

**The Anglican Parish of Mississippi Lake
welcomes you to worship with us!**

We gather today on the traditional, unceded territory of the Algonquin people. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

**Sunday, June 26 –
3rd Sunday after Pentecost**

The full order of service we're using today can be found in the Book of Alternative Services on page 185 or one of our worship booklets. Speak to a greeter if you're unsure what we're using this morning.

***Hymns will be announced, and hymn numbers
are posted on the hymn board.***

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love fulfils the law.
May we love you with all our heart,
all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,
and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First reading

A reading from the second book of Kings

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Second reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Galatians 5: 1, 13-25

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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.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Luke 9: 51-62

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Prayers of the People

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone you love, please contact the church office at office@lakesideanglicans.ca or 613-257-3178.

We continue today to pray for peace among nations and peace in Ukraine.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer for Canada, we pray for The Rt. Rev. David Parsons, Bishop, The Rt. Rev's Joey Royal, Annie Ittoshat, and Lucy Netser, Suffragan Bishops, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of the Arctic; The congregations of the northern area of the Saskatchewan Synod.

In our Diocese, we pray for Shane, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; as well as Diocesan staff and senior staff at Ascension House; St. Paul's, Renfrew and the Reverend Carol Hotte; The Parish of West Quebec and the Venerable Eric Morin and the Reverend Susan Lewis; St. Thomas the Apostle, Stittsville and the Reverend Lee Lambert

In our Parish we pray for all those in need of our prayers, especially remembering **Ethel, Joyce, Katie, Regina, Dave, Bonnie, Pam, Marion, Marlene** and any others who we wish to name silently or aloud this morning... *(Short silence)*.

Gathered together as God's people in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation, saying, "Hear our prayer."

God of grace and peace, embrace us again each time we confess our sins and hear the promise of forgiveness. Transform us to extend your gracious welcome to those who come to our doors yearning for you. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Grant wisdom to those who seek to preserve your creation: scientists, farmers, and advocates. Assist all who exercise faithful stewardship of everything you have made. Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Encourage governments and peoples to foster economic justice in all lands. Teach us to eliminate poverty and financial practices that exploit the vulnerable among us. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Provide rest to those who carry with them heavy burdens of fear or uncertainty. Comfort them with your presence. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Refresh teachers and students who are beginning a respite from their labours. Give them joy in work completed, and let them return with a renewed spirit to share knowledge with one another. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.