

*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 474: Jesus, Where're Thy People Meet

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 of salvation, we come to you in joy, for you have heard the prayers of the poor and raised up the lowly. Pour out your Spirit on young and old alike, so that our dreams and visions may bring justice and peace to the world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from Joel

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

JOEL 2:23-32

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

Psalms 65

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; **to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.**
To you that hear prayer **shall all flesh come.**
Our sins are stronger than we are, **but you will blot out our transgressions.**
Happy are they whom you choose **and draw to your courts to dwell there!**
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, **by the holiness of your temple.**
Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, **O God of our salvation,**
O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.
You make fast the mountains by your power; **they are girded about with might.**
You still the roaring of the seas, **the roaring of their waves, and the clamour of the peoples.**
Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvellous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
You visit the earth and water it abundantly; **you make it very plenteous;**
The river of God is full of water. **You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.**
You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; **with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**
You crown the year with your goodness, **and your paths overflow with plenty.**

May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, **and the hills be clothed with joy.**
May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing.

A Reading from Second Timothy

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8, 16-18

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

Gospel Procession: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the Risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

The Holy Gospel

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.**

Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

LUKE 18:9-14

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

Homily

Creed Hymn 44

Tune 44

The Prayers of the People

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

We pray for Lynn, Ruth, David, Sylvy, Jane, Meredith, Sandra, Judy, Nina, Bill.

We give thanks for the life of Avelino Mendoza, beloved father of Pam Mendoza-Gover.

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 615: Just As I Am

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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. 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. [...]*

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, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name 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

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.
So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

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

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name 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.**

May our Creator, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour God's blessing upon all things created; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

Hymn 606: There's A Wideness in God's Mercy

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

St Aidan's Annual Pledge Campaign: Renewing Our Promise to St Aidan's in 2026! How God is calling us to strengthen our commitment to this wonderful parish next year? Let St Aidan's know by completing your Pledge Form by October 26th, and returning it to the box in St Hilda's room. Thanks to the 20+ households who have already returned their forms!

Neighbourhood Bible Study: Join our local churches as we explore Women in the Bible, every Wednesday at 1:00 pm in November (Nov. 5: St Aidan's, Nov. 12: Martin Luther, Nov. 19: St Aidan's, Nov. 26: Martin Luther).

Contemplative Evening Prayer Service: Thursday, November 6 at 7:00pm come to a contemplative prayer service. Quiet your mind in the peacefulness of our beautiful sanctuary in the evening. Prayer, scripture, music, silence.

St Aidan's 2025-2026 Book Study: We will be exploring the life of Jesus through the eyes of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Paul as told by Thomas Cahill in his book "Desire of the Everlasting Hills". There will be 8 bi-weekly sessions, 3 before Christmas and 5 after, on Saturday mornings. Please speak with Peter Martin to learn more!

Yuletide Bazaar: The Yuletide Bazaar is only 3 weeks away! The Bazaar is a great community building event and a major fundraiser for the year. It is hoped that everyone can participate. Please check the volunteer sign-up sheets in the Link. Posters are now available. Please take one and help spread the word. Donations for the Online and Silent Auctions can now be brought in. We are looking for new or gently used items. Some items may be combined to make up attractive baskets. Wine is a frequent item to be used in baskets. Donations must be received by Oct. 30 to be included in the Online Auction. For other tables please hang on to your donations until Nov. 2. There are containers for your baking items on the table outside Lindisfarne Hall. Contact Chris Drinkwater (Christine.drinkwater@gmail.com or 613-371-0716) for more information.

St. Aidan's Merch: Now available! All items are Gildan brand and will be blue featuring our new logo in white. Items available include: Youth t-shirt \$14, Adult t-shirt \$15, sweatshirt \$24, hoodie \$32, zipped hoodie \$42. Payment must be made when you place your order and can be made by cash, cheque or credit/debit cards. If you have any questions, contact Debbie Trickey at 613-797-5219 or dwtrickey@rogers.com.

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