

*Welcome to St. Aidan's--we are blessed by your presence today! Hymns are found in the blue "Common Praise" book.
We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People.*

The Gathering of the Community

Hymn 355 v.1-4: All Creatures of Our God and King

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

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

Risen Christ, your wounds declare God's love for the world and the wonder of your risen life gives us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from Acts

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

ACTS 11:1-18

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 148

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; **praise God in the heights.**

Praise the Lord all you angels; **sing praises, all you heavenly host.**

Praise the Lord, sun and moon; **sing praises, all you shining stars.**

Praise the Lord, heaven of heavens, **sing praises, you waters above the heavens.**

Let them praise the name of the Lord; **who gave the command and they were created,**

Who made them stand fast for ever and ever, **who gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

Praise the Lord from the earth, **you sea-monsters and all deeps;**

Fire and hail, snow and fog, **tempestuous wind, doing God's will;**

Mountains and all hills, **fruit trees and all cedars;**

Wild beasts and all cattle, **creeping things and winged birds;**

Sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, **princes and all rulers of the world;**

Young men and young women, **old and young together.**

Let them praise the name of the Lord, **whose name only is exalted, whose splendour is over earth and heaven.**

The Lord has raised up strength for this people **and praise for all loyal servants,**

The children of Israel, **a people who are near to the Lord. Hallelujah!**

A Reading from Revelation

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

REVELATION 21:1-6

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession: *Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!*

The Holy Gospel

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

JOHN 13:31-35

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Procession: *Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Homily

Creed Hymn 44 (Tune 425)

The Prayers of the People

Response: Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for Lynn, Warren, Terence, Emma, Jeff, Erma, Sarah.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn 414: God of the Sparrow

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer One

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.** [...]

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:

(Sung) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. [...]

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.** [...]

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

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross. **Now we are raised to new life.**

We were buried in your tomb. **Now we share in your resurrection.**

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The gifts of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Communion

For Communion from the Pews, tell our Sidesperson, or raise your hand; otherwise, Communion is offered at Altar Rail.

Prayer after Communion

God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, 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.

Blessing and Dismissal

May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Hymn 418: Draw the Circle Wide

Giving Thanks: A huge thank you to Margaret Bradford and Christine Stecyk for organizing St Aidan's new Photo Directory-- and to the 60+ families, 11 groups, and 2 dogs for participating! The Directory will be ready to enjoy this fall.

St Aidan's Next Generation: If you are between the ages of 16 and 45, you are part of St Aidan's Next Gen--a group of young adults who love God, and love fun, too! Please speak with Rev. Rosemary about our next gathering in May.

Parish Council on Wednesday: Have a topic that you'd like Council to explore? Contact the Wardens or Rev. Rosemary!

Cole Education Fund: Application forms are now available for grants toward the cost of post-secondary education for young people of St. Aidan's. To be eligible for financial assistance from this fund, the applicant must demonstrate financial need; be identifiably involved in the life of St. Aidan's by service and/or attendance; and be accepted by a post-secondary education or training institution. Call or email the office for a copy of the application form.

Forms must be submitted electronically by Friday, June 6.

Annual Spring Blessings Fundraiser: You are invited to contribute \$25 (or multiples of \$25) to 'Spring Blessings' and receive one or more colourful cut-outs to display on the wall in the Link. The cut-outs can display your name, the name of loved ones, the 'blessing' you are thankful for and/or 'Anonymous'. You will also receive a tax receipt worth approximately 46% tax savings on your donation. Purchase yours in the Link after church, stop by the church office during weekday office hours or mail your donation to 955 Wingate Drive, Ottawa, ON K1G 1S9.

Special Gift to St Aidan's: Last fall, Lise Gervais won eight passes to play golf at The Meadows Golf & Country Club, 32 dozen used golf balls and various other golf related accessories. Since Lise is not a golfer, she has donated the entire package to St Aidan's to use as a fundraiser. We all join in a big shoutout to Lise for her generosity! To date we have raised \$400.00 by selling the golf passes and eight dozen golf balls. This leaves us with 24 dozen golf balls which we are making available to anyone at \$5.00 a dozen. They will be available in Lindisfarne Hall after Sunday services for the rest of the month of May. For more information, contact Peter Martin at 613 824 4961.

Opt-Out of Boxes: Are you on PAR and or never use your Offering Box? You can now opt-out of receiving Offering Boxes you never use! Simply call the office at 613 733-0102 or email us at staidans@bellnet.ca with your name and box number. Your number will be moved to a higher number, and you will still receive your tax receipt as usual. **Please reply by June 15th.**

Wooden Crosses: Every Sunday, members of the congregation are provided the opportunity to make a donation to St Aidan's, which become part of our Offertory to God. The act of giving is an essential part of our Christian stewardship. Many of us donate through monthly Pre-Authorized Remittances (PAR) or Electronic Transfers, so do not place physical envelopes on the Offertory Plate. However, we can still feel part of the Offertory by taking one of the Wooden Crosses in the box in the Narthex, and placing it on the plate when it is passed. In this way, the Offertory will reflect all of us!

Heat Pump for the Hall: St Aidan's now has A/C and heating to -15 c in Lindisfarne Hall! Thanks to Chuck for all the research, Parish Council for the support, and the Goodwin Bequest for making this improvement possible.

St Aidan's BCP Eucharist Service is on Wednesdays at 10:00, all are welcome to join us at 10:30 for Coffee Time.

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Intercessor: Ruth Alberts
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