

ST. MATTHEW'S

The Anglican Church in the Glebe

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



September 20, 2026

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Service Setting

Mathias

Prelude: Fantasia in E Flat - Con Moto

Camille Saint-Saëns

Processional Hymn: 565, Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria

Mathias

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.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Exodus 16: 2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.” Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’” In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

Psalm: 105:1-6, 37-45

Elvey

Second Reading: Philippians 1: 21-30

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me, yet I cannot say which I will choose. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better, but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that, by my presence again with you, your boast might abound in Christ Jesus because of me. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel and in no way frightened by those opposing you. For them, this is evidence of their destruction but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. For he has

graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ but of suffering for him as well, since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Gradual Hymn: 546, God moves in a Mysterious Way

London New

Gospel Acclamation: 708

Plainsong

Open our hearts, O Lord, to give heed to what is said by your Son.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 20: 1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Sermon: Rev. Geoffrey Chapman

The Apostles’ Creed

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The Prayers of the People

The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: 84, Lord, Enthroned in heavenly Splendour

St. Osmund

The 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.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 2

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Sanctus and Benedictus

Matthias

The Lord's Prayer 744

Rimsky Korsakov

The Breaking of the Bread

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Agnus Dei

Matthias

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus bearer of our sin, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

The Communion

Communion Hymn: 477, Lamp of Our Feet, Whereby We Trace

St. Agnes

Anthem: Expectans, Expectavi

Charles Wood

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.

Recessional Hymn: 635, Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Bridegroom

Dismissal

Postlude: Fantasia in E flat - Allegro Di Molto e Con Fuoco

Camille Saint-Saëns

Worship Leaders & Volunteers

8:00am

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Geoffrey Chapman

Reader: Mary Glen

Server: Cathy Simons

10:30am

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Greeters: Seddigh Farajzadeh and Simon Creasy

Sidesperson: David Bournes

Servers: Leslie Jones, Owen Farrelly and Julia Adjogble

Readers: David Bournes and Marianne Bournes

Prayers of the People: Jim Lynes

Communion Ministers: Judy Maxwell, Peter Rider, Cathy Simons and Janice Sonnen

Altar Guild: Robina Bulleid, Frances Montgomery, Jan robar, Susan Morland and Judy Billingsley (flowers)

Coffee Hour: Peter and Jane Rider

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

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

Director of Music: Owen Spicer

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Rector's Warden: Janice Messam

People's Warden: Kevan Pipe

Deputy Wardens: Francis Berkman and Wendy Pullan

Readings for Next Week

Exodus 17: 1-7

Psalms 78: 1-4, 12-16

Philippians 2: 1-13

Matthew 21: 23-32

This Week, Please Pray For:

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Australia

In our Diocesan Prayer Calendar: Kathryn, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Primate; as well as:

- The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Archbishop Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, Sacred Circle Events, and the ministry of reconciliation
- Our Diocesan Partner: Multifaith Housing Initiative (MHI)
- The Parish of the Holy Spirit, Quebec and The Reverend Caroline Ducros, The Reverend Sony Jabouin and The Venerable Christopher Dunn

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: Susan, Suzanne, Chuck, Hagen, Catherine, Bill, Louise, Dale, Peter, Franchesca, Marissa, Kelly, Will, Barbara, Donna, Becky, Tom, Debbie, Lucy, Dougal, Lisa, Tyler, Hoda, and Georgeta & her family.

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.

And for all whose lives have been affected by fires, drought and flooding in Canada and around the world.

Liturgical Calendar

Thursday	Sept 24	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 17
Sunday	Sept 27	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	St. Matthew's Day
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Thursday	Oct 1	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 18
Sunday	Oct 4	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	19 th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday	Oct 4	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	19 th Sunday after Pentecost
Thursday	Oct 8	10:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	Week of Pentecost 19
Sunday	Oct 11	8:00am	Said Holy Eucharist	20 th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday	Oct 11	10:30am	Sung Holy Eucharist	20 th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements

Sun, Sept 20, 11:30am	Parish Council Meeting
Sun, Sept 27	St. Matthew's Day
Sat, Oct 3	Ride for Refuge
Sun, Oct 4	Walk for the Centre
Sun, Oct 18, 12:20pm	Poet's Corner
Sun, Oct 25	Souper Sunday

New! Poet's Corner: Poetry is the oldest form of storytelling. In its oral tradition, using meters, rhythm, rhyme, and repetition to remember, people shared histories, laws, religious rituals, traditions and ways of doing things such as planting, cooking, hunting.

