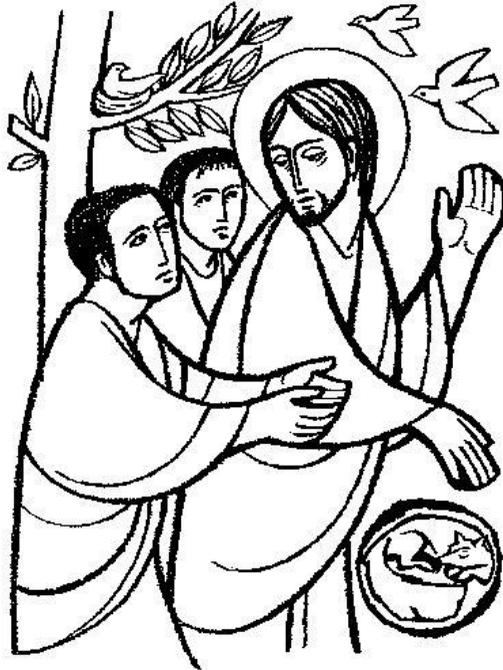


Church of Saint Simon-the-Apostle

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2016



8:30 am Holy Eucharist

Celebrant & homilist: The Rev'd Andrea Budgley

*Hearing Assistance Units are available at the back of the church.
Large Print bulletins are available - just ask a greeter.*



Welcome to Saint Simon's! If you're unfamiliar with the liturgy, please don't hesitate to ask for assistance - our greeters or other parishioners will be happy to help you orient yourself. We have gluten-free communion wafers available at the high altar for those who have gluten intolerance. Please ask for a gluten-free wafer when you come for communion.

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 Sheila Smith.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee,
that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance,
that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth
with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All Amen.

Proclamation of the Word *Please be seated.*

Old Testament Lesson

Reader The first lesson is written in the second chapter of the 2nd Book of Kings, beginning at the first verse.

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

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 77.1-2, 11-21

- 1 I WILL cry unto God with my voice: /
even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.
- 2 In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord: /
in the night my hand was stretched out without ceasing;
my soul refused comfort.
- 11 I will remember the works of the Lord, /
and call to mind thy wonders of old time.
- 12 I will think also of all thy works, / and meditate upon thy doings.
- 13 Thy way, O God, is holy: / who is so great a God as our God?
- 14 Thou art the God that doest wonders, /
and didst declare thy power among the peoples.
- 15 Thou didst mightily deliver thy people, /
even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.
- 16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid: /
the depths also were troubled.
- 17 The clouds poured out water, the skies thundered, /
and thine arrows went abroad.
- 18 The voice of thy thunder was in the whirlwind; /
thy lightnings lit up the world; the earth was moved, and shook withal.
- 19 Thy way was in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters, /
and yet thy footsteps were not known.
- 20 Thou leddest thy people like sheep, / by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Epistle

Reader The Epistle is written in the fifth chapter of the letter to the Galatians, beginning at the first verse.

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

Reader The word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel *Please stand, as able.*

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel is written in the ninth chapter of the Gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 51st verse.

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

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 towards 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 plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Luke 9.51-62

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 Pakistan;
in our **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, Tecumseth Deanery;
in the **Outreach and Advocacy Cycle of Prayer**, Saint John's, West Toronto, and its annual Christmas Carol performance in support of The STOP; and Saint John's, York Mills, its support of the Flemingdon Park Ministry, New Circles Community Services, and the Downsview Youth Covenant, its monthly breakfast, and its prison ministry;
and in our **Parish Prayer Cycle** for Ghebrelul & Medhin Ghebreselase, Dennis Gittens, Beryl Gallop, Cathy & Bill Graham.*



A **memorial service** will be held today, **June 26th**, at 4:30 pm, for **Frances Hay**, followed by a reception in the parish hall.

Parishioners are invited to walk with the Proud Anglicans contingent in the **Pride Parade, Sunday, July 3**. This is an opportunity to witness to the openness and inclusivity of the Anglican Church, and of Saint Simon's in particular, and proclaim the love of God for all people. For more information, please speak to Mother Andrea.

Proud Anglicans also have a booth for Toronto Pride (the location is B46, on Church Street between Isabella and Gloucester). Volunteers are still needed for these times:

Friday, July 1st, 7-9 pm

Saturday, July 2nd, 3pm-9pm

Sunday, July 3rd, 4pm-8pm

Please let Mother Andrea know if you're interested, or contact Robert Townshend directly at robert@totaladvantage.com.

Upcoming Services and Dates to Remember

Wednesday June 29

11 am Holy Eucharist

Sunday July 3 – The 7th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am BCP Eucharist *in the chapel*

10:30 am Holy Eucharist (Traditional)

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

Every Wednesday at 11:00 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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