

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 1, 2024 15th Sunday after Pentecost

The Collect of the Day

Author and Giver of all good things,
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us in all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
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 Song of Solomon

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive reading

Our responsive reading today is from Psalm 45. The congregation is invited to respond by reading aloud the verses in bold type.

My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king;
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

You are the fairest of men; grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.

Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever,
a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia,
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court;
on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.

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 45: 1-2, 7-10

Second reading

A reading from the letter of James

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act - they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world..

James 1: 17-27

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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 Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola.

In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer for Canada, we pray for The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry; For the Season of Creation which continues in the month ahead and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth.

In our Diocese, we pray for Shane, our Bishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; The Diocese of Jerusalem and Archbishop Hosam Naoum; The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada: Bishop Susan Johnson and Bishop Michael Pryse; St. Bartholomew's, Ottawa: The Reverend Canon Catherine Ascah; For all who labour for the good of our society on this Labour Day weekend; For the new school year, students of all ages, and their teachers and parents.

In our Parish we pray for all those in need of our prayers, especially remembering **Helene, Mary Helen, John, Tom, Ineke, Richard, Pam, Trilly** and any others who we wish to name silently or aloud this morning... *(Short silence)*.

As disciples of Christ Jesus called to love and serve all people, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all God's creation, with the words "Hear our prayer".

God our Truth, by your word you created us to continue your mission. Bless all who hear the word, that we will be doers also. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

God our Treasure, you have given us great wealth and generous resources. Help us use these sensibly, that all creatures may live. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

God our Justice, you dignify our labour by sharing our toil. Grant workers fair employment, adequate income, and safe conditions. Bring an end to the exploitation of children, women, and those most vulnerable. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

God our Compassion, you call us to care for all in need. Hear our prayers for the unemployed, orphans, widows, and all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

God our Life, you gather us together in your name, to send us forth to be your hands and feet in the world. Make us generous in our giving and service to others. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

God our Hope, we give you thanks for those who have made your word known, and now rest from their labours. Today we particularly give you thanks for the life and witness of Jennifer Bulman, and we offer our prayers for her husband Henry Troup with whom she would have celebrated 40 years of marriage today. Give us strength to follow your commandments until we abide with you forever. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers, faithful God, and renew us by your Spirit, that we may joyfully love and serve you and one another, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. **Amen.**

Upcoming Events

Monday, September 2. Church Office closed for Labour Day.

Sunday, September 8. We return to 8 and 10 am services at St James Carleton Place. Clayton returns to 9 am.

Saturday, September 14. Community Breakfast. 9am. St George's Clayton.

Wednesday, September 18. Hot breakfast returns to St James Breakfast Table.

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