

ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

Transfiguration Sunday



February 15, 2026

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Service Setting:

Rutter

Prelude: Prelude, Fugue and Variation

C. Franck

Processional Hymn: 381, Praise, My Soul

Praise, My Soul

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 God, on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Exodus 24: 12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1: 16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Gradual Hymn: 166, We Have Come At Christ's Own Bidding *O Mein Jesu, ich muss sterben*

Gospel Acclamation: 711

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. *Matthew 17.5*

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Sermon: Dr. Sarah Keeshan

Apostles' Creed*pg 189***Prayers of the People****Confession and Absolution***pg 191*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: 169, Jesus, on the Mountain Peak

Monsley

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The Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God, receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 1

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Sanctus and Benedictus

Rutter

The Lord's Prayer: 744

R. Langdon

The Breaking of the Bread

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The Communion

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Agnus Dei

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Communion Hymn: 61, As We Gather at Your Table

Ecce, Deus

Anthem: O Nata Lux

Tallis

Prayer after Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name.

The Blessing

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Announcements

Recessional Hymn: 347, The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

Dismissal

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Postlude: Fugue in C Major

J.S.Bach

Worship Leaders & Volunteers

8:00 am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Geoffrey Chapman

Reader and Server: Leslie Jones

10:30am

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Preacher: Dr. Sarah Keeshan

Greeters: Simon Creasy and Wendy Young

Sidesperson: Elaine Gordon

Servers: Julia Adjogble, Yvonne Martel and Rick Trites

Readers: Debora Fleming and Andrew Campbell

Communion Ministers: Randi Goddard, Mary Glen, Ruth Frayne and Peter Frayne

Prayers of the People: Debora Fleming

Altar Guild: Janice Sonnen, Ruth Frayne, Elizabeth MacMillan, Anastasia Iwuala and Judy

Billingsley (flowers)

Coffee Hour: Bill Nuttle and Ian Marsh

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

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

Theological Student: Dr. 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

Readings for Next Week

Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5: 12-19

Matthew 4: 1-11

This Week, Please Pray For:

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

In our Diocesan Prayer Calendar:

- Almighty God, giver of all good gifts: look on your Church with grace, and guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for our diocese, that we may receive a faithful servant, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Archbishop Shane Parker, Primate of Canada; Archbishop Anne Germond, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario
- Our Diocesan Partners: Our Diocesan Partners: Kairos Ottawa and Saint Paul University
- The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Archbishop Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation
- St. Paul's, Almonte and The Reverend Jonathon Kouri

In our Parish: Our Rector, The Reverend Geoffrey Chapman and our Honorary Assistants: 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: Jim, Lois, Susan, Dianne, Stephanie, Lydia, Ian, Patrick, Kelly, Will, Verna, Jeff, Paul, Judy and Veronica.

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.

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.

Liturgical Calendar

Wed	Feb 18	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Ash Wednesday
Wed	Feb 18	7:00pm	Sung Holy Eucharist	Ash Wednesday
Thu	Feb 19	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Transfiguration Sunday
Sun	Feb 22	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	First Sunday in Lent
Sun	Feb 22	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	First Sunday in Lent
Thu	Feb 26	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Lent 1
Sun	Mar 1	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Second Sunday in Lent
Sun	Mar 1	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	Second Sunday in Lent
Thu	Feb 19	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Lent 2
Sun	Feb 22	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Third Sunday in Lent
Sun	Feb 22	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	Third Sunday in Lent

Announcements

Now to April 5	Lenten Food Drive
Tues, Feb 17, 5-6:30pm	Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday
Sun, Feb 22, 11:30	Souper Sunday
Tues, Feb 24, 7:30pm	Lenten study begins
Sat, Mar 7, 4pm	Potluck and Crokinole Tournament

New! Lenten Study: This Lent we will be reading and studying the book “Holy Living: The Christian tradition for today” by Rowan Williams. We have purchased 15 copies and they are available through Catherine at the office for \$24 or at Perfect Books under "St. Matthew's" for \$24. Hosted by Rev. Geoff on Zoom, we will meet at 7:30 pm until 9:00 pm, starting Tuesday, February 24th until March 24th. This first week we will discuss Part 1, which includes the first three chapters. We will also send out a Zoom link over the e-blast. We hope to see you for this wonderful Lenten tradition! Geoff+