Some individuals at St. Matthews would like to start a Poets' Corner. This new initiative is to rediscover the power of poetry. Interested individuals are welcome to listen, read, share and/or read their own poems in the chapel from 12:30 to 2:30 on **Sunday, Oct.18** after the 10:30 service. Bring a bag lunch. Everyone is welcome to participate whether to listen, to read their favourite poems, or share/read their own original poems. Feel free to invite poets/readers in the parish who you think would enjoy participating. For this event we would like to focus on poems about faith; what it means to live in faith; how we experience faith; how faith impacts our lives.

To have a sense of how many may be joining us, there will be a sign-up sheet at the back of the church under the label POETS' CORNER, on Sunday, Oct.4.

New! Sunday School: Classes resumed on September 13. We are using the Godly Play program again this year. The Fall will focus on the Old Testament stories (Abraham and Sarah, Moses, David) and the Apostle Paul. The schedule is:

Sept 13: The Great Family
 Sept 20: Ten Best Ways
 Sept 27: Family Service
 October 4: Ark and the Tent
 October 11: Saul Changes
 October 18: Ark and the Temple
 October 25: Family Service

New! Crab Apple Jelly Update: Thanks to everyone who helped out with the crab apple jelly making this year. Thanks especially to Joan Lawrence for leading this event. We made 59 jars of jelly to be sold to support the work of the First Water organization. The jelly will go on sale at the St. Matthews' Patronal celebration, September 27.

New! Bring in your plastic cutlery from home: Plastic cutlery is problematic on many fronts. Among them, it is: difficult to recycle, degrades in harmful ways, takes centuries to break down and is made from petroleum products. Yet it ends up in our kitchen drawers so easily and often! We can make a difference. Using just a couple of the R's in the [many recycling Rs](#), we can refuse it when offered. For the plastic cutlery we already have, we can re-use it. We can keep a couple of items in our bag or knapsack when we go out for convenient re-use.

And another way: from now until Thanksgiving (inclusive), Creation Matters and St. Matthew's Outreach are asking you for the plastic cutlery currently cluttering up your kitchen drawers. It is being collected for [Highjinx](#), a local community hub where they -- and fellow neighbours -- help neighbours who are economically challenged. Here, neighbours who need it can have a meal or pick up some food to take home, or with them if underhoused. Keeping cutlery can be a challenge for some. Highjinx will take what we collect to give out when needed.

Please do not purchase new plastic or any other cutlery for this purpose! We are collecting only what is currently excess in your home at this time. Place in the labelled container at the back of the church. Thank you for helping others!

September Outreach - Cornerstone: During September we are collecting *only specific items currently needed* at Cornerstone Housing for Women, an Anglican Community Ministry. Cornerstone provides shelter, basic needs and supportive services to women and gender-diverse individuals in our community. Cornerstone is in need of:

- bath towels *only* (new or gently used; clean, no holes, rips or stains)
- underwear (XL to 4XL are currently requested)
- soap bars, body wash, deodorant
- gift cards for small amounts to grocery stores and coffee shops

These are the only items we are collecting. Might you consider purchasing Canadian products? Please place in the box at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity. Contact Julia Lipinska, Outreach Chair, with any questions: lipinskaj@rocketmail.com.

Belong Ottawa Ride for Refuge: On Saturday, October 3, Belong Ottawa will be participating in the Ride for Refuge, with funds raised supporting the programming and needs its Centre 454 community ministry. You can read more about the ride, register to ride or volunteer, or make a donation at Belong Ottawa's Ride for Refuge web page. Note St. Aidan's Elmvale Acres is acting as the lead for Belong Ottawa, so don't be confused when you see "Ottawa Elmvale Acres" on this page – you have found the right place!

Please consider participating in Centre 454's letter campaign: [Centre 454](#) is relocating as a result of long-term planning with the City. Currently the relocation date is January 2027. No new location has yet been found. Closures of nearby consumption and treatment service sites have increased pressure on the City's health and social service system. As a result, Belong Ottawa has asked the City to extend the transition timeline. If you wish to learn more about

the reasons for this request and sign a letter supporting the extension, you can do so at: <https://belongottawa.ca/blog/centre454advocacy>. Over 1000 people have already signed!

Calling all Walkers: Walk for the Centre is Sunday afternoon October 4, 1:30- 4:00 pm in support of Centretown Community Food Centre. Choose your Walk 2 or 4 km on the scenic Rideau Canal pathway meeting and ending at 100 Main St., Canadian Martyrs church. There will be a Silent Auction and the Son's of Scotland piper band leading our Walk in an afternoon of fundraising fun. Full details and online donations www.centretownchurches.org/walkathon

John Main OSB: St. Matthew's Christian Meditation group meets weekly on Wednesdays at 11 AM via Zoom. For the next few weeks we are returning to the teachings of our founder with the series of talks entitled *One with Christ through Jesus*. 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 and view many opportunities to begin or deepen a practice, please visit <http://wccm.org/>

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