



**The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost:  
Year C ~ Proper 24  
October 19, 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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Saint Michael and All Angels  
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**Sunday, October 19, 2025**  
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**7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist**

**9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Organ Prelude

Welcome

**Introit Hymn ~ 358**

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful name;  
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;  
his kingdom is glorious, he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh: his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.

The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right:  
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,  
all honour and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

*Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

Opening Sentence “*General*” Page 100  
“God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in  
spirit and truth.” (*John 4:24*)

**THE INVOCATION** Page 101

**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 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 24”*

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

**ALL:           And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession 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 31:27-34**

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

**9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Harriett Blackman**

A reading from the Word of God written in the Book of Jeremiah, the thirty-first chapter, beginning at the twenty-seventh verse.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes,  
and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please remain seated)*

**Psalm 119:97-104 Quomodo dilexi!**

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97 Oh, how I love your law! \*  
all the day long it is in my mind.

98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my  
enemies, \* and it is always with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, \*  
for your decrees are my study.

100 I am wiser than the elders, \*  
because I observe your commandments.

101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, \*  
that I may keep your word.

102 I do not shrink from your judgments, \*  
because you yourself have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste! \*  
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

104 Through your commandments I gain  
understanding; \* therefore I hate every lying way.

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 remain seated)*

**Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5**

**Lectors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Victor Small**

**9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison**

A reading from the Word of God written in Paul's Second Letter to Timothy, the third chapter, beginning at the fourteenth verse.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL:       **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand, as able)*

## The Gradual Hymn ~420

O God of Bethel, by whose hand  
thy people still are fed;  
who through this weary pilgrimage  
hast all our fathers led;

Our vows, our prayers, we now present  
before thy throne of grace;  
God of our fathers, be the God  
of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life  
our wandering footsteps guide;  
give us each day our daily bread,  
and raiment fit provide.

O spread thy covering wings around,  
till all our wanderings cease,  
and at our Father's loved abode  
our souls arrive in peace.

*Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)*

## **The Holy Gospel: Luke 18:1-8** **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 eighteenth chapter, beginning at the first verse.

**ALL: Glory to Christ our Saviour.**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

**ALL: Praise to Christ our Lord.**

*(Please sit)*

**The Sermon: The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson**

*(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.**

*(Please sit or kneel)*

**AN INTERCESSION Form “D”** *(Amended)*

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**Intercessors: 7:00 A.M. ~ Ms. Marlene Barrow  
9:00 A.M. ~ Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw**

**LEADER:**

Lord God, as we have celebrated St. Luke’s feast yesterday, so we give thanks for his witness as an Evangelist to the truth of Christ, and pray that, together with the whole Church, we like him would be renewed in our love for all those at the margins of society.

*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 Episcopal Church of the United States of America; we also pray for the Anglican presence in the civil parish of Christ Church as it observes “We Gatherin”, for Mark at Christ Church Parish Church, David at St. Christopher, Wayne at St. Bartholomew, Nicholas at St. Patrick, Noel at St. David,

Sandra at St. Lawrence, and Roslyn at St. Matthias; 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 the maintenance of peace in 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 Owen, Cheryl, Gia, Cyrilene, Nadine, Gloria, Orpah and Jeanette; 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; Sadie Dixon, retired Archbishop Drexel Gomez, Yvonne Mayers, The Rev'd Barclay Stoute, and Arlington Watson, 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.

## **FORM A**

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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.**

*(Please stand)*

## 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

*(During the singing of this hymn worshippers, are encouraged, as inspired, to share tangible expressions such as a hand shake, etc.)*

Hymn 296

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,  
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.  
There are sweet expressions on each face,

and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

***Refrain:***

*Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet Heavenly Dove,  
stay right here with us,  
filling us with your love.  
And for these blessings,  
we lift our hearts in praise,  
without a doubt we'll know  
that we have been revived  
when we shall leave this place.*

There are blessings you cannot receive  
till you know him in his fullness and believe.  
You're the one to profit when you say,  
'I am going to walk with Jesus all the way.

