

THE PARISH OF CAMPBELLFORD,
HASTINGS AND ROSENEATH



CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN

MAY 21ST, 2023 ~ 9:00 AM
ASCENSION SUNDAY

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We are a congregation committed to the establishment of a place and presence in which to worship God, proclaim his kingdom, and make known the love of God in Christ Jesus through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We Gather As God's People

WELCOME: If you are visiting us - Welcome!

Leader Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age. Matthew 28.19, 20

HYMN # 374
ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS HYFRYDOL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader *(Please Stand)*
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.**

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Leader May his grace and peace be with you.
People **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

✠ EXHORTATION

Leader Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

✠ GENERAL CONFSSION *(Kneeling or sitting as you are able)*

Leader Most merciful God,
All 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.

† THE COLLECT OF FORGIVENESS

Leader Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Leader O Lord, open thou our lips;

People **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Leader O God, make speed to save us;

People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

(All Stand)

Leader Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Leader Praise ye the Lord;

People **The Lord's Name be praised.**

† GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION *Ephesians 1:3-7*

All Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with all the spiritual blessings of heaven.

God chose us in Christ before the world was made to be holy and blameless, and to live by his love in his presence.

God planned through Jesus Christ to bring us to himself as his children, that we might praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved.

In Christ we gain redemption; through his blood our sins are forgiven. How rich is the grace of God!

Amen.

We Listen to God's Word

Reader A reading from the book of **Acts**

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand

looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.' ACTS 1:1-11

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Reader A reading of **Psalm 47**

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.

For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great king over all the earth.

He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our king, sing praises.

For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill.

God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.

The nobles of the peoples have gathered together with the people of the God of Abraham.

The rulers of the earth belong to God, and he is highly exalted.

Blessed are you, God of all the earth; you have called us out of every people and nation to be a royal priesthood and citizens of your holy city. May our words of praise call the world to turn to the joy of fellowship with you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† **YOU ARE GOD**

All You are God: we praise you; you are the Lord: we acclaim you; you are the eternal Father: all creation worships you.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you: Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the King of Glory, the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free you did not shun the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come, and be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people, bought with the price of your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting. Amen.

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the **Ephesians**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope

to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. EPHESIANS 1:15-23

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HYMN # 379

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING DARWALL

Please remain standing

† **THE GOSPEL**

Reader A reading from the Gospel of **Luke**

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them,

he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God. LUKE 24:44-53

Reader The Gospel of Christ

People Thanks be to God

† **SERMON** Nancy DeKuyper

ANTHEM I BELIEVE / YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE

(The People are invited to join the choir)

Piet Goemans instrumental accompaniment

I believe for every drop of rain that falls, a flower grows...
I believe that somewhere in the darkest night, a candle
glows...

I believe for every one who goes astray, that God will
come to show the way.

I believe. I believe.

I believe above the storm, a smallest prayer, will still be
heard...

I believe that our Lord, in the heavens above, hears every
word...

Every time I hear a newborn baby cry, or touch a leaf, or
see the sky...

Then I know why, I believe.

When you walk through a storm, hold your head up high,
And don't be afraid of the dark.

At the end of the storm is a golden sky, and the sweet
silver song of a lark.

Walk on through the wind, walk on through the rain
Tho' your dreams be tossed and blown...

Walk on!

Walk on with hope in your heart, and you'll never walk

alone.
You'll never walk alone. I believe...I believe...I believe.

We Respond to God's Word

† **THE APOSTLES' CREED** *(Please stand)*

Reader Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
All 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**

Intercessor Let us pray. *(Kneeling or sitting as you are able)*
Lord, have mercy upon us.

People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Intercessor Lord, have mercy upon us.

† **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *(SAID)*

Intercessor And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as

it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

† **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Intercessor Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

† **COLLECTS FOR PEACE AND GRACE**

Intercessor O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the power of the Risen Lord who intercedes on our behalf, let us pray, saying: Lord, hear our prayer. That we might be your faithful witnesses, even to the ends of the earth, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That Christians everywhere might ask the Spirit of God to rule their lives, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That repentance and forgiveness of sins might be preached to the nations, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That those who are paralyzed by fear or doubt might be healed and renewed, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That all who are destitute and all who are ill especially Albert, Anne-Marie, Brian, Caroline, Connie, David, Doug M., Drew P., Francois, Jennifer, Karen, Marie-Eve, Mike, Ottley, Pearl, Susan and Tom might share in God's good life, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor That we might learn to trust in the immeasurable greatness of God's power at work in us who believe, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Today in our Anglican Cycle of prayer we pray for St. Hilary, Cooksville, its community garden, weekly food cupboard and holiday hampers, backpacks and school supplies for children in Mississauga and Ghana, knitted items for patients at Trillium Hospital, bed mats, and international relief efforts for natural disasters; for St. Hugh and St. Edmund, and its community youth ministry; and for St. James Cathedral, its drop-in for homeless and street-involved people, refugee sponsorship, participation in HUB and support of local agencies providing care to the homeless, under-housed and under-served, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor In this Community of Campbellford we offer our prayers for Free Methodist Church, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor In our own Deanery of Peterborough we offer our prayers for Youth Co-ordinators for Trent-Durham Area, Cormac Culkeen & Rose St. Thomas, we pray:

People Lord, hear our prayer.

God of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we celebrate the ascension of your Son, teach us to trust that he lives to intercede on our behalf, now and forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN # 383
JESUS SHALL REIGN WHERE'ER THE SUN DUKE STREET

† **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Leader Eternal God,

All our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† **GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

All Almighty God,

Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to

your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

† PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

All Almighty God,
you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

† GRACE

All The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

[We Are Empowered For Mission](#)

† BLESSING

† BENEDICTION HYMN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

H YMN # 482

COME AND JOURNEY WITH A SAVIOUR BEACH SPRING



Today's Readers

1st Lesson OT	Lillian Adams
Psalm	Marlene Dooher
2nd Lesson	John Moroz
Gospel	Nancy DeKuyper
Prayers	Ann Chambers

Next Week's Readers May 28th

1st Lesson OT	Piet Goemens
Psalm	Ann Cahmbers
2nd Lesson	Shelli Jeffs
Gospel	Rev. Bryce Sangster
Prayers	Shelli Jeffs

*We would like to thank June Seaborn for
being our pianist this morning.*

Its our **Annual Arbor Day**
 May 22 starting at 8:00am
 Please come out and help
 us clean up the Church
 Grounds



THE VOICE IS CALLING!

We are already planning our September issue.
 If you have an article, announcement, a recipe or a personal
 story that you would like to contribute,
 Please send your submission via email to either Larry
 Ricciardelli at larryricc@gmail.com or to Drew Simpson at
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Please feel free to contact Larry (905) 730-8280 if you have
 any questions.

At St. George, Hastings

♦ **Rummage Sale May 26 & 27th, 9am - 2pm**
See our Bulletin Board for all the details.

Next Sunday May 28th, 2023 Rev. Bryce Sangster
 Day of Pentecost ~ Holy Communion

Readings

ACTS 2:1-21 PSALM 104:25-35, 37 1 CORINTHIANS
 12:3B-13

JOHN 7:37-39

Bible readings are taken from The New Revised Standard Version.

Memorial Flowers:

Anyone wishing to order memorial/dedication flowers for
 the altar please contact Shelli Jeffs at 905-242-1358

Christ Church Office Hours: 9:00am - 3:00pm, Tuesday - Friday
Closed between 12:00 - 1:00pm

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