

ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

13th Sunday after Pentecost

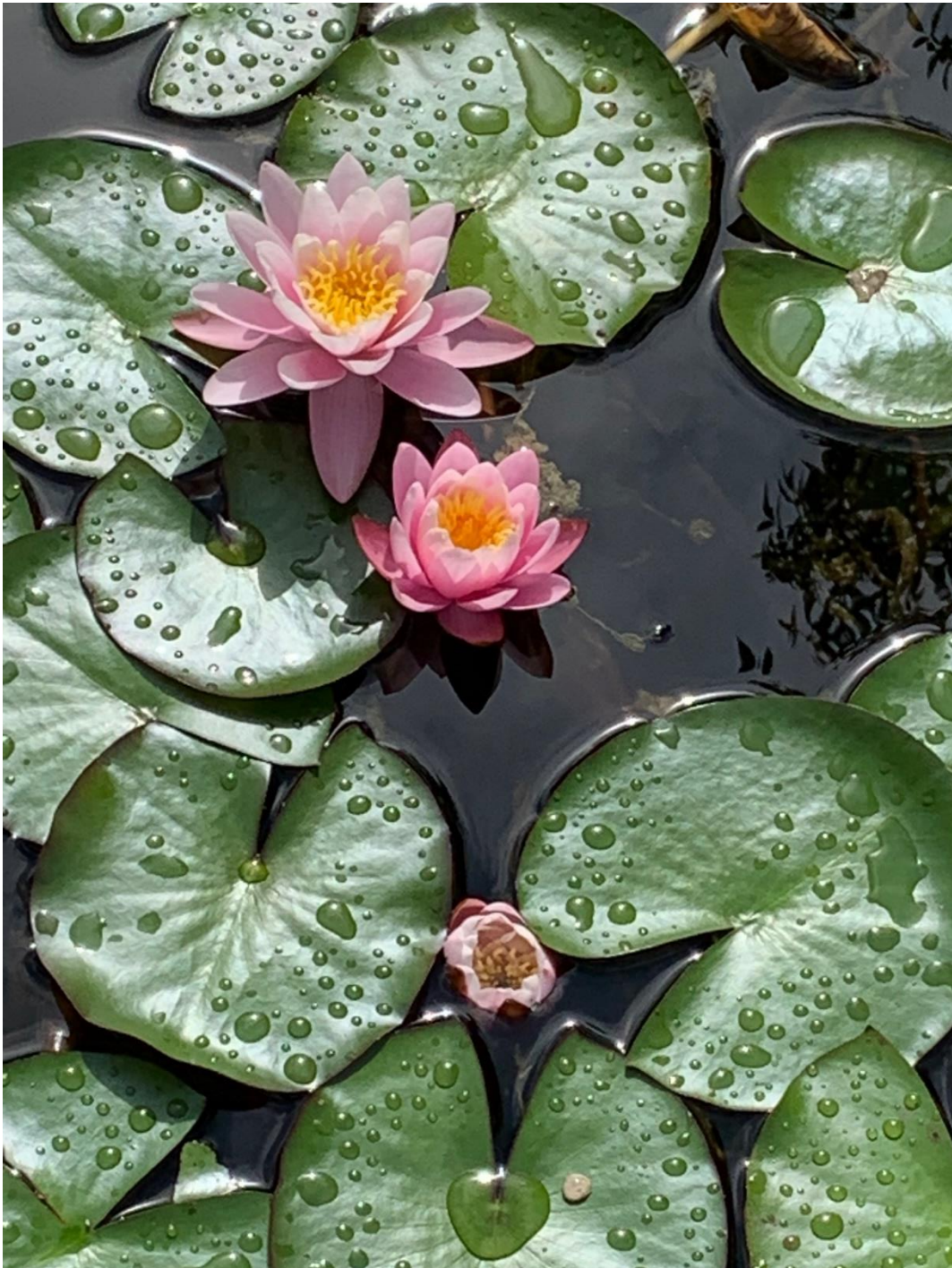


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September 7, 2025

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Service Setting: Communion Service

W. Mathias

Prelude: Second Benedictus

A. Rowley

Opening Hymn: 431 Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said

Breslau

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We worship this morning upon the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people. **May we live upon this land in peace, truth and love.**

*Our liturgy is taken from the green Book of Alternative Services, beginning on page 185,
and our hymnody is taken from the blue Common Praise hymnal.*

Gloria

W. Mathias

Collect of the Day

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 18: 1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had

intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you, from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17

S. S. Wesley

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To our beloved coworker Philemon, to our sister Apphia, to our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Philemon's Love and Faith. I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing, yet 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. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel, but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term, no 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. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask. One thing more: prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping through your prayers to be restored to you.

