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at 10:00 a.m.

The Booklet

Celebration of Confirmation and
Reception into the Anglican
Communion

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ST ALBANS

Spirit-Led. Christ-Centred. Contemporary Urban Church

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Welcome/Bienvenue

Welcome to St. Albans, worshipping in and livestreaming from beautiful downtown Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Join us in person by registering at www.stalbanschurch.ca/in-person. Or you can livestream the service at www.facebook.com/saintalbans or www.youtube.com/channel/UCdwV9f01mc4ymXD16YdNUBA.

Our French-language sister community, St-Bernard, worships at noon on Sundays: in person at the church, and online at www.facebook.com/communautestbernard

Welcome

We give thanks that the Right Reverend Shane Parker, Bishop of Ottawa, is with us this morning. Together we celebrate that James and Anna will be confirmed and that Sylvie will be received into the Anglican Communion.

Land Acknowledgement

St Alban's gathers on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people. We remember the Indigenous peoples on whose land we are gathered, wherever we are. Our acknowledgement is also a statement of our commitment to the ongoing work of reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbours.

Greeting

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

And also with you.

There is one body and one Spirit,
There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
One God and Father of all.

All Creatures of our God and King

All creatures worship God most high,
lift up your voice in earth and sky,
alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O sing ye, O sing ye, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,
alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O sing ye, O sing ye, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy God to hear,
alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest all both warmth and light,
O sing ye, O sing ye, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Dear mother earth, who day by day,
unfoldest blessings on our way,
alleluia, alleluia!

T

he flow'rs and fruits that in thee grow,
let them God's glory also show,
O sing ye, O sing ye, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Let us pray.

We pray silently

Collect

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.
Amen.**

We Proclaim the Word

Each Sunday we read from sections of the Bible: the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament and the Gospel. These same readings will be proclaimed to over a billion Christians around the world today.

The First Reading | *1 Samuel 1:4-20*

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, “Hannah, why do you

weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?” After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: “O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a Nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.” As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she

was drunk. So Eli said to her, “How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.” But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.” Then Eli answered, “Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.” And she said, “Let your servant find favour in your sight.” Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered

her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Hannah's Song (*1 Samuel 2:1-10*)

My heart exults in the Lord, my strength is exalted in my God.

My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in your salvation.

There is no Holy One like you, O Lord, nor any Rock like you, our God.

For you are a God of knowledge and by you our actions are weighed.

The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full now search bread, but those who were hungry are well fed.

The barren woman has borne sevenfold,
but she who has many children is forlorn.
**Both the poor and the rich are of your
making, you bring low and you also exalt.**

You raise up the poor from the dust, and
lift the needy from the ash heap.
**You make them sit with the rulers, and
inherit a place of honour.**

For the pillars of the earth are yours and
on them you have set the world.

The Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

And every priest stands day after day at
[their] service, offering again and again
the same sacrifices that can never take
away sins. But when Christ had offered
for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he
sat down at the right hand of God,” and
since then has been waiting “until his
enemies would be made a footstool for

his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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Gravity of Love | *The Brilliance*

I lift my eyes up to the hills

This my morning song

Where my strength comes from

I lift my eyes up to the hills

This my evening song

Where my help comes from

This is the gravity of love

Just as the moon follows the sun

You're all around me

You're holding everything

This is the hope of every land

Just as the universe expands

Your love is reaching

You're holding everything

We lift our eyes up to the hills
When will our help come?
Lord we cry, "How long?"

We lift our eyes up to the hills
Even as we run
Hope is chasing us

This is the gravity of love
Just as the moon follows the sun
You're all around me
You're holding everything

This is the hope of every land
Just as the universe expands
Your love is reaching
You're holding everything

I see infinite stars
One for every human heart
And with all of these suns
I know I am not alone

(chorus)

This is the hope of every land
Just as the universe expands
Your love is reaching
You're holding everything

The Gospel | *Mark 13:1-8*

Le Seigneur soit avec vous. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite

the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Right Reverend Shane Parker

Confirmation and Reception

The Confirmation of **Anna Gow** and
James Adair;

The Reception of **Sylvie Brazeau** into the
Anglican Communion

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Bishop The candidates will now be
presented.

Sponsors **I present Anna and James for
Confirmation.**

Sponsor **I present Sylvie to be received
into this Communion.**

Bishop Do you reaffirm your
renunciation of evil?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Do you renew your
commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates **I do.**

Bishop Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidates **I do and with God's grace I will follow him as my Saviour and Lord.**

Bishop *To the congregation*
Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Baptismal Covenant

Let us join with those who commit themselves again to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ,
the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit**

and born of the Virgin Mary.

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

**and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.**

He will come again

to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

**the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles'
teaching and fellowship, in the breaking
of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil and,
whenever you fall into sin, repent and
return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example
the good news of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you see and serve Christ in all
persons, loving your neighbour as
yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Let us pray for those who are affirming their baptism, and for all the baptized everywhere.

A leader leads the prayers.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Confirmation of Anna Gow and James Adair

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their baptism.

Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant Anna with your Holy Spirit; empower them for your service; and sustain them all the days of their life. **Amen.**

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant James with your Holy Spirit; empower him for your service; and sustain him all the days of his life. **Amen.**

Reception of Sylvie Brazeau

Sylvie, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve and keep you. **Amen.**

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

In the sharing of the Peace we celebrate our reconciliation with God and extend the gift of peace to one another (Matt 5:23-24). We are also reminded that it is in meeting others that we meet Christ.

When exchanging the Peace with fellow parishioners (if you are attending in person), please remember that physical contact with those outside your bubble group is sadly not permitted during this Yellow phase. Share a sign of peace with others around you by other means such as bowing or waving. If you are online, share a sign of peace online or in your home.

La paix du Seigneur soit toujours avec vous.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We Celebrate the Eucharist

Offering

All that we have is a gift from God. Please consider a gift to St. Albans, with an e-transfer to donate@stalbanschurch.ca, or a secure credit card donation at www.stalbanschurch.ca/connect/donations (StAlbans is the answer to the security question.)

If you'd prefer to give in person, please place your offering in the plate located near the pods. To receive an electronic tax receipt, please provide your postal address and email. Thank you!

Lean On Me | *Bill Withers*

Sometimes in our lives

We all have pain

We all have sorrow

But if we are wise

We know that there's always tomorrow

Lean on me

When you're not strong

And I'll be your friend

I'll help you carry on ...

For it won't be long

Till I'm gonna need somebody to lean on

Please swallow your pride

If I have things you need to borrow

For no one can fill

Those of your needs that you won't let
show

You just call on me brother when you
need a hand

We all need somebody to lean on

I just might have a problem that you'll
understand

We all need somebody to lean on

If there is a load you have to bear
That you can't carry
I'm right up the road
I'll share your load
If you just call me
Call me

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. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty
God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all
things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their
hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil
and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and
despair.

By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.
Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth of your glory are full
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the
highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the
name of the Lord.**

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name of the Lord.**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord ...

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."
In the same way he took the cup, saying,
"This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of
me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and
resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us
worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Dear friends, wherever you may be,
receive Christ; in communion with the
saints and the gathering of God's people,
unseen yet present with us now.

**We receive you Lord Jesus Christ, we
welcome your presence in us, and
together proclaim our love for you; with
our hearts, minds, our souls, and our
strength; with the saints we worship you,
with the angels we adore you, with your
whole Church we proclaim your reign.
Come to us, though many, and make us
one in you. Amen.**

All Belong Here | The Many

When you're not sure who you really are
When all you feel is the shape of your scars
And you have more wounds than you can
count

Open your eyes, look all around
You aren't alone, this is your home

Come and remember who you are here
Do this to remember who I am
Come and remember you belong here
All belong here

When you don't know how to forgive
When locked doors seem like the only
way to live
And you've got more questions than you
can count
Open your eyes, look all around
You aren't alone, this is your home

(chorus)

At this table come as you are
Broken and bleeding's ok
At this table eat and be filled
Come and drink in this grace.

(chorus)

We Are Sent

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. Amen.

Glory to God,
whose power, working in us can do
infinitely more than we can ask or
imagine. Glory to God, from generation
to generation in the Church and in Christ
Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Community Announcements

Blessing

God's Highway | Sandra McCracken

My feet are strong, my eyes are clear

I cannot see the way from here

But on we go, She knows the way

And in Her arms, She keeps me safe.

Fear not, keep on, watch and pray

Walk in the light of God's highway

The shadows flee, The valley is deep

But evil cannot conquer me

Your rod and staff, They protect me

You give me rest, You give me peace

Fear not, keep on, watch and pray

Walk in the light of God's highway

I see the shore, from troubled seas

This tiny ship that carries me

It is not yet, But it will be

So heaven come, It's you we need

Fear not, keep on, watch and pray

Walk in the light of God's highway

I'm holding onto you, Lord
You're holding onto me ...
I'm holding onto you, Love
You're holding onto me ...
I'm holding onto you, Lord
You're holding onto me ...

Fear not, keep on, watch and pray
Walk in the light of God's highway

Sending

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*When the service ends, please join us
for coffee hour to catch up with folks.
We know it's tempting to hug and get
close, but please continue to wear a mask
and maintain distancing when chatting
with others.*

Announcements

Thursdays: Morning Prayer/Bible Study

The study group returns to Zoom each Thursday at 9 am. Join us to pray and to study the upcoming Sunday's Gospel and Psalm readings; a lovely way to start the day. The Zoom link –

<https://bit.ly/3k7yekT> – is the same each week. Meeting ID: 821 0277 5595
Passcode: 574469

Mondays: Monthly Resilience Check-in

The Resilience Check-In Group continues on **Monday, December 12** at 3:00 pm. Connect with facilitator Mary-Martha Hale to check in.

ADO PWRDF Fall Gathering on Zoom: Making a World of Difference

On **Tuesday, November 23 at 7pm**, join PWRDF Ottawa as we learn how our partners in the field Care for Creation! Hosted by the Diocese of Ottawa's Primate's World Relief and Development Fund Working Group, the evening will feature participation by PWRDF Exec. Will Postma and Primate Linda Nicholls. All are welcome to attend; just email pwrdf@ottawa.anglican.org for the link.

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