

*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 60: I Come with Joy

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.

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.

O God, from your providing hand even the dissatisfied and grumbling receive what they need for their lives. Teach us your ways of justice and lead us to practise your generosity, so that we may live a life worthy of the gospel made known through your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from Exodus

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him - what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'" In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

EXODUS 16:2-15

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

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name; **make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.**
Sing to the Lord, **sing praises, and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord.**
Glory in the holy name; **let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**
Search for the strength of the Lord; **continually seek the face of God.**
Remember the marvels the Lord has done, **the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord,**
O offspring of Abraham the servant of God, **O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.**
You led out your people with silver and gold; **in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.**

Egypt was glad of their going, **because they were afraid of them.**
You spread out a cloud for a covering **and a fire to give light in the night season.**
They asked, and quails appeared, **and you satisfied them with bread from heaven.**
You opened the rock, and water flowed, **so the river ran in the dry places.**
For you, O God, remembered your holy word **and Abraham your servant.**
So you led forth your people with gladness, **your chosen with shouts of joy.**
You gave your people the lands of the nations, **and they took the fruit of others' toil,**
That they might keep your statutes **and observe your laws. Hallelujah!**

A Reading from Philippians

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well - since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

PHILIPPIANS 1:21-30

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

Gospel Procession (CP315): **Sing praises, all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord.**
Sing praises, all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord!

The Holy Gospel

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.**

Jesus said, "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

MATTHEW 20:1-16

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

Sermon

Creed Hymn 44

The Prayers of the People

Response: Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

We pray for Lynn, Sandra, Joyce, Terence, Olu, David, Laurie, Jennifer, Kathryn, Chris.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners 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 of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn 56: I am the Bread, the Bread of Life

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer (Salal and Cedar, Adapted for Local Use, Used with Permission)

May God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Creator.**

Let us thank the Giver of Life. **It is right to give our thanks and praise. [...]**

Together with angels and ancestors, lake and river, deer and coyote, birch tree and cedar,

we join our voices with all of creation as we sing: ***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might; heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.***

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest. [...]

All honour and glory are yours, Creator, Saviour, and Spirit, now and in the world to come. **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

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

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

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your 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

Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same 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.

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

Hymn 565: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

After worship, all are welcome to Coffee Time in Lindisfarne Hall!

St Aidan's Monthly Sunday School! Sunday School will be held in Lindisfarne Hall on the second Sunday of each month.

Warm Hearts, Warm Church - St Aidan's Heating Repair Project! This past week, St Aidan's Parish Council and Territorial Archdeacon approved the \$61,944.34 Heating Repair Project. The generous people of St Aidan's have already raised an incredible \$56,800 towards this cost. **Join St Aidan's as we raise the remaining \$4444.34--sharing the warmth of our hearts to restore the warmth in our church!** Please designate your envelopes, cheques, E-Transfers, and donations for "Warm Hearts, Warm Church". Tax receipts will be issued for donations above \$20. ***The campaign ends on Sunday, October 11th.***

Yuletide Bazaar: The date for the Bazaar this year is Saturday November 14. This is an important event both for community building and fundraising. There will be a planning meeting for on Sunday September 20 after church in Lindisfarne Hall. Please come if you would like to find out more. Convenors are still needed for several areas. Items to donate can be brought to the church after October 11 as there is limited space to store things at present.

Wednesday Eucharist and Coffee Time is back! Note that there is no Service or Gathering on September 30th.

St Aidan's Walk/Bike for Belong Ottawa: Belong Ottawa is a Community Ministry of our Anglican Diocese, and consists of three downtown drop-in programs: Centre 454, St Luke's Table, and the Well. These incredible communities provide safety, dignity, and connection to those facing homelessness, poverty, and isolation. St Aidan's is thrilled to again be the location for Belong Ottawa's "Ride for Refuge" Fundraiser on Saturday, October 3rd. **We are looking for a Team Captain for the St Aidan's Angels Team--please speak with Rev. Rosemary if you are interested! If you can volunteer at the event, connect with Belong Ottawa's organizers here: rideforrefuge.org/location/ottawa1**

October 4th at 9:30: The Feast of Saint Francis - Bring Your Pets to Church Day! All are invited to bring their pets (and/or a photo of them) to our 9:30 Sunday service on October 4th, as we celebrate Saint Francis and give thanks to God for our furry companions. For everyone's comfort, one portion of the church will be designated a Pet-Free zone.

National Day of Truth and Reconciliation - St Aidan's 2026 Opportunities for Reflection: Lunch and Learn Webinars by the National Centre of Truth and Reconciliation, *Remembering the Children: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation* commemorative gathering, and a "Historical Sketch for Anglican Residential Schools." See our Poster on the Bulletin Board or on staidansottawa.com for more information.

All are welcome on Wednesdays for BCP Eucharist at 10:00 am, and/or Coffee Time at 10:30 am!

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