch 1-11), Moses tells to the new generation, waiting on the east side of the Jordan to enter the land of promise, the story of God's mighty works in delivering the Israelites from Egypt. Our children will have faith if we tell them the story about God at work. In the second part of the book (ch 12-26), the treaty sets out laws and rules that will enable the community to live a life of justice and mercy together. Our children will have faith if we create a society in which justice, mercy and care for the widow, stranger and orphan are the central priorities, not just for society but in our own lives. In the third part of the treaty (ch 27-30), there are rituals and proclamations that are intended to embed the culture of justice, mercy and care for neighbour and stranger in the whole society's corporate memory. Our children will have faith if we invite them to participate in the rituals of community memory and faith. In the final part of the book (31-34), we hear songs of judgement and blessing, as Moses and his generation let go of the past and look to the future. Our children will have faith if we trust them to be faithful and let them free to follow God in their own time and place. Today's reading narrates the mysterious death of Moses, alone on Mount Pisgah, looking over the land he will never enter. All communities depend on the emergence of great leaders from time to time. Will we remain faithful when one generation of leaders is gone and it is not clear who will replace them? And sometimes leaders don't have the opportunity to see the long-term impact of what they have given to the community. As it says near the end of the book, every generation must make its own choice for a world of life or a world of death (30:15-20). How will our children have faith?

[Dr. Walter Deller/2020]

RECTOR'S CONTACT INFORMATION

The Rev. Canon John Wilton's office hours are generally 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the church. He may be reached through the church office at 416-494-7020 ext. 2 or at 416-498-7921 outside of office hours, or by email at revjwilton@gmail.com

CHURCH ASSISTANT'S VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday: 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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

Please email the office@stmatthew.ca to make an appointment.



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