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## **THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **The Offertory Hymn ~ 359**

Ye that know the Lord is gracious,  
ye for whom a corner stone  
stands, of God elect and precious,  
laid that ye may build thereon,  
see that on that sure foundation  
ye a living temple raise,  
towers that may tell forth salvation,  
walls that may re-echo praise.

Living stones, by God appointed  
each to his allotted place,  
kings and priests, by God anointed,  
shall ye not declare his grace?  
Ye, a royal generation,  
tell the tidings of your birth,  
tidings of a new creation  
to an old and weary earth.

Tell the praise of him who called you  
out of darkness into light,  
broke the fetters that enthralled you,  
gave you freedom, peace and sight:  
tell the tale of sins forgiven,  
strength renewed and hope restored,  
till the earth, in tune with heaven,  
praise and magnify the Lord!

*Words: Cyril Argentine Alington (1872-1955)*

## **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 “A”**

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**PRESIDENT:**

All Holy and glorious Father,  
our Creator God,  
we give you thanks  
because in your loving wisdom  
you brought all things into being,  
and are truly worthy of praise  
from every creature you have made.

Again and again  
we have turned away from you;  
yet in every age your steadfast love  
has called us to return,  
to live in union with you:  
for it is your eternal purpose  
to put new life into all things  
and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ  
who took our human nature upon Him  
you have redeemed the world  
from the bondage of sin:  
and by the power of your Holy Spirit  
you have gathered a people to yourself,  
to make known in every place  
His perfect offering which He made  
to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father,  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;  
And grant that these gifts of bread and wine  
may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night 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:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

**ALL:**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father,  
rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation;  
His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice  
made once for all upon the Cross;  
His Mighty Resurrection from the dead;  
His Glorious Ascension into heaven;  
and looking for His Coming in glory;  
we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of  
praise and thanksgiving;  
and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood  
of your Son, our great High Priest,  
may be renewed by your Holy Spirit,  
and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us.  
Unite us with all Bishops,  
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,  
and with the whole people of God,  
living and departed,  
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness,  
that we may be found ready to join the company  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles,  
and all your saints,  
when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again:  
Forever giving you thanks and praise  
through Him for whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him,  
by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father Almighty,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

**All:**

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. 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 ~ 571 & 851

And now, O Father, mindful of the love  
that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,  
and having with us him that pleads above,  
we here present, we here spread forth to thee  
that only offering perfect in thine eyes,  
the only true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

Look, Father, look on his anointed face,  
and only look on us as found in him;  
look not on our misusings of thy grace,  
our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim;  
for lo! Between our sins and their reward  
we set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,  
by this prevailing presence we appeal;  
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,  
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;  
from tainting mischief keep them white and clear,  
and crown thy gifts with strength to persevere.

And so we come; O draw us to thy feet,  
most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;  
and by this food, so awful and so sweet,  
deliver us from every touch of ill:  
in thine own service make us glad and free,  
and grant us never more to part with thee.

*Words: William Bright (1824-1901)*

## Hymn 851

*Each verse is repeated.*

*(Worshippers who desire a blessing for their birthday or marriage anniversary are asked to come to the altar during the signing of this hymn)*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
and his righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God.  
Allelu, alleluia.

Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
seek and ye shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened up to you.  
Allelu, alleluia.

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**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 the truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus 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 ~ 351**

Thy hand, O God, has guided  
thy flock, from age to age;  
the wondrous tale is written,  
full clear, on every page;  
our fathers owned thy goodness,  
and we their deeds record;  
and both of this bear witness:  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Thy heralds brought glad tidings  
to greatest, as to least;  
they bade men rise, and hasten  
to share the great King’s feast;  
and this was all their teaching,  
in every deed and word,  
to all alike proclaiming  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

When shadows thick were falling,  
and all seemed sunk in night,  
thou, Lord, didst send thy servants,  
thy chosen sons of light.  
on them and on thy people  
thy plenteous Grace was poured,  
and this was still their message:  
one church, one faith, one Lord.

