

# Church of Saint Simon-the-Apostle

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 12, 2016



8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Celebrant & homilist The Rev'd Andrea Budgey

*The flowers today have been given to the glory of God and  
in loving memory of Sybil and Ian MacLachlan  
by their daughter Marian and her husband David McPherson.*

*Welcome to Saint Simon's!*

*If you're unfamiliar with the liturgy please don't hesitate to ask - other parishioners  
will be happy to help you orient yourself.*

*Please help preserve a prayerful silence before the service.*

## Gathering of the Community

The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer*. The reader this morning is Alice Fox.

### Collect of the Day

*Officiant* Almighty God,  
without thee we are not able to please thee.  
Mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit  
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth  
with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All* Amen.

## Proclamation of the Word

### Old Testament Lesson

*Reader* The first lesson is written in the 21<sup>st</sup> chapter of the 1<sup>st</sup> book of the Kings, beginning at the 1<sup>st</sup> verse.

Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard in Jezreel, beside the palace of King Ahab of Samaria. And Ahab said to Naboth, "Give me your vineyard, so that I may have it for a vegetable garden, because it is near my house; I will give you a better vineyard for it; or, if it seems good to you, I will give you its value in money." But Naboth said to Ahab, "The Lord forbid that I should give you my ancestral inheritance." Ahab went home resentful and sullen because of what Naboth the Jezreelite had said to him; for he had said, "I will not give you my ancestral inheritance." He lay down on his bed, turned away his face, and would not eat.

His wife Jezebel came to him and said, "Why are you so depressed that you will not eat?" He said to her, "Because I spoke to Naboth the Jezreelite and said to him, 'Give me your vineyard for money; or else, if you prefer, I will give you another vineyard for it'; but he answered, 'I will not give you my vineyard.'" His wife Jezebel said to him, "Do you now govern Israel? Get up, eat some food, and be cheerful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite." So she wrote letters in Ahab's name and sealed them with his seal; she sent the letters to the elders and the nobles who lived with Naboth in his city. She wrote in the letters, "Proclaim a fast, and seat Naboth at the head of the assembly; seat two scoundrels opposite him, and have them bring a charge against him, saying, 'You have cursed God and the king.' Then take him out, and stone him to death." The men of his city, the elders and the nobles who lived in his city, did as Jezebel had sent word to them. Just as it was written in the letters that she had sent to them, they proclaimed a fast and seated Naboth at the head of

the assembly. The two scoundrels came in and sat opposite him; and the scoundrels brought a charge against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, "Naboth cursed God and the king." So they took him outside the city, and stoned him to death. Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, "Naboth has been stoned; he is dead." As soon as Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned and was dead, Jezebel said to Ahab, "Go, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give you for money; for Naboth is not alive, but dead." As soon as Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, Ahab set out to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying: Go down to meet King Ahab of Israel, who rules in Samaria; he is now in the vineyard of Naboth, where he has gone to take possession. You shall say to him, "Thus says the Lord: Have you killed, and also taken possession?" You shall say to him, "Thus says the Lord: In the place where dogs licked up the blood of Naboth, dogs will also lick up your blood." Ahab said to Elijah, "Have you found me, O my enemy?" He answered, "I have found you. Because you have sold yourself to do what is evil in the sight of the Lord, I will bring disaster on you; I will consume you, and will cut off from Ahab every male, bond or free, in Israel;

*1 Kings 21.1-21*

*Reader*        The word of the Lord.

*All*            **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 5.1-8** *said by all.*

- 1        Ponder my words, O Lord; / consider my meditation.
- 2        O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King and my God; /  
for unto thee will I make my prayer.
- 3        My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord; /  
early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.
- 4        For thou art the God that hath no pleasure in wickedness; /  
neither shall any evil dwell with thee.
- 5        Such as are boastful shall not stand in thy sight; /  
for thou hatest all them that work iniquity.
- 6        Thou shalt destroy them that speak lies; /  
the Lord abhorreth both the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.
- 7        But as for me, I will come into thy house through the multitude of thy mercies; /  
and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.
- 8        Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies; /  
make thy way plain before my face.

