

June 4, 2023
at 10:00 a.m.

The Booklet

Trinity Sunday
A Celebration of Holy Eucharist

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ST ALBANS

Spirit-Led. Christ-Centred. Contemporary Urban Church

www.stalbanschurch.ca

Welcome to St Albans Church!

We welcome all people, no matter their age, ability, gender, cultural background, sexual orientation, income level or faith tradition to join us as we seek to deepen our relationship with God and each other. Together we're exploring how we are called to serve in the world, right here in downtown Ottawa.

During the service, if you are a breastfeeding parent, you are welcome to breastfeed where you are seated or anywhere else in the church, as you feel comfortable.

We continue to recommend wearing a mask at all times other than when receiving communion, eating/drinking, or speaking into a microphone.

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About this booklet

This booklet is your guide to our worship. You're going to experience and participate in worship through music, prayer, readings, reflections and silence. Every time it's your turn to say or do something, you'll see it here in this booklet (usually in bold). If there are surprises, or you have questions, ask a neighbour.

Participation

Our hope is that everyone gathered will feel able participate in our worship this morning. At various points in the service we may suggest certain postures. But please feel free to adopt whatever posture (standing, sitting, kneeling) is appropriate for you at any time. If you would like to do some sketching or writing during the service, you are most welcome – at the back of the church is our Art Cart, stocked with books and art supplies. The books are communal so please date your work, no need to sign it, but the Art Books will become over time an anthology of our collective experience.

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Dear friends, we gather on traditional Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.

May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

In a spirit of reconciliation, may we always seek to respect the history, spirituality, and culture of First Nations, Metis, and Inuit.

May we do all in our power to support all efforts to establish an equal presence on this land.

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.

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 | St. Francis of Assisi

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,

Oh praise God, Oh Praise God, 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,
Oh praise God, Oh Praise God, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Dear mother earth, who day by day,
Unfolds her blessings on our way, alleluia, alleluia!
The flow'rs and fruits that in thee grow,
let them God's glory also show,
Oh praise God, Oh Praise God, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And everyone, with tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part, alleluia, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
sing praise and cast on God your care,
Oh praise God, Oh Praise God, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness, alleluia, alleluia!
To God all thanks and praise belong!
Join in the everlasting song:
Oh praise God, Oh Praise God, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

We pray silently.

Holy One, whose fingers sculpted sun and moon; Holy Spirit, who brooded over the waters of creation; Holy Word, who lives in us; may we share in your grace, love and communion, so that we may live in your likeness; for you live in unity and diversity, 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: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

what are mortals that you should be mindful of them, their children that you should seek them out?

You have made them but little lower than the angels; you adorn them with glory and honour;

you give them mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under their feet;

all sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and all that walks in the paths of the sea.

O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

The Second Reading: 2 Cor 13:11-13

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Holy, Holy, Holy | Public Domain

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons Blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee. Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty
God in three persons Blessed Trinity
Oh God in three persons Blessed Trinity!

The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

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

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel is read

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily| Rev. Michael

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

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

**I trust 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 trust 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;
God welcomes humanity and invites them to this 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 as it passes by you. To receive an electronic tax receipt, please provide your postal address and email. Thank you! As well, if you would like to be on our mail or email list, or have any other questions or requests, please feel free to place a written note on the offering plate when it is circulated, speak to a fellow congregation member, or send an email to office@stalbanschurch.ca

God is my shepherd
I won't be wanting, I won't be wanting
He makes me rest
In fields of green, with quiet streams

Even though I walk
Through the valley, of death and dying
I will not fear
'Cause You are with me, You are with me

Your shepherd's staff comforts me
You are my feast in the presence of enemies
Surely goodness will follow me, follow me
In the house of God forever

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Prayer over the Gifts

God of mercy and grace,
the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing.

Fill us with good things at your table, so that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and 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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise, because, in the mystery you disclose to us,
you reveal your glory as the glory of your Son and the Holy Spirit:
three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one
God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory.

Therefore with all the company of heaven 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. X2

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

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. X2

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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.”

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

we remember his death,

we proclaim his resurrection,

we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,

that we, made acceptable in him,

may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Please feel free to use the language of your choice.

**Our Creator (Father/Mother) 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.

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

Come and remember who you are here

Do this to remember who I am

Come and remember you belong here

All belong here

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.

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

We Are Sent

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

We pray silently.

**We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in
fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our 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

All Shall Be Well | John Van Deusen

Thank you for the sun
Thank you for the moon
Thank you for the stars at night
and the darkness too

Bless you for your peace
Bless you for your grace
Bless you for your perfect love
and your perfect ways

And all shall be well, all shall be well;
all manner of things shall be well

Use me as you will
remove my selfish pride
Create in me a servant's heart
to bless your holy bride

And when my work is done,
and the seeds are sown,
please receive my spirit Lord
and welcome me home

And all shall be well, all shall be well
all manner of things shall be well
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Sending

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Announcements

Building for the Future - You are invited to join us on June 17th to fundraise for the masonry project and to celebrate all the hard work that has contributed to its success. Doors will open at 4:15, tours of St Albans and Centre 454 will begin at 4:30, and the event will begin at 5. We will hear from speakers about the importance of this masonry project, listen to Sarah and other St Albans musicians, enjoy some food and drinks, and reach our fundraising goal to support the masonry project!

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