

**ST. STEPHEN'S WITH ST. JAMES  
ANGLICAN CHURCH, CHAMBLY**



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**17<sup>TH</sup> AFTER PENTECOST [Proper 25]  
SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2021  
*"Season of Creation"***

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

**"We believe we are called by God to be a faithful ministry to God through our actions, while true to the Gospel and spiritually alive in prayer, worship and service, to reach out to our community and grow in ministry."**

## **HOLY EUCHARIST**

Celebrant: Rev'd Andy O'Donnell

Organist: Karl-Frederic Bolte

Sentence:

**God has called us through the Gospel, so that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

[See 2 Thessalonians 2.14

Processional Hymn:

CP #439 "Blest are the Pure in Heart"

Greeting / Accueil, Page 185 of the BAS

Collect of the day:

**Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

Reader: Lynn O'Donnell, Lay Reader

*This morning's first reading comes from the thirty first Chapter of Proverbs, beginning at the 10<sup>th</sup> verse.*

*[Proverbs 31:10-31]*

*A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life.*

*She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls.*

*She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night.*

*She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson.*

*She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land.*

*She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.*

*She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.*

*Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her: 'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.'*

*Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.*

*[Silence followed by:]*

*For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us, **THANKS BE TO GOD.***

*We will read Psalm 1 together.*

**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!**

**Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on his law day and night.**

**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.**

**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

**Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

**[PRAYER AFTER THE PSALM]:**

**Giver of life, save us from the desert of faithlessness and nourish us with the living water of your word, that we may bring forth fruit that will last, in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

*This morning's second reading comes from the letter of James, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter beginning at the 13<sup>th</sup> verse.*

[James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a]

*Listen now for the Word of God.....*

*Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.*

*Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.*

*Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. [Silence followed by:]*

*For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us. **THANKS BE TO GOD***

*Gradual Hymn: LP #500: "Sister Let Me Be Your Servant"*

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you***

*The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark* [Mark 9:30-37]

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.*

*Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'*

*The Gospel of Christ: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ***

Homily/Homilie: Rev'd Andy O'Donnell

The Nicene Creed [BAS Page 188]

**Prayers of the People:** Claude Dubois

.....With thanks to Lowell Grisham

*Presider: Wonderful and compassionate God, you have revealed yourself through your Son Jesus Christ as a God of gentle service, resisting the violence of the proud and confirming the goodness of the innocent: Hear the offering of our prayers on behalf of the little, the last and the lost, as we say: Whoever wants to be first,*

***must be last of all and servant of all.***

*Litanist: You have called your Church to sacrificial service in the name of your child Jesus: Grant us the wisdom from above which is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy, that your church may bring to you a harvest of righteousness. Whoever wants to be first,*

***must be last of all and servant of all.***

*Confront the leaders of the world with your justice, and raise up courageous witnesses who will oppose wrong action and reprove the thoughts of the violent, that all who serve in positions of authority may join in your divine work to deliver the innocent and vulnerable from the hands of their adversaries. Whoever wants to be first,*

***must be last of all and servant of all.***

*Be present with those who suffer throughout the world from war or violence or oppression, from illness, poverty or hunger or sadness: Let your kind and gentle hand be with them to comfort and deliver them. Whoever wants to be first,*

***must be last of all and servant of all.***

*Spread your teaching throughout our communities to increase among us those who are wise and understanding, whose works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. Whoever wants to be first,*

