

September 4, 2022
at 10:00 a.m.

The Booklet

The Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost
A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

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ST ALBANS

Spirit-Led. Christ-Centred. Contemporary Urban Church

www.stalbanschurch.ca

Welcome/Bienvenue

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

On Sundays at 10am, St. Albans doors are open for in-person worship. You'll find our Covid guidelines at www.stalbanschurch.ca/in-person.

Join us online via livestream at www.facebook.com/saintalbans or www.youtube.com/channel/UCdwV9f01mc4ymXD16YdNUBA.

Our French-language sister community worships at noon on Sundays, in-person and online at www.facebook.com/CommunauteStBernard.

A Breastfeeding-Friendly Parish

St. Albans recognizes that breastfeeding is a protected human right and parents in Ontario have the right to breastfeed everywhere. We are committed to providing a respectful and

comfortable environment for all breastfeeding parents in the context of church activities.

During the service, you are welcome to breastfeed where you are seated, in the rector's office (the "pod" to your right when you first enter the nave), or anywhere else in the church, as you feel comfortable.

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

St. Albans 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,
the love of God and the communion
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

The Opening Prayer

Almighty God,
**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.**

All Creatures of Our God and King | Traditional

All creatures of our God
and King

Lift up your voices, let us
sing

Alleluia, alleluia!

Though burning sun with
golden beam

Thou silver moon with
softer gleam

O praise Him, O praise
Him

Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure
and clear

Make music for the Lord to
hear,

Alleluia, alleluia!

Though fire so masterful
and bright,

That givest us both warmth
and light

O praise Him, O praise
Him

Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Let all things their Creator
bless

And worship Him in
humbleness

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father,
praise the Son,

And praise the Spirit, Three
in One

O praise Him, O praise
Him

Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

We pray silently.

Stir up, O Lord,

the wills of your faithful people,

that richly bearing the fruit of good works,

we may by you be richly rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

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: Jeremiah 18:1-11

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me.

2 You know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

3 You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.

4 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

5 You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

12 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike.

13 For you yourself created my inmost parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

14 I will thank you because I am marvellously made; your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

15 My body was not hidden from you, while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

16 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

17 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them!

The Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

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Thanks be to God.

Potter & Clay | Jaylene Johnson

You're the Potter, I'm the clay

You're the Potter, I'm the clay

Fearfully and wonderfully made

You're the Potter I'm the clay

But You hold my soul safe
You hold my soul safe in Your hands
I'm safe in Your hands

I am flesh and I am bone
I am flesh and I am bone
From the earth and to the earth I go
I am flesh and I am bone

But You hold my soul safe
You hold my soul safe in Your hands
I'm safe in Your hands

You finish what you start
You finish what you start
You began a perfect work in my heart
You finish what you start

But You hold my soul safe
You hold my soul safe in Your hands
I'm safe in Your hands

The Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

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

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily | The Rev. Michael Garner

We say the Apostles Creed to affirm our faith using words of the ancient church

The Apostles' Creed

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

In our time of confession we recognize our need for reconciliation with God and with each other. In response to our need God embraces us and calls us beloved.

Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes humanity and invites them to his table.

Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
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.

La paix du Seigneur soit toujours avec vous. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Share a sign of peace in church, online or in your home.

We Celebrate the Eucharist Offering

All that we have is a gift from God. Please consider a donation to

St. Albans, via e-transfer to donate@stalbanschurch.ca, or with a secure credit card donation at

www.stalbanschurch.ca/connect/donations. 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!

I heard the voice of Jesus

say | Traditional

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast.”
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place,
And He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one;
Stoop down and drink and live.”
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world's light.

Look unto me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy days be bright.”

I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till travelling days are done

Prayer over the Gifts

Great and holy God,
accept our offering of labour and love.

May we bring you true and spiritual worship
and be one with you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen

Eucharistic Prayer

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “ Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

“ Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Please feel free to use the language of your choice.

**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 gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Communion

At St Albans, all are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. Communion is received in a series of semi-circles at the front of the church. Please cross your arms over your chest if you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and/or wine. Please also indicate if you would prefer to receive a rice wafer instead of a wheat wafer.

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 My Favourite People | Over The Rhine

All my favourite people are broken

Believe me, my heart should know

Some prayers are better left unspoken

I just want to hold you and let the rest go

All my friends are part saint and part sinner
We lean on each other, try to rise above
We are not afraid to admit we are all still
beginners
We are all late bloomers when it comes to love

All my favourite people are broken
Believe me, my heart should know
Orphaned believers, skeptical dreamers, step
forward
You can stay right here, you don't have to go

Is each wound you've received just a burdensome
gift?

It gets so hard to lift yourself up off the ground
But the poet says we must praise a mutilated
world

We're all working the graveyard shift, might as
well sing along

Cause all my favourite people are broken

Believe me, my heart should know
As for your tender heart, this world's going to rip
it wide open,
It ain't gonna be pretty, but you're not alone

All my favourite people are broken
Believe me, my heart should know
Orphaned believers, skeptical dreamers, you're
welcome
Yeah, you're safe right here, you don't have to go

Cause all my favourite people are broken
Believe me, I should know
Some prayers are better left unspoken
I just want to hold you and let the rest go

We Are Sent

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

We pray silently.

God of Love,

your word and sacrament give us food and life.

**May we who have shared in holy things
bear fruit to your honour and glory,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

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

The Blessing | Kari Jobe & Cody Carnes

The Lord bless you

And keep you

Make His face shine upon you

And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face towards you
And give you peace
Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

Sending

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

Announcements

Upcoming Events at St. Albans

Saturday Sept 10 - *Brunch and Clean (10-12noon)*
- Join us at the church to eat, drink coffee and tea and juice, and clean our church. If you know you can come, please let Rev. Michael know, but if you wake up on the 10th and feel like polishing some brass, feel free just to come!

Saturday Sept 17 - *uOttawa Church Crawl* (beginning at 530pm) - The church crawl is our amazing opportunity to share what sort of community St. Albans is to new and returning students. If you would like to be involved, or contribute to the event please reach out to Robyn or Rev. Michael.

Sunday Sept 18 - *welcome back BBQ* - a long standing St. Albans tradition - Join us after the 10am service for food and drink and a chance to get to know both new and returning St. Albanites. If you can help with this event please reach out to Michelle or Rev. Michael.

Thursday Sept 22 - *St. Albans Town Hall (7:30-8:30 pm on Zoom)* - a short town hall to update the parish about various projects in progress around the church, plans for the fall, and a chance to ask Rev. Michael and the Wardens any questions you might have.

October 2nd - *Volunteer fair (after the 10am service)* - come and find out all the ways that you can be involved at St. Albans! Our work as a parish is achieved through the volunteer activities of our community.

In October date tbd - *Parish Retreat* - We will take a saturday morning to gather and consider the last few years, and where St. Albans hopes to go.

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