



**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost:
Year C ~ Proper 16
August 24, 2025
Services
7:00 A.M. & 9:00 A.M.**

“To be a guiding light of Christ’s grace, justice, freedom and love”.

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7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

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Lay Eucharist Minister: Mrs. Valdine Browne

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude

Welcome

Introit Hymn 661

Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's re-creation of the new day!

*Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965), alt., from The Children's Bells,
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Opening Sentence "General" Page 100
"Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ." (*Philippians 1:2*)

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PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL:

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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ALL:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

THE KYRIES

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord:
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

The Collect:

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“The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 16”

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

(Please sit)

First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Deidre Cox

9:00 A.M. ~ Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Jeremiah, the first chapter, beginning at the fourth verse.

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how
to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to
me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my
mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over
kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 71:1-6 *(TO BE READ)*

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- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;
*
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,
*
from the clutches of the evildoer and the
oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *
my confidence since I was young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was
born;
from my mother's womb you have been my
strength; *
my praise shall be always of you.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now: and shall be forever.
Amen.

(Please sit)

Second Lesson: Hebrews 12:18-29

Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Marcia Oxley
9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Small

A reading from the Word of God written in the Letter of Paul
to the Hebrews, the twelfth chapter, beginning at the
eighteenth verse.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, as able)

The Gradual Hymn ~ 530

Master, speak! Thy servant heareth,
waiting for thy gracious word,
longing for thy voice that cheereth;
Master, let it now be heard,
I am listening, Lord, for thee;
what hast thou to say to me?

Speak to me by name, O Master!
Let me know it is to me;
speak, that I may follow faster,
with a step more firm and free,
where the shepherd leads the flock
in the shadow of the rock.

Master, speak! Though least and lowest,
let me not unheard depart;
Master, speak! For O thou knowest
all the yearning of my heart;
knowest all its truest need;
speak, and make me blest indeed.

Master, speak! And make me ready,
when thy voice is truly heard,
with obedience glad and steady
still to follow every word
I am listening, Lord, for thee:
Master, speak, O speak to me!

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17
Gospeller: The Rev'd Re-Shan A. White

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke, the thirteenth chapter, beginning at the tenth verse.

ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.

(Please sit)

The Sermon:

7:00 A.M. The Rev'd Erma Ambrose

9:00 A.M. The Rev'd Canon George Knight

(Please stand, as able)

The Nicene Creed

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We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen or unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in Being with the Father.
Through Him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit
He was born of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, died and was buried.

On the third day He rose again
in fulfilment of the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.

With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

AN INTERCESSION Form “D”

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Intercessors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Donnah Russell

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Shaquan Pompey

LEADER:

Our Heavenly Father has promised through our Lord Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. Let us therefore pray for the Church and the World, and let us thank God for His goodness.

Silence may be kept.

We pray for the Church of God in every place; especially for

this diocese, our Bishop Michael, Senior Bishop Philip and for wisdom and discernment in the election of the next Archbishop of the Church in the Province of the West Indies; for Wilfred, retired Bishop of Croydon, for Rufus retired Bishop of this Diocese, and John retired Bishop of Barbados and retired Archbishop of the Church in the Province of the West Indies; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia; we also pray for the Anglican presence in the civil parish of St. Andrew as it observes “We Gatherin’”, for Curtis, priest at St. Andrew Parish Church, and for Fequel of the parish of St. Simon and St. Saviour; and all the people of God.

ALL:

Strengthen your Church to carry forward the work of Christ; that we and all who confess your Name may unite in truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

LEADER:

We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, especially those at war: Russia and Ukraine, and Israel and Palestine; countries where there is civil war: Ethiopia, Myanmar and Sudan; and for all peoples in their various callings.

ALL:

Direct this nation and all the nations in the ways of justice and truth. Give wisdom to all in positions of public trust and authority; that they may promote the prosperity, godliness and peace of your people everywhere.

LEADER:

We pray for our own community, for this parish: especially those celebrating birthdays this week, namely Joyanne and Clorine; and for couples celebrating an anniversary of marriage, and for our families, friends, and all who live and work with us.

ALL:

Give grace to all our friends and neighbours in Christ, that we may serve Him in one another and grow together in His love.

LEADER:

We pray for the poor, the sick, the unemployed, people who are disabled; all who have requested our prayers and all who seek the prayers of the Church in their time of trouble.

ALL:

Give healing and strength to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and sustain all those who remember and care for them.