***must be last of all and servant of all.***

*We offer to your gracious protection our intercessions for those for whom we are called to pray, especially our Foster Children, Kasu and Maria, Eileen, Ronnie, and Gary Agle, The Goodfellow family, Bill and Joyce, Lynne Pierce, Olga, Annie Veilleux, Frances Boivin-Cunningham, The McConnell family, Ralph and Bev, The Steirli family, Bev and Francis Hynes, Mitsa, Glenn and Kiki, Lil Robinson, Patrick Turgeon, Ann Hopkins, Barry & Della Yaxley, Virginia, Gabriel, Sylvia Dawson, Amanda McCordic, Jerry Osborne, Patrick Osborne, Brianna Walsh, Brahim, Kevan, Jack McGillivray who is now in palliative care and his wife France, David, Ernie Thomas, Donald Sloane, Bob Carveth, Robbie, Mark, Michael Canning, Sidney and Arleen, Beth Reid (Dio), Brandon, Robin and Sheila Nasmith, Sarah, Paul and Rosemary Delaney, Pete, Len Levac, Kenneth Roberts, Keith Donahue, Kathleen Christie and Audrey and her mother.*

*We thank you for the gift of children and for calm strength and patient wisdom to nurture them as they grow to love whatever is just and true and good. We bring you our gratefulness for all our joys and blessings, especially for Maureen Fogarty as she prepares to embark on a trip to Georgia to visit her son and his wife. She is a blessing to the Altar Guild.*

*We entrust to your never failing care and love those who have died, especially Donald Lansing, Gerald Howard and Dr. Rev'd. Elizabeth Rowlinson. Whoever wants to be first,*

***must be last of all and servant of all.***

*Presider: God and Father of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who has endured the path of betrayal and death and triumphed in humble resurrection: Help us to extend your gentle embrace unto all your children, and thus welcome you into our lives*

*through service and gratefulness, in the power of your Spirit and in the name of your risen and living Son. **Amen.***

*In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we uphold in prayer Mary our Bishop, David our Metropolitan, Linda our Primate, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Priests, Clergy, Deacons and Lay readers in the Diocese. In the world we pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda. We also uphold in prayer all those who have died; in Haiti. In Afghanistan. In Ethiopia. Of Covid 19. Please continue to pray for all those affected by the wildfires in the First Nations territories. In our own Diocese, we pray for the Archdeaconry of St. Lawrence, The Ven. Michelle Eason, for St. Paul, Herdman. We also remember in prayer Rt. Rev'd. Dr. Bruce Myers, Bishop, Diocese of Quebec and for our partnerships with the Territory of the Peoples, and for the Diocese of Masasi, Bishop James Almasi and our future partnership with the Diocese of Kinshasa, Bishop Achille and we pray also for Father Linus Buriani who plans to come here to complete his studies to obtain his Bachelor's degree in Theology at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College.*

*Lord in your Mercy, **hear our prayers.***

Confession and Absolution [Page 191]

The Peace / Echange de la paix [Page 192]

Offertory Hymn: CP #61 "As we gather at Your Table"

Prayer over the gifts:

**God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #3– Page 198 BAS

The Lord's Prayer: [Page 211]

Prayer after Communion:

**Ruler of the universe,  
all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son.  
May we who have shared in holy things  
grow into maturity in him.  
This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our  
Lord.**

Doxology [P. 214]

Blessing:

**May our gentle God grant us wisdom and strength to become a humble servant toward all creation. May we welcome and bless children as we would welcome Jesus and thus dwell together with them in the arms of Christ. May we be filled with Spirit that we may show by our good life that our works are done with gentleness born of wisdom.**

**Celebrant:**

And the blessing of our humble God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, dwell with you and be within you, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

Birthdays:  
September 22<sup>nd</sup> – Maureen Poirier

**“Happy Birthday to You, To Jesus Be True,  
May God’s many Blessings keep falling on you”**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Please join us immediately following the service for coffee and social enjoyment in Randell Hall across the parking lot.

Recessional Hymn: LP #132 “Just As I Am”

Dismissal:

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**SERVICE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

In Person and On-Line [Zoom] on our FB Page  
September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
18<sup>th</sup> After Pentecost - Holy Eucharist  
Officiant: Rev’d Andy O’Donnell

**“WE ARE ALL MINISTERS TOGETHER”**



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Present building reconstructed and consecrated  
September 28, 1888