

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

*We gather this day on traditional Anishinaabe Algonquin territory.  
May we always dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

## Sunday, September 17, 2023 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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### Season of Creation: Let Justice and Peace Flow



The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. Visit <https://seasonofcreation.org> to learn more.

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,  
you call your Church to witness  
that in Christ we are reconciled to you.  
Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may turn to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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## First reading

A reading from the book of Exodus

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

*Exodus 14:19-31*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsive reading

*Our responsive reading today is from Psalm 114. The congregation is invited to respond by reading aloud the verses in bold type.*

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt,  
**the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,**

Judah became God's sanctuary  
**and Israel his dominion.**

The sea beheld it and fled;  
**Jordan turned and went back.**

The mountains skipped like rams,  
**and the little hills like young sheep.**

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled?  
**O Jordan, that you turned back?**

You mountains, that you skipped like rams?  
**you little hills like young sheep?**

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,  
**at the presence of the God of Jacob.**

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water  
**and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

*Psalm 114*

## Second reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

*Romans 14: 1-12*

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## **The Gospel**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

*Matthew 18: 21-35*

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](mailto:office@lakesideanglicans.ca) or 613-257-3178.*

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer** we pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean.

**In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer for Canada**, we pray for The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon; The dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Interior Region of the British Columbia Synod.

**In our Diocese**, we pray for Shane, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; as well as The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, Sacred Circle, the Ministry of Reconciliation and National Indigenous Bishop, The Right Rev. Christopher Harper; Christ Church, Aylmer: The Reverend Robert Sicard; For volunteer university and college campus chaplains; For vocations to the diaconate, the priesthood and religious life.

**In our Parish** we pray for all those in need of our prayers, especially remembering **Trilly, Elizabeth, Stevie, Thomas, Lennon** and any others who we wish to name silently or aloud this morning... *(Short silence)*.

Today, we pray for Ruth Illingworth who has died, and for her family who mourn. Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her.

In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear and have mercy".

We pray for all who confess the name of Christ: fill us with the power of your Holy Spirit. Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear and have mercy.**

We pray for those whose lives are bound in mutual love and for those who live in celibacy: be their joy and their strength. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

For all in danger, for those who are far from home, prisoners, exiles, victims of oppression: grant them your salvation. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

For all who are facing trials and difficulties, for those who are sick and those who are dying: show them your kindness and mercy. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

We pray for one another: may we always be united in service and love. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

We pray to be forgiven our sins and set free from hardship, distress, want, war, and injustice. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

May we discover new and just ways of sharing the goods of the earth, struggling against exploitation, greed, or lack of concern: may we all live by the abundance of your mercies and find joy together. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy.**

May we be strengthened by our communion with all Christ's saints. Let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear and have mercy. Amen.**

## This Week in the Parish: Week of September 18

**Fr. Brian & Fr. Jonathan are away at Clergy Conference Monday to Wednesday. They are reachable at 613-257-1424**

**Tuesday.** Afternoon Social Group. Parish Hall. 2 p.m.

**Wednesday.** St James Breakfast Table. 8:30-10:30 a.m.

**Limited number of Fish Fry tickets for sale in the church office. \$20 each. Saturday, September 23.** Dine in or take out. Advance sales only. Children 11 & under: \$10.

**Octoberfest** with the Bowes Brothers. Friday, October 6.

Tickets: \$25 each. Includes: Oktoberfest sausage, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Black Forest Cake, Tea/Coffee and The Bowes Brothers! Get your tickets at the Church Office or Graham Shoes

**Sunday, October 1. Evensong. 4 pm. St James Carleton Place**

**Saturday, November 11. Snowflake Bazaar:** St. James Carleton Place. **NEW TIME: Noon until 3 pm.** Tables this year will include: Books/puzzles/games; jewellery; knit; sew; baskets; kitchen; re-gift; silent auction.

**St James Carleton Place: Sanctuary Flowers.** Please consider placing flowers in honour of a birthday, anniversary or a loved one. A \$100 donation is suggested and will be on your annual tax receipt. The memorial will then be displayed on the slides during communion. Contact Cathy in the church office or Flora Neave, Altar Guild President.

St James Carleton Place: We have 8 wonderful confirmed soup makers for our **once a month Loaf and Ladle lunch** in the Parish Hall following the 10 am service. If you would like to serve in this ministry from October to March, please contact Kelly Belisle by October 1<sup>st</sup> text/phone 613-451 -3061 or email [Kirkandkelly@sympatico.ca](mailto:Kirkandkelly@sympatico.ca)