LEADER:

We commemorate the departed; especially Blair Murray and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time; help us to rejoice in the knowledge that they live with you now in the fullness of heaven's joy.

ALL:

We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the

faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom.

Silence is kept.

LEADER:

Accept these prayers, O Lord our God, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

ALL: Amen.

ACT OF PENITENCE

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DEACON:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *(1 John 1:8,9)*

A period of silence shall be kept.

DEACON:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

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ALL

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that

we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name.

ALL: *Amen.*

THE ABSOLUTION

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PRESIDENT:

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 life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

THE GREETING OF THE PEACE “A”

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PRESIDENT:

We are the Body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptised into one Body and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL:

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

Jill Jackson-Miller and Sy Miller in 1955

(Please sit)

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Hymn ~ 528

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
in living echoes of thy tone;
as thou hast sought, so let me seek
thine erring children lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
the wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

O strengthen me, that while I stand
firm on the Rock, and strong in thee,
I may stretch out a loving hand
to wrestlers with the troubled sea.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
the precious things thou dost impart,
and wing my words, that they may reach
the hidden depths of many a heart.

O give thine own sweet rest to me,
that I may speak with soothing power
a word in season, as from thee,
to weary ones in needful hour.

O fill me with thy fullness, Lord,
until my very heart o'erflow
in kindling thought and glowing word,
thy love to tell, thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me,
just as thou wilt, and when, and where;
until thy blessed face I see,
thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879)

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER “B”

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PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through

your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God: *(Go to page 130)*

PROPER PREFACE ~ “Of God the Father” Page 130

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. *(Go to page 131)*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

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!**

(Please sit or kneel as able)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING “C”

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PRESIDENT:

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 and truth,
out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

For, on the night that He was betrayed
He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you,
He broke it and gave it to His disciples
and said: “Take this, and eat it:

This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And 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.”

PRESIDENT:

Therefore, Father, according to His command:

ALL:

We remember His death;
We proclaim His resurrection;
We await His coming in glory.

PRESIDENT:

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 the city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
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 Father, now and ever.

ALL: Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL:

**Our Father 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 forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD “A”

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PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL:

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all
share in one bread.**

THE COMMUNION

*(All baptised members of the Church, as inspired, may come
to the altar and receive Holy Communion)*

The Invitation “Form “A”

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DEACON:

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL:

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Grant gracious Lord that we may so eat the flesh of your

dear Son, Jesus Christ, and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. *Amen.*

THE AGNUS DEI

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

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

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



The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion

The Communion Hymns ~ 462 & 626

Be not dismayed whate'er betide,
God will take care of you;
beneath his wings of love abide,
God will take care of you.

Refrain:

*God will take care of you,
through every day, o'er all the way;
he will take care of you,
God will take care of you.*

Through days of toil when heart doth fail,
God will take care of you;

when dangers fierce your path assail,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

All you may need he will provide,
God will take care of you;
nothing you ask will be denied,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

No matter what may be the test,
God will take care of you;
lean, weary one, upon his breast,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

Words: Civilla Durfee Martin (1869-1948)

Hymn ~ 626

We hail thy presence glorious,
O Christ our great High Priest,
o'er sin and death victorious,
at thy thanksgiving feast:
as thou art interceding
for us in heaven above,
thy church on earth is pleading
thy perfect work of love.

Through thee in every nation

thine own their hearts upraise,
offering one pure oblation,
one sacrifice of praise:
with thee in blest communion
the living and the dead
are joined in closest union,
one Body with one Head.

*O living bread from heaven,
Jesu, our Saviour good,
who thine own self hast given
to be our souls' true food;
for us thy body broken
hung on the cross of shame:
this bread its hallowed token
we break in thy dear name.

*O stream of love unending,
poured from the one true vine,
with our weak nature blending
the strength of life divine;
our thankful faith confessing
in thy life-blood outpoured,
we drink this cup of blessing
and praise thy name, O Lord.

May we thy word believing
thee through thy gifts receive,
that, thou within us living,
we all to God may live;
draw us from earth to heaven
till sin and sorrow cease,

forgiving and forgiven,
in love and joy and peace.

Words: Richard Godfrey Parsons (1882-1948)

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER “A”

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Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

THE BLESSING ~ “*Pentecost*”

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The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the word and works of God; and the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you this day and forever more.

