

ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

Last Sunday after Pentecost
The Reign of Christ



November 23, 2025

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Service Setting: Darke in F

Prelude: Psalm-Prelude Set 1, no.2

H. Howells

Processional Hymn: 378, Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

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

Rutter

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Second Reading: Colossians 1: 11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Gradual Hymn: 345, King of Glory, King of Peace*Gwalchmai***Gospel Acclamation: 709**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom
of our father David that is coming! Mark 11: 9, 10

The Holy Gospel: Luke 23: 33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

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: 383, Jesus Shall Reign

Duke Street

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The Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 3

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Sanctus and Benedictus

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The Lord's Prayer

McNeil Robinson

The Breaking of the Bread

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The Communion

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Agnus Dei

H. Darke

Communion Hymn: 84, Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour

St. Osmund

Anthem: Worthy Is the Lamb (from Messiah).

G.F. Handel

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

The Blessing

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Recessional Hymn: 379, Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Darwall

Dismissal

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Postlude: Paean

H. Howells

We thank organist Tom Annand for playing at this morning's service.

Readings for Next Week

Isaiah 2: 1-5

Psalm 122

Romans 13: 11-14

Matthew 24: 36-44

Worship Leaders & Volunteers

8:00am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Geoffrey Chapman

Reader and Server: Leslie Jones

10:30am

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Greeters: Bill and Gwyn Cornfield

Sidesperson: Marg Terrett

Servers: Cathy Simons and Rebecca Laffin

Readers: David and Marianne Bournes

Communion Ministers: Peter Frayne, Mary Glen, Catherine Thurlow and Rick Trites

Prayers of the People: Debora Fleming

Altar Guild: Robina Bulleid, Frances Montgomery, Jan Robar, Susan Morland 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

Clergy Home Visits

Our clergy are happy to visit you. To arrange for a home visit with one of our clergy members please contact the office at 613-234-4024.

Pastoral Care Emergencies

For Pastoral Emergencies please contact Rev. Geoff Chapman at 613-854-0643.

This Week, Please Pray For:

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

In our Diocesan Prayer Calendar: Archbishop Shane Parker, Primate of Canada; Archbishop Anne Germond, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, as well as: Staff at Ascension House, including the Diocesan Archivist

Our Diocesan Partners: Communion Forest and Compass Rose

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

For our diocesan Administrator, Bishop Michael Bird

And for All Saints', Westboro, The Venerable Kathryn Otley and The Reverend Chung Yan Lam

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, Susan, Ron 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.

- **Christopher Alan Jackson**, who died peacefully on October 25, may God grant him peace and let light perpetual shine upon him. We pray for comfort and peace for those who mourn his loss, especially his sister **Elizabeth MacMillan** and parents **Alan** and **Isabel Jackson** and their families.
- We pray for God's comfort and peace for **Virginia Lindsay**, sons **Mark** (Francis, Victoria & Gabriel) and **John** (Karin, Simon and Paul); their families and friends as they mourn the loss of **Donald Lindsay**, who died on November 3, and whose service was held on November 22, may he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Finally, we celebrate the marriage of **Aïcha Ducharme-LeBlanc** and **Matthew Tuckey** on November 8th at St. Matthew's, may their love for each other only grow with God's grace.

Liturgical Calendar

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
Sun	Nov 30	7:00pm		Advent Lessons and Carols
Thu	Dec 4	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Advent 1
Sun	Dec 7	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	2 nd Sunday of Advent
Sun	Dec 7	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	2 nd Sunday of Advent
Thu	Dec 11	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Advent 2
Sun	Dec 14	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	3 rd Sunday of Advent
Sun	Dec 14	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	3 rd Sunday of Advent
Sun	Dec 21	7:00pm		Nine Lessons and Carols

Announcements

Nov 16 – Dec 14	Advent Food Drive
Nov 23, 11:30am	Chapel Chat: Focus on Ukraine
Nov 30, 7pm	Advent Lessons and Carols
Dec 7, 9am-1pm	Scarf and Jewellery Sale
Dec 21, 7pm	Nine Lessons and Carols

New! Nativities of the World: As we get ready to come close to the mystery of Christmas, St. Matthew's children and youth will present nativity sets from different countries and offer prayers in each week of Advent. The nativities will be displayed in the prayer alcove. They are from the following countries:

Advent 1 (Nov. 30) - Guatemala, Turkey, Uzbekistan

Advent 2 – Bethlehem, provided by St. George College in Jerusalem

Advent 3 - Ukraine, Godly Play, Indigenous and Inuit nativity stamps.

Advent 4 - Nativity with bible passages, Germany

To express gratitude, donations to the ADO campaign for St. George College or to St. Matthew's would be appreciated:

To St. Matthews: cheque to St. Matthew's or etransfer to finance@stmatthewsottawa.

To St. George's: <https://www.saintgeorgescollegejerusalem.com/giving/>

New! Creation Matters: Advent is a time of hope, love, joy and peace. The Creation Matters working group is preparing suggestions for parishioners to become more informed about Indigenous peoples. We have placed devotional activity suggestions on the St. Matthew's Greening Tree. Please choose one and learn more about our First Nations neighbours.

New! Advent Lessons and Carols service will be on Sunday, November 30th at 7:00 pm. The service will consist of readings and carols that prepare us for the four Sundays of Advent.

New! Nine Lessons and Carols: St. Matthew's choir will present Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 21st at 7:00 pm. Come and sing some wonderful Christmas carols, listen to the readings and hear some beautiful new and old carols prepared by the choir.

New! St. Matthew's Church Fabulous Auction Open for Bidding: Bidding runs until 4 pm on Sunday, November 23. The catalogue is online. Here's where to register: auctria.events/StMattsAuction2025

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.1>
Meeting ID: 868 5775 8101 Passcode: 2zzVh5

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