Gradual Hymn 434 The Love of Jesus Calls Us

Aurelia

Gospel Acclamation: 708

Let your countenance shine upon your servant and teach me your statutes.

Psalm 119:135

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14, 1, 7-14

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host, and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.” He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers and sisters or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Sermon: The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman

The Apostles’ Creed

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Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: 487 Where Charity and Love Prevail

Twenty-Fourth (Primrose)

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The Prayer over the Gifts

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 3 *p. 198*

Sanctus and Benedictus *W. Mathias*

The Lord's Prayer 744 *Rimsky-Korsakov*

The Breaking of the Bread *p. 212*

The Communion *p. 213*

Agnus Dei *W. Mathias*

Communion Hymn: 52 O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near *St. Flavian*

Communion Anthem: Ave verum corpus *W. A. Mozart*

Prayer after Communion

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

The Blessing *p. 214*

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: 435 Take My Life, and Let It Be *Mozart*

Dismissal *p. 215*

Postlude: Prelude, Fugue and Ciaconne *D. Buxtehude*

Worship Leaders & Volunteers

8:00am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Geoffrey Chapman

Reader and Server: Leslie Jones

10:30am

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Greeters: Tony Maxwell and Ian Guthrie

Sidesperson: Kathy Racine

Servers: Rick Trites and Owen Farrelly

Readers: Pam Mackenzie and Elizabeth MacMillan

Communion Ministers: Peter Frayne, Elizabeth Kent, Judith Maxwell and

Prayers of the People: Kathy Racine

Altar Guild: Robina Bulleid, Frances Montgomery, Jan Robar, Susan Morland and Darina Griffin (flowers)

The Rev. Geoff Chapman: 613-854-0643, revgeoffchapman@stmatthewsottawa.ca

Honorary Assistants: The Most Rev. Barry Curtis, The Rev. Katherine (Katie) Tait

Interim Director of Music: Barbara Hallam-Price

Parish Administrator: Catherine James McGuinty: 613-234-4024

Rector's Warden: John McBride

People's Warden: Kevan Pipe

Deputy Wardens: Janice Messam and Wendy Pullan

Readings for Next Week

Numbers 21: 4b-9

Psalm 98: 1-6

I Corinthians 1: 18-24

John 3: 13-17

This Week, Please Pray For:

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa

In our Diocesan Prayer Calendar: We pray for Shane, our Bishop and Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; as well as our Community Ministries: Belong Ottawa: Centre 454; St Luke's Table; The Well/La Source and Centre 105 (Cornwall), Cornerstone Housing for Women, Ottawa Pastoral Counselling Centre, Refugee Ministry and St. James, Leitrim and The Reverend Nash Smith and All Saints, Greely and The Reverend Margo Whittaker

In our Parish: Our Rector, The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman and our Honorary Assistants: The Most Reverend Barry Curtis, and the Reverend Katherine Tait.

Those who are in need of our prayers and those who are ill: Didier, Emilie, Shawn, Jim, Doug, Sophie, Franchesca, Marlon, Josée, John, Jason.

Please give prayers for those who have died, may their souls rest in peace and rise in glory, and may all who mourn know God's comfort and peace.

This morning we give prayers of thanksgiving for

- The faithful, well-lived life of Sandra "Sandy" Sharp, who died in Killaloe, ON on August 3, and for God's comfort and peace to embrace her partner Dorothy and family, especially Kathy Laffin, her God-daughter.
- We give prayers of thanksgiving for the faithful, well-lived life of Patricia Mary Marsden-Dole, who died on August 26 and for her family, especially sons Gregory and Thomas, friends and colleagues who mourn her death.