ALL: *Amen.*

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Recessional Hymn ~ 332

Lord, you give the great commission:
‘Heal the sick and preach the word.’
Lest the church neglect its mission,
and the Gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose

with renewed integrity;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service:
'In my name baptize and teach.'
That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervour, draw us
closer in community;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy:
'This my body, this my blood.'
Let us all, for earth's true glory,
daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us
share your children's liberty;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure:
'Father, what they do, forgive.'
Yet we hoard as private treasure
all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us
to a just society;
with the Spirit's gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring:
‘I am with you to the end.’
Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity;
With the Spirit’s gifts empower us
for the work of ministry.

*Words: Jeffrey W. Rowthorn (1934-).
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THE DISMISSAL

DEACON:

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen.



The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 16

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Comment: *“Jeremiah called to be a prophet”*

From the Hebrew scriptures we hear **the story of the calling of Jeremiah to be a prophet of the Lord.** Jeremiah protests that he is inadequate to the task, but the Lord promises to be with him. He has been chosen to prophesy destruction and exile for Judah. Yet he will also help his people find faith that can survive without city and sanctuary until they are one day brought back to Jerusalem.

Psalm 71:1-6

A prayer that God will continue to be one's refuge and stronghold.

The Second Lesson (The Epistle): Hebrews 12:18-29

Comment: *"You have come to the city of the living God and to Jesus"*

In this epistle lesson **disciples are said to stand, not before Mount Sinai, but before Mount Zion of the heavenly Jerusalem. Theirs is an unshakable kingdom.** The covenant at Sinai was made in terror. Through the covenant brought about by Jesus' sacrifice, the new people become God's children. Not to heed the voice of Christ, however, is more dangerous than it was not to hear God's words spoken through Moses. The God of fire who shook the earth at Sinai will shake earth and heaven once more. Only what is unshaken will remain.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

Comment: *"Jesus heals a cripple woman on the sabbath and is condemned"*

In our Gospel lesson **Jesus, on the sabbath day, heals a long-suffering woman from an infirmity she has had for many years.** The effect of Jesus' laying on of hands is immediate. Rather than rejoicing at the blessing received by the woman, the official in the place of worship protests Jesus' trespass against one traditional understanding of sabbath regulations, an argument apparently current in Jesus' time. Jesus sharply contrasts these rules with the kindness routinely shown to animals, shaming the official and causing all to marvel at his words and deeds.



CATHEDRAL NEWS

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: The ministry, mission and maintenance of the Cathedral is supported primarily by its members' contributions weekly and monthly. However, contributions are appreciated from anyone. An invitation is extended to all visitors and well-wishers to support the financial needs of this sacred place. Please donate to St. Michael's Cathedral, Bridgetown, St. Michael.

Friends and well-wishers may write to stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com or call 1 246-427-0790 for more details. Meantime, donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael's Cathedral, CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account # 2719302; Transit # 09606.

1. BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS - CATHEDRAL REVITALIZATION 2024 and BEYOND: Mission – Ministry - Maintenance - Money.

- I. This campaign aims to revitalize the Cathedral's heritage; to strengthen congregational vitality; and to build the Church for tomorrow. All are invited to get involved and to recommend the programme to others, especially persons who were nurtured in this sacred place.
- II. Further to a recent meeting of the Parochial Church Council, members are asked to consider the following projects in pursuance of our goals. They are as follows:

- 1) Streaming Equipment Foundational Setup - \$35,000.00
- 2) Repairs to the Southern Balcony - \$59,400.00
- 3) Repairs to the Chapter Room - \$12,750.00
- 4) Repairs to five (5) Windows in the Nave - \$17,500.00
- 5) Purchase of a Photocopier - \$18,346.45
(acquired)
- 6) Rentokil Treatment to safeguard the building from the influx of pigeons - \$28,000.00
(Completed)
- 7) Ceiling Light fittings for the Southern Balcony – (\$2,000.00)
- 8) A pair of Processional Torches (\$2,500.00)
(donated and to be dedicated)

Thanks to all who have made donations towards this appeal. We expect to begin work on the windows very soon.



***Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays
this week ~ August 24 to 30, 2025
24 Mrs. Joyanne Blackman-Jarvis***

25 Mrs. Clorine Weekes-Holmes



May God bless and strengthen you.



SICK: Please remember the sick or injured of our Parish and wider community, especially Daphne Browne, Margaret Browne, Colleen Byer, Darwin Clarke, Heather Coward-Downes, The Most Rev'd Drexel Gomez, Alice P. Hall, Martin Haynes, Beverley Hinds, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Judy King, Marlene Moore, Clyde Outram, Gloria Regis, Sylvester (Blues) Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Claudette Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Arlington Watson, The Rt. Rev'd Dr. Sir Wilfred Wood, Basil Worrell, and Ernesta Yarde.



ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE:

Heartiest congratulations to Mr. Stephen Jarvis and Mrs. Joyanne Blackman-Jarvis on their 21st anniversary of marriage on August 28, 2025.



DIOCESAN NEWS

POST-CONFIRMATION YOUTH FORUM 2025

Post-Confirmation Youth Forum: The Youth Liaison, the Rev'd Jilian Crawford Officer will host a Post-Confirmation Forum on August 30, 2025, for youth between the ages of 12-19, who were confirmed between the years 2019 – 2024. The theme for the forum is “**Rooted in Faith and Growing in Christ**”. The venue is Codrington College, St. John. Registration Forms are available from the Ushers' desk.



Canons in the Cathedral Series 2025

Members are asked to note that the series, “Canons in the Cathedral” will continue as follows:

- **Sunday, August 31st** – The Rev'd Canon George A. Harewood, Rector of St. Stephen (of the Stall of St. Aidan).
- **Sunday, September 7th** – The Rev'd Trevor S. O'Neale, Rector of St. Philip Parish Church (of the Stall of St. Augustine)
- **Sunday, September 14th** – The Rev'd Noel A. Burke, Rector of St. David (of the Stall of St. Cyprian).

THEME FOR THE WEEK

***“Our security is in the Lord and what he asks of us today,
not worrying about the future.”***



Sunday, August 24, 2025
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 16 –
Year C

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist



Wednesday, August 27, 2025
10:00 A.M. ~ Morning Prayer and Communion
The Rev'd Re-Shan A. White



Sunday, August 31, 2025
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 17 –
Year C
7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
President & Preacher ~ The Rev'd Michael Haynes



9:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist
President & Preacher ~
The Rev'd Canon George A. Harewood



Gifts, Memorials and Thanksgiving: Members are invited to donate items for use in worship in memory of loved ones who have passed, and to celebrate birthdays, wedding and confirmation anniversaries and other achievements. Donation options may also include: purificators for use at communion, flowers to decorate the church on Sundays or

during the Church's upcoming Patronal Festival in September 2025. To offer your donation, you may contact the Administrative Assistant.

- ❖ Flowers \$200 - \$250 per week
- ❖ Wafers \$60.00 per box
- ❖ Wine \$330.00 per case
- ❖ Votive Candles \$144:00 per case
- ❖ Votive candle holders \$82.50 per case
- ❖ Purificators \$75.00 each
- ❖ Water for Dispenser \$29.40 per bottle



FLEA MARKET: Please note that Ms. Armel Marshall will be coordinating a Flea Market on **Saturday, August 30, 2025**, starting at **8:00 A.M.** Donations of salt fish, as opposed to salt fish bits, are required to make fish cakes, as well as donations are required to purchase pudding and souse for sale on the day. Members are asked to inform Ms. Marshall about their contributions at Tel: 438-2695 or at the Office 427-0790.



**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings
August 24 to 30, 2025**

Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost: <i>Proper 16</i>	Psalms 146, 147 2 Samuel 24:1-2, 10-25 Galatians 3:23—4:7	Psalms 111, 112, 113 Job 4:1-6, 12-21 John 8:12-20
Monday	Psalm 86 Genesis 28:10-17 John 1:43-51	Psalms 15, 67 Isaiah 66:1-2, 18-23 1 Peter 5:1-11
Tuesday	Psalms 5, 6 1 Kings 1:38—2:4 Acts 26:24—27:8	Psalms 10, 11 Job 6:1-4, 8-15, 21 Mark 13:25-37
Wednesday	Psalm 119:1-24 1 Kings 3:1-15 Acts 27:9-26	Psalms 12, 13, 14 Job 6:1; 7:1-21 Mark 14:1-11
Thursday	Psalm 18:1-20 1 Kings 3:16-28 Acts 27:27-44	Psalm 18:21-50 Job 8:1-10, 20-22 Mark 14:12-26
Friday	Psalms 16, 17 1 Kings 5:1—6:1, 7 Acts 28:1-16	Psalm 22 Job 9:1-15, 32-34 Mark 14:27-42
Saturday	Psalms 20; 21:1-7 (8-14) 1 Kings 7:51—8:21 Acts 28:17-31	Psalms 110:1-5(6-7); 116, 117 Job 9:1; 10:1-9, 16-22 Mark 14:43-52 <i>Collect for Proper 17</i>

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