Through many a day of darkness,  
through many a scene of strife,  
the faithful few fought bravely,  
to guard the nation's life.  
Their Gospel of redemption,  
sin pardoned, man restored,  
was all in this enfolded:  
One church, one faith, one Lord.

And we, shall we be faithless?  
Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?  
Shall we evade the conflict,  
and cast away our crown?  
Not so: in God's deep counsels  
some better thing is stored;  
we will maintain, unflinching,  
One church, one faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us,  
nor leave thy work undone;  
with thy right hand to help us,  
the victory shall be won;  
and then, by men and angels,

thy name shall be adored,  
and this shall be their anthem:  
One church, one faith, one Lord.

*Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1821)*

## **THE DISMISSAL**

DEACON:

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen.**



## **The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 24 Year C**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 31:27-34**

**Comment:** *“Promise of a new covenant”*

In our Hebrew Bible reading **the prophet foresees a new covenant which God will make with the Lord’s own people, a covenant written not on tablets of stone but on human hearts.** Israel and Judah have broken the covenant that the Lord made when he brought them out of slavery in Egypt. Now they are about to go into exile. Yet the days are coming when their sins will be forgiven, and God will establish a new relationship with them. This covenant will be based not on external law but on an inner knowing of the Lord.

**Psalm 119:97-104**

A celebration of the wisdom that comes from meditation upon God’s law.

**The Second Reading (The Epistle):** 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

**Comment:** *“In the presence of Christ the judge, proclaim the message.”*

In this lesson, **Paul exhorts Timothy to continue calmly and diligently with his ministry, teaching from the scriptures and preaching the word of God.** The passage suggests a period in the life of the church when there were a number of teachers, who called themselves Christians but who presented their own versions of the faith. Now is a time to stress the essentials. Timothy is urged to remain established in what he has been taught and in the scriptures, meaning here the writings of the Old Testament, which are useful for many forms of instruction.

**The Holy Gospel: Luke 18:1-8**

**Comment:** *“The widow begs for justice; God grants justice to those who cry to him.”*

In our Gospel, **Jesus tells a comic parable about a judge who was so pestered by a woman that he finally gave in to her pleas.** The evangelist tells the story in order to commend persistent prayer. It would be particularly appropriate at a time when the people were losing heart. An earlier focus of the parable was probably on the corrupt and impious judge. If even such a man as this will finally render justice, how much more will God hear those who call on God.

## **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](mailto: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.  
Work on the windows has officially been started.



***Congratulations to all those persons celebrating birthdays  
this week ~ October 19 to October 25, 2025***

***19 Mr. Owen McD. Collins***

***Ms. Cheryl A. Ifill***

***20 Ms. Gia T. Ifill***

***21 Ms Cyrilene P. Forde***

***Ms. Nadine Cox Proute***

***23 Ms. Gloria Jackman***

***Mrs. Orpah N. Medford***

*25 Ms. Janette J. M. Hinds*



*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, Winfield Downes, Alice P. Hall, Martin Haynes, Beverley Hinds, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Judy King, Helena Lyte, Marlene Moore, Gloria Regis, Sylvester (Blues) Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Claudette Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, The Rt. Rev'd Dr. Sir Wilfred Wood, Basil Worrell, and Ernesta Yarde.



***THEME FOR THE WEEK***

*“The Lord always invites our perseverance by his constant availability to us.”*





**BEREAVEMENT:** We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late Sadie Dixon, former Archbishop Drexel Gomez, Yvonne Mayers (sister of Ezra Mayers), The Rev'd Barclay Stoute, and Arlington Watson.

We thank God for their lives, work, and witness among us.