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86120041643?pwd=TVeT7vA0255vFWfwfYU4aNhbaaTDpX.1>

New! Vestry Report and Financial Statements for 2025: The reports from 2025 are now available on our website. Please review them prior to the Vestry meeting on March 1 following the service. <https://www.stmatthewsottawa.ca/files-reports-forms>

New! Lenten Food Drive – CCSAC / Centretown Food Centre: Our Lenten Food Drive will run from this Sunday through 5 April. During this Lenten season, we are invited to open our hearts and share what we have with others. Through the work of the Centretown Churches Social Action Committee (CCSAC), we support the Centretown Food Centre,

which serves neighbours in our community who are facing food insecurity. You are invited to participate by making a financial contribution or by donating non-perishable food items. Financial gifts allow the Food Centre to respond quickly and to purchase what is most needed. Every gift—large or small—helps nourish both body and spirit. We especially encourage monetary donations, as CCSAC is able to purchase food in bulk from wholesalers, making each contribution go further. If you donate by cheque, please write “CCSAC / Community Food Centre / Lenten Drive” in the memo line. If donating cash, please include a note indicating “CCSAC / Community Food Centre / Lenten Drive.” Thank you for sharing in the Lenten spirit of generosity, compassion, and care for one another. With warm thanks, Pam Mackenzie

New! Souper Sunday: February 22 following the 10:30am service. Our hosts will be the Sidespersons and Greeter teams. Please join us to enjoy a bowl of delicious soup and fellowship.

Pancake Supper: Please plan to join us for the parish pancake supper on Shrove Tuesday, February 17 from 5-6:30pm. The pancakes will be served with maple syrup, sausages and fruit.

GenXYZ: Are you a member of Gen X, Y, or Z? If you are, and would like to be included in emails regarding social events and outings, please contact Julia Lipinska at lipinskaj@rocketmail.com to be added to the email list. Thank you!

The Sunday School program for February is as follows:

Feb. 8: Godly Play - Faces of Easter (1-3)

Feb. 15: Godly Play - Exodus

Feb. 22: Family Service

Dinner and Crokinole Tournament: Mark your calendar, the Crokinole Tournament is back on Saturday, March 7th. There will be a potluck dinner before the Tournament for children, youth, families and the parish at large. More information to come. We will need 6-8 volunteers. Please contact Heather Sheehy or Denis Martel (denis_martel@rogers.com).

Parish Treasurer: We are currently looking for a parish treasurer. If you have a background in accounting and would like to join a dynamic and effective stewardship team taking on an important volunteer position, please reach out to our nominating committee (Janice Sonnen and Helen Griffin) or speak to our Stewardship Chair Charles Nixon or Rev. Geoff.

Sale of Marmalade - The order forms for purchasing marmalade will be out on Sunday, January 25. Purchasing in advance helps us to plan our production and ensure that you can have a supply of delicious marmalade in your pantry or as gifts. This is one place where I need a couple of volunteers to help me with packing up the marmalade orders. Please get in touch if this opportunity interests you.

Weekly Offering Envelopes: We have available for members of St Matthew's an annual set of weekly donation envelopes for your use. If you would like a set of donation envelopes, please sign up on the clip board at the back of the church near the visitor's guestbook. Your boxed set of offering envelopes will be prepared and left for you to pick up at the back of the church later this month. Offering envelopes RENEWED from 2025 are now available at the back of the church. Please note: We ask that you cover the cost of your boxed set using the initial offering envelope in the box. The cost of envelopes this year is \$10. We invite you to support the ongoing ministry of St. Matthew's financially to allow us to do God's work with the resources you have trusted to us.

Church Calendars: I have 4 church calendars for sale in the office. There are \$10 each. Please contact the office if you would like one. 613-234-4024 or admin@stmatthewsottawa.ca

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.

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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