

ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

23rd Sunday after Pentecost



November 16, 2025

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Service Setting: Addington

R. Shephard

Prelude: Verset de Procession

T. Dubois

Processional Hymn: 330 O Praise Ye the Lord

Laudate Dominum

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

R. Shephard

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 65: 17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days or an old person who does not live out a lifetime, for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat, for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet

speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Canticle: Isaiah 12

S. Wesley

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Gradual Hymn: 503 Fight the Good Fight

Pentecost

Gospel Acclamation: 709

Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.
Luke 21.28

The Holy Gospel: Luke 21: 5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. "But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or

contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

Homily: The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman

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: 350 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

St. Thomas

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The Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 1

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Sanctus and Benedictus

R. Shephard

The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

The Breaking of the Bread

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The Communion

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Agnus Dei

R. Shephard

Communion Hymn: 72 Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed

Jesu, meine Zuversicht

Anthem: Expectans Expectavi

C. Wood

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever.

The Blessing

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Recessional Hymn: 565 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

CWM Rhondda

Dismissal

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Postlude: Praeludium and Fugue in e minor

N. Bruhns

Readings for Next Week

Jeremiah 23: 1-6
C 19 (Luke 1: 68-79)
Colossians 1: 11-20
Luke 23: 33-43

Worship Leaders & Volunteers

8:00am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Geoffrey Chapman

Reader and Server: Wendy Pullan

10:30am

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Greeters: Vivian Messam and Ruth Frayne

Sidesperson: Kathi Racine

Servers: Patrick Martin and Owen Farrelly

Readers: Pam Mackenzie and Elizabeth MacMillan

Communion Ministers: Elizabeth Kent, Pam Mackenzie, Cathy Simons and Peter Frayne

Prayers of the People: Kathi Racine

Altar Guild: Janice Sonnen, Dale McKenzie, Elizabeth MacMillan, Ruth Frayne, Darina Griffin, Anastasia Iwauala and Judy Billingsley (flowers)

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

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

Theological Student: Sarah Keeshan

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

This Week, Please Pray For:

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

In our Diocesan Prayer Calendar: We pray for Archbishop Shane Parker, Primate of Canada; Archbishop Anne Germond, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, as well as: Archbishop Shane Parker, Primate of Canada; Archbishop Anne Germond, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario,

Our Diocesan Partners: Alongside Hope and the Anglican Foundation

The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, the Rt. Rev. Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation

For the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare to elect a new bishop: for those discerning a call to let their name stand for election; for the candidates; for Members of Synod; and for our diocesan Administrator, Bishop Michael Bird

And for the Church of the Epiphany, Gloucester and The Reverend Simone Hurkmans

In our Parish: Our Rector, The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman, our Honorary Assistant Clergy: The Most Reverend Barry Curtis and the Reverend Katherine Tait and our theological student Dr. Sarah Keeshan

Those who are in need of our prayers and those who are ill: Lois, Edith, Karin, Michael, Peter, Sarah, Barry, Janice and Liz.

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.

- the faithful life of **Douglas Elgin Walper**, who died on November 6, may he rest in peace and rise in glory. Please pray for God's comfort and peace for all who mourn his loss: his sister **Elizabeth Kent**, and his family, especially his niece and nephew **Cathie Orfali Williams** and **Jeffrey Williams**.

And please offer special prayers for hurricane ravaged Jamaica.

Liturgical Calendar

Thu	Nov 20	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 23
Sun	Nov 23	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Last Day after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ
Sun	Nov 23	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	Last Day after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ
Thu	Nov 27	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 24
Sun	Nov 30	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	1 st Sunday of Advent
Sun	Nov 30	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	1 st Sunday of Advent
Thu	Dec 4	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Advent 1
Sun	Dec 11	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	2 nd Sunday of Advent
Sun	Dec 11	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	2 nd Sunday of Advent

Announcements

Nov 16 – Dec 14	Advent Food Drive
Nov 20	Pulse of the Parish articles due
Nov 23	Chapel Chat: Focus on Ukraine
Nov 30, 7pm	Advent Lessons and Carols
Dec 7, 9am-1pm	Scarf and Jewellery Sale

New! St. Matthew's Church Fabulous Auction Open for Bidding: St. Matthew's Anglican Church Ottawa's online auction is back with one of its best yet treasure trove of amazing items and just in time for Christmas! With more than 300 lots on offer, this auction features fabulous fine arts, valuables, antiques, international travel certificates, wonderful concert tickets, culinary delights, seasonal baked goods, fun experiences and so much more. The catalogue is online. Bidding runs until 4 pm on Sunday, November 23. Here's where to register: auctria.events/StMattsAuction2025

New! Scarf and Jewellery Sale: An eager team of volunteers is looking forward to sorting and pricing donations of scarves, costume and silver jewellery, and other fashion accessories for this year's sale on **Sunday, December 7**. The date is fast approaching but we are in need of merchandise. Blue collection boxes are located outside the church office and at the back of the church. Valuable items can be left in the church office or given directly to Marg Terrett or Virginia Lindsay. We will also have a table with seasonal décor and attractive gift items. Please solicit donations from your friends, family, book clubs, fitness groups, grannie groups and any other social contacts.