Liturgical Calendar

Thu	Sept 11	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 13
Sun	Sept 14	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	14 th Sunday after Pentecost
Sun	Sept 14	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	14 th Sunday after Pentecost
Thu	Sept 18	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 14
Sun	Sept 21	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	15 th Sunday after Pentecost
Sun	Sept 21	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	15 th Sunday after Pentecost
Thu	Sept 25	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 15
Sun	Sept 28	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	16 th Sunday after Pentecost
Sun	Sept 28	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	16 th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements

Thurs, Sept 11	Date of submission for Pulse articles
Sept 14	Fall Sunday School returns
Sept 21	Conversations begins
Sept 27, 1pm	Atletico Soccer Game
Sun, Oct 5, 1:30 – 4pm	CCFC Walkathon

New! Conversations: Beginning at 9am on September 21st, between the 8 o'clock and the 10:30 services, Archbishop Barry Curtis will host a new 4 week series of 'Conversations'. What is 'Conversations'? It is a very informal gathering, meeting around a table in the lower hall for an hour, in which we discuss what it means to be a Christian in this tumultuous, wonderful, chaotic, 21st century. The theme of this new series, suggested by a book by the late Michael Mayne is "The Enduring Melody". We will reflect on the enduring melody of our lives, what we hold onto, what sees us through, the complexities, adventures, ups and downs, the exciting experiences that are a part of the wonderful mystery of our lives.

New! Sunday School: The programming for Sunday School will resume on September 14th. The schedule for September 2025 is as follows:
 Sept. 14: The Lost Sheep and Lost Coin
 Sept. 21: Godly Play: The Parable of the Sower
 Sept. 28: Family Service and blessing of back to school backpacks
 Oct 5: Godly Play - Creation

New! Atletico Soccer Game: Mark your calendars. St. Matthews' children, youth, families and the whole parish-at-large can join in for the Atletico game on September 27th at 1 pm at Lansdowne's TD Place. The Atletico is currently in second place. Tickets will be around \$25+ for adults and around \$20 for children under 12. To express your interest in being part of the group, contact Denis Martel at denis_martel@rogers.com

Pulse of the Parish: The Fall issue of the Pulse of the Parish will be published on Thursday, September 18, 2025. Please submit your articles for the Pulse of the Parish newsletter to Dawn Gregory by Thursday, September 11, 2025. Please send articles via email to collinsgregory1@hotmail.com.

Organ Recital: A candidate for the position of Music Director and Organist will be giving an organ recital on Saturday, September 13 at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

Centretown Community Food Centre Walkathon: Welcome to our 10th anniversary Walk for the Centre celebration! We will be hosted by Canadian Martyrs Church, 100 Main St. (next to Immaculata High school), Sunday afternoon, October 5th from 1:30 - 4:00 pm. We will have a Spirit of the Walk door prize of \$250 from Davidson's Jewelers and Walk the Queen Elizabeth pathway 2 or 4 Km. We will celebrate with Banjo song and music, guest speakers, and 'Sons of Scotland' piper band. We hope you will join the celebration of our 10th anniversary Walk.

Office Hours & Pastoral Visitation: In the interest of being more available to all of you, especially for our many members who live near our parish, I will be keeping office hours from **10:00 am to noon** on Wednesdays specifically for you to stop by, as well as my home visitation schedule on Tuesdays. Feel free to come by the office on Wednesday mornings if you want to connect with me, or reach out for a home visit as well. Geoff+

Wednesday Bible Study: Rev. Geoff hosts a Bible Study over Zoom on Wednesdays at 12:00pm for one hour. You are invited to join the zoom call. The focus of the discussion will be the gospel reading for the upcoming week. Here's the link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86857758101?pwd=Ar7bDWxLTayrHzX4dkvEKOELfFbLBX.1>
Meeting ID: 868 5775 8101 Passcode: 2zzVh5

The Wednesday 11 AM Christian Meditation Group meets weekly via Zoom. For more information about the group, and to receive the Zoom link, please call Sue Rayner at 613-558-7899 or email m.s.rayner@sympatico.ca. To learn more about Christian Meditation please visit wccm.org.

Online Sunday Service: St. Matthews is live streaming our Sunday Worship Service. The link to this service is:
https://youtube.com/channel/UCRKL_pwbbZ_FN2YFPAVdG1g/live
You can watch it live or view it at a later date.

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