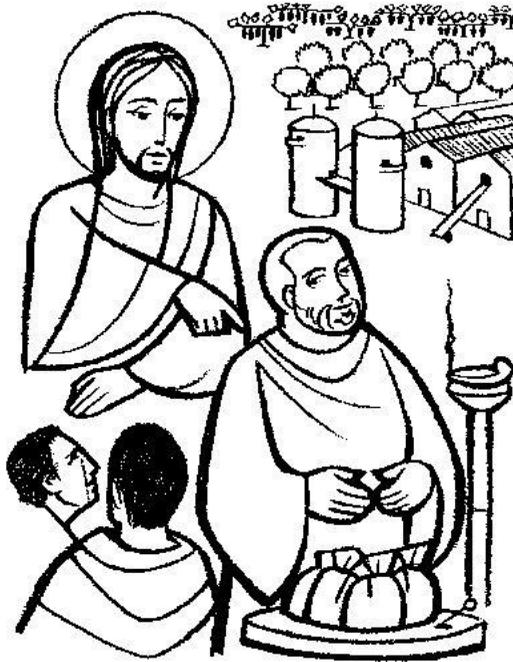


Church of Saint Simon-the-Apostle

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 31, 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 to thank Mother Andrea for her exemplary shepherding of the St. Simon parish in transition.

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 David Carrington.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom:
renew thy people with thy heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness sustain us with thy true and living bread,
who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Proclamation of the Word

Old Testament Lesson

Reader The Old Testament lesson is written in the 11th chapter of the book of the prophet Hosea, beginning at the 1st verse.

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.
The more I called them, the more they went from me;
they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols.

Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms;
but they did not know that I healed them.

I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love.
I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks.

I bent down to them and fed them.

They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king,
because they have refused to return to me.

The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests,
and devours because of their schemes.

My people are bent on turning away from me.

To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.

How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel?
How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim?
My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender.
I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim;
for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst,
and I will not come in wrath.

They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion;
when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west.
They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt,
and like doves from the land of Assyria;
and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

Hosea 11.1-11

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 107.1-9, 43

1 O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, /
 and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed, /
 and delivered from adversity;
3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east and from the west, /
 from the north and from the south.
4 They that wandered in the wilderness, even in a desert place, /
 found no way to a city where men dwelt.
5 Hungry and thirsty, / their soul fainted in them.
6 So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, /
 and he delivered them from their distress.
7 He led them forth by the right way, /
 that they might go to a city where men dwelt.
8 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness, /
 and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!
9 For he satisfieth the empty soul, /
 and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.
43 Whoso is wise will ponder these things; /
 and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

Epistle

Reader The Epistle is written in the 3rd chapter of the letter to the Colossians,
beginning at the 1st verse.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

Colossians 3.1-11

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 12th chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 13th verse.

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.”

Luke 12.13-21

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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 & 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, the Church of the Province of South East Asia;

*in our **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, the Social Justice and Advocacy Committee;*

*in the **Outreach and Advocacy Cycle of Prayer**, Saint Mary's, Richmond Hill, its*

Christmas Adopt-a-Family programme, hosting of an Out of the Cold programme,

support of the Richmond Hill Community Foodbank, Fair Trade initiatives, and

sponsorships through Plan Canada; and Saint Mary Magdalene, Toronto, its

participation in the Parkdale Deanery weekly meal programme and its initiative to sponsor a refugee family from Iraq;

*and in our **Parish Prayer Cycle**, Gerald Jackson, Lucille James, Dorothy Kamara, and Kate & Julie Kaul.*



Next Sunday will be the first Sunday for Fr Geoffrey Sangwine, Saint Simon's new priest-in-charge. Please come if you can, to meet Fr Geoffrey and the members of Saint Peter's who will be joining us for this exciting new beginning!

Saint Simon's now has a very active and interesting **Facebook** page, maintained by Brooke Sales-Lee. It's a great way to keep up with activities and ideas between one Sunday and the next.

There will be an **Advisory Board** meeting on **August 10 at 7:00** and an Opportunities Committee meeting on **August 24 at 7:00**. All are welcome to attend Advisory Board meetings and to welcome Fr Geoff at the August meeting.

We anticipate that Saint Simon's newly-sponsored refugee will probably arrive some time between now and the end of September, in all likelihood with very little notice! We have possibilities for short- and longer-term accommodation, but we will need to be able furnish a small apartment for his use fairly quickly once he arrives. We don't have much space to store things in the meantime, and may not be able to accept all the donations offered, but please think about whether you have any furniture and/or household items that might be of use to a new arrival. There will be a list posted at the church of the items we need; please write your name on the list beside any furniture items that you are saving; small items can be placed in boxes on the stage in the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, speak to any member of the refugee committee.

Upcoming Services and Dates to Remember

TODAY – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am BCP Eucharist *in the chapel*
10:30am Holy Eucharist (Traditional)

Wednesday, August 3

11am Holy Eucharist *in the chapel*

Sunday, August 7 – The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30am BCP Eucharist *in the chapel*
10:30am Holy Eucharist (Traditional)

Every Wednesday at 11 am; 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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