## Epistle

*Reader* The Epistle is written in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter of the letter to the Galatians, beginning at the 15<sup>th</sup> verse.

"We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing."

*Galatians 2.15-21*

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

**All And with thy spirit.**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel is written in the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 36<sup>th</sup> verse.

**All Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him – that she is a sinner." Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "Speak." "A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this

woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

*Luke 7.36 – 8.3*

*Gospeller*

The Gospel of Christ.

*All*

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

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**We offer a warm welcome to all** as we gather at Saint Simon's to celebrate. If you are visiting for the first time, we are especially glad to have you with us and look forward to meeting you after the liturgy. If you would like more information about the life of our parish, please talk to the priest or one of the sidespeople (greeters); alternatively you can fill out the form in the pew and give it to a sidesperson, or put it on the collection plate.

**We appreciate your givings** and remind you that in order to receive a tax receipt, your envelope number or name & address should accompany all donations.

**Please do not leave your valuables unattended at any time!**

**In your prayers this week, please remember . . .**

*In the **Anglican Cycle of Prayer**, Pray for the Church of Nigeria;  
in our **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, Giving with Grace (formerly the Anglican Appeal);  
in the **Outreach and Advocacy Cycle of Prayer**, Pray for Saint James' Cathedral, its  
weekly drop-in, Amnesty International Action Circle, and Christmas food drive; and for  
Saint John's, Cookstown, its youth programmes, Christmas hamper campaign, and  
involvement in farmer/grower cooperative outreach projects;  
and in our **Parish Prayer Cycle**, for Margaret Eustace, Paul & Lorraine Faulkner, Ena  
Forde, and Alice Fox.*

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The **Advisory Board** will meet on **Wednesday, June 15**.

**Concert** – The Saint Simon's Choir will present a **Concert of Sacred Choral Music** as a fundraiser, and in preparation for our tour to England this July. The concert will feature music which we will be singing in services at Lincoln and Chester Cathedrals, including canticle settings by Howells, Murrill, Bryant, and Parsons and anthems by Holman, Byrd, and Claussen. The concert will be **Saturday, June 18**, at 4:00 p.m., and tickets will be available following services: \$25 regular, \$20 for students, seniors, and the unwaged.

On **Sunday, June 19**, there will be a **parish barbeque** after the 10:30 service. This will also be the last service with the full choir before the summer break; we thank them for their tremendous contribution to our worship, and wish them all the best on their summer adventures!

There will be a brief special vestry following the 10:30 service on **Sunday, June 19**, to authorize the wardens to draw from the Rectory Fund in order to purchase a new rectory.

**From Heather Ballon:** Saint Simon's Spring Sale has taken place successfully again! Last Saturday was a lovely day – maybe too lovely to attract lots of people – but it did see a very good turnout of our church members. Over 30 parishioners and choir members actively unpacked, priced and sold hundreds of donated items, including delicious baking and also a generous number of preserves made by Paul Mitchell. Most importantly, there was great enthusiasm and good will among the Saint Simons's volunteers, and that is the major benefit of such an event. We are happy to know that the sale netted about \$1,650 for the church. Special thanks to Marian and David McPherson for their constant support and hard work and to my young grandchildren who took their lemonade and cookie stand outside onto Bloor Street and accosted surprised passers-by. Thank you to our man of all work, Daiverzon Guillermo, who is always willing to move boxes and put out signs for us. Great work, everyone!

## **Upcoming Services and Dates to Remember**

**TODAY** – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am                      BCP Eucharist *in the chapel*

10:30am                     Choral Mattins

**Wednesday, June 15**

11am                         Holy Eucharist *in the chapel*

**Sunday, June 19** – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am                      BCP Eucharist *in the chapel*

10:30am                     Holy Eucharist (Traditional)

Last Tuesday of every month: Taizé service, 6-7pm

Every Wednesday at 11: Holy Eucharist with prayers for healing.

Pastoral visiting is available for shut-ins – please contact the office if you know of someone who would welcome a visit from one of our lay pastoral visitors or Mother Andrea.

The sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available by appointment – please contact Mother Andrea directly.

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