**May the bereaved families know the blessedness of those who mourn.**



**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. 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



## DEACONS IN THE CHURCH OF GOD

At an ordination held in the Cathedral on Saturday, October 11, 2025, the feast of St. Philip the Deacon, the following people were ordained Deacons, with their assignments bracketed:

- Mr. Richard Alleyne (The Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels)
- Mr. Reudon Eversley (St. Joseph and St. Aidan)
- Mrs. Stephanie Gooding (St. Barnabas)
- Ms. Michelle Johnson (St. Leonard)
- Ms. Sharon King (St. Lucy)
- Ms. Sharon Power (Christ Church Parish Church)
- Ms. Edith Small (St. Philip Parish Church), and
- Mr. Adzil Stuart (St. George Parish Church)

Heartiest congratulations on their ordination! May God grant them fulfilment in ministry.

### **The Rev'd Richard O. Alleyne:**

A member of St. Barnabas Church until the age of 26 years, The Reverend Richard Orlando Alleyne joined the St. Bartholomew Church Family having married a member of that congregation. At St. Bartholomew he spent about two decades serving as a Sunday School teacher. Educated at Harrison College, the Barbados Community College, The University of the West Indies and the World Maritime University, Deacon Alleyne holds a B.A. in Sociology and Law, a MSc. in Maritime Administration, and is one course

away from completing a BA in Theology. Deacon Richard, 68, served as Harbour Master at the Barbados Port for thirty years until his retirement eight years ago. He is particularly interested in Port Chaplaincy, including to seafarers and port workers, especially those who live in the surrounding area. Reverend Alleyne credits his inspiration to Dean Emeritus William Dixon. He is married and has three adult children. The Reverend Richard Alleyne has been assigned to the Cathedral Church of St. Michael and All Angels, as a Distinctive Deacon under the supervision of The Dean, and tasked with the responsibility of developing and offering a ministry to the seafarers, fishermen and the Barbados Port Authority, effective October 15, 2025. Rev'd Richard, like the other distinctive deacons, will serve the church in a non-stipendiary capacity and will be compensated by the Diocese for his expenses.

A hearty welcome is hereby extended to Deacon Alleyne!



**Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings  
October 19, to October 25, 2025**

| <b>Day</b>  | <b>Morning Readings</b>   | <b>Evening Readings</b>   |
|---|---|---|
| The<br>Nineteenth<br>Sunday after<br>Pentecost:<br><i>Proper 24</i> | Psalms 148, 149, 150<br>Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14<br>Acts 16:6-15                 | Psalms 114, 115<br>Ecclesiasticus 4:1-10<br>Luke 10:1-12, 17-20                             |
| Monday  | Psalm 25<br>Jeremiah 44:1-14<br>1 Corinthians 15:30-41                      | Psalms 9, 15<br>Ecclesiasticus<br>4:20—5:7<br>Matthew 11:16-24                              |
| Tuesday   | Psalms 26, 28<br>Lamentations 1:1-5(6-9)10-<br>12<br>1 Corinthians 15:41-50 | Psalms 36, 39<br>Ecclesiasticus 6:5-17<br>Matthew 11:25-30                                  |
| Wednesday   | Psalm 38<br>Lamentations 2:8-15<br>1 Corinthians 12:51-58                   | Psalm 119:24-48<br>Ecclesiasticus 7:4-14<br>Matthew 12:1-14                                 |
| Thursday  | Psalm 119:145-168<br>Jeremiah 11:18-23<br>Matthew 10:16-22                  | Psalms 122, 125<br>Isaiah 65:17-25<br>Hebrews 12:12-24                                      |
| Friday  | Psalm 31<br>Ezra 3:1-13<br>1 Corinthians 16:10-24                           | Psalm 35<br>Ecclesiasticus 11:2-20<br>Matthew 12:22-31                                      |
| Saturday  | Psalms 30, 32<br>Ezra 4:7, 11-24<br>Philemon 1-25                           | Psalms 42, 43<br>Ecclesiasticus 15:9-20<br>Matthew 12:33-42<br><i>Collect for Proper 25</i> |

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