New! Advent Food Drive – Centretown Community Food Centre: As we enter this season of Advent—a time of hope, peace, joy, and love—St. Matthew’s invites parishioners to share in the spirit of giving by supporting our **Advent Food Drive**, running **from this Sunday until 14 December**. This year, we encourage **monetary donations rather than food items**, as financial gifts allow the Centretown Community Food Centre to purchase food in bulk from wholesalers, making each contribution go further to help those in need. If you make your donation by cheque, please write “CCSAC/Community Food Centre” in the memo line. If donating cash, please include a note indicating “CCSAC/Community Food Centre.” At this time, e-transfers are not available for this drive. With warm thanks, Pam Mackenzie

New! Stepping Out Together - Fellowship for Those Who’ve Lost a Partner: Losing a spouse or partner changes everything. Your partner may have been your dearest friend, your closest confidant, and the one who shared the rhythm of daily life with you. When they are gone, the world can feel suddenly quiet—and profoundly different. If you are experiencing loss of a spouse or a partner through death or divorce, please know that you are not alone at St. Matthew’s. I invite you to consider joining me for an outing or activity once a month after the New Year. Our first meeting will be a potluck supper at my house where we will discuss what we’d like to do - perhaps go to a concert, a movie, dinner out or a walk together. This group is not to discuss or share our grief, but to get out in the evenings to enjoy new people and activities again. If you’re interested, please see me after church or email me at: pamela@mackenzie.org.

Pulse of the Parish: The winter issue of the Pulse of the Parish will be published on Thursday, November 27, 2025. Please submit your articles for the Pulse of the Parish newsletter to Dawn Gregory by Thursday, November 20, 2025. Please send articles via email to collinsgregory1@hotmail.com.

Chapel Chat, Nov. 23 – Focus on Ukraine: Don’t miss this unique opportunity to learn about Ukraine, including the experiences of Ukrainians who have recently come to Canada and the challenges they face. Representatives from St. Aidan’s Anglican Church will discuss their work with partners in Ukraine who provide humanitarian aid to the displaced. Algonquin College’s Ecumenical Chaplain will tell us about his work with Ukrainians through Campus Ministry. We’ll also hear from a couple who benefited from the volunteer-run English Conversation Program for Ukrainian Newcomers in Ottawa. Feel free to invite friends who may be interested in participating. Please join us in the chapel following the 10:30 service.

CCFC: Help! A driver is needed to deliver food-drive groceries to Centretown Community Food Centre at 370 Catherine St. We average five food drives a year. I have been able to organize and deliver for the food drives these past 12 years however I no longer have a car. Please contact elizabethkent38@gmail.com or 613 276 8128. Thankyou for your help.

Rides to Church: If you need a ride to church, please fill out the sign-up form located at the back of the church. If you are able to offer a ride, please check the form for names, neighbourhoods, and phone numbers of those requesting transportation. Hopefully we can match up some folks.

Kids' Choir: Kids choir has started up! If you have a child interested in singing who is 6-7 years of age or older, please contact Barb Hallam-Price at: bhallamprice@gmail.com. We meet on Mondays at 4:30 p.m. and currently the choir sings once a month on the last Sunday.

Our Faith and Life Together – Fall 2025: Rev. Geoff will be offering a course offering teachings about our faith and life at St. Matthew's. Each session will take place on Sunday mornings, beginning on Sunday, October 19th from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in the chapel, concluding on Sunday, November 23rd. If you are new to this parish or a long-time member wishing for a deeper understanding of our faith, this course is an excellent opportunity to explore the depth and breadth of our tradition.

October 19th - Session 1: The Anglican Church of Ours

October 26th - Session 2: An Introduction to Biblical Scholarship

November 2nd - Session 3: The History of the Faith

November 9th - Session 4: Sacraments and Worship

November 16th - Session 5: The Church's Mission and Service

November 23rd - Session 6: Parish Life at St. Matthew's

Crabapple Jelly Sale: Pick up your jar at the back of the church or in the office. \$10 each.

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+

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.

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.](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86857758101?pwd=Ar7bDWxLTayrHzX4dkvEKOELfFbLBX.1)

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