

**St. John's Anglican Church, Ida
Parish of Ida and Omemee**

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

A service of Morning Prayer

August 9, 2026

Welcome to Worship this morning!

*We invite you to participate fully in the service,
and to remain following the service for our Coffee Hour.*

*Children are welcome to attend our Children's Program or to remain with their families and enjoy
the children's quiet corner.*

*As we worship, at any time during the service, please assume whatever physical position is best
for you.*

*During the prayers of the people, the intercessor will invite you to pray for people by name, either
silently or aloud. You may also add names to the book at the back of the sanctuary, which will be
shared with the congregation following the service, so that we can pray for them throughout the
week.*

The Gathering of the Community

I will wait for the Lord; in his word is my hope. Psalm 130:4

Opening CP 330 (Tune 380) O Praise Ye the Lord

**O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the height;
rejoice in God's Word, ye angels of light;
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,
and worship before him in brightness arrayed.**

**O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon earth;
in tuneful accord, give thanks for new birth;
praise God who hath brought you all grace from above,
praise God who hath taught you the pathways of love.**

**O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord re-echoes around,
loud organs, God's glory proclaim in deep tone,
and sweet harp, the story of what God hath done.**

**O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
be ever outpoured all ages along;
for love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!**

We have come together in the name of Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
to pray for the needs of the world,

and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Let us confess our sins against God and neighbour.

Lord God,
**we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

May the God of all mercies cleanse us from our sins,
and restore us in his image to the praise and glory
of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Blessed is the Lord,
for he has heard the voice of our prayer;
therefore shall our hearts dance for joy
and in our song will we praise our God.

Blessed are you,
gracious God, creator of all,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
You founded the earth in the beginning
and the heavens are the work of your hands.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
and in these last days you have spoken to us
through your Son Jesus Christ,
the Word made flesh.
As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us,
let the light of your love always shine in our hearts,
your Spirit ever renew our lives
and your praises ever be on our lips.
Blessed be God, Eternal Glory,
Incarnate Word and Abiding Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever. Amen.

Loving God,
thank you for life.
Thank you for making us and loving us.
Thank you for bringing us together to learn about you.
Please bless our Sunday School teachers and children,
and help us all to know you better.
We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Children's Hymn *BB 600 This is My Father's World*

This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world,
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world;
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world;
He shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

**This is my Father's world,
O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world,
the battle is not done,
Jesus, who died, shall be satisfied,
and earth and heaven be one.**

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

A reading from Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan.

This is the account of Jacob's family line.

Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate robe for him. When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Now his brothers had gone to graze their father's flocks near Shechem, and Israel said to Joseph, "As you know, your brothers are grazing the flocks near Shechem. Come, I am going to send you to them."

"Very well," he replied.

So he said to him, "Go and see if all is well with your brothers and with the flocks, and bring word back to me." Then he sent him off from the Valley of Hebron.

When Joseph arrived at Shechem, a man found him wandering around in the fields and asked him, "What are you looking for?"

He replied, "I'm looking for my brothers. Can you tell me where they are grazing their flocks?"

"They have moved on from here," the man answered. "I heard them say, 'Let's go to Dothan.'"

So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

"Here comes that dreamer!" they said to each other. "Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we'll see what comes of his dreams."

When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. "Let's not take his life," he said. "Don't shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the wilderness, but don't lay a hand on him." Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the ornate robe he was wearing—and they took him and threw him into the cistern. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt.

Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood." His brothers agreed.
So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.**

**Sing to him, sing praises to him,
and speak of all his marvellous works.**

**Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

**Search for the Lord and his strength;
continually seek his face.**

**Remember the marvels he has done,
his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,**

**O offspring of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen.**

**Then he called for a famine in the land
and destroyed the supply of bread.**

**He sent a man before them,
Joseph, who was sold as a slave**

**They bruised his feet in fetters;
his neck they put in an iron collar.**

**Until his prediction came to pass,
the word of the Lord tested him.**

**The king sent and released him;
the ruler of the peoples set him free.**

**He set him as master over his household,
as a ruler over all his possessions,**

**To instruct his princes according to his will
And to teach his elders wisdom.**

**That they might keep his statutes
and observe his laws. Hallelujah!**

The Psalm Prayer

God of our salvation, **through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have fulfilled your promise to our ancestors in the faith to redeem the world from slavery and to lead us into the promised land. Grant us living water from the rock and bread from heaven, that we may survive our desert pilgrimage and praise you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.**

The Second Reading

A reading from Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Christ our Passover

Alleluia!
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
Alleluia!

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!

Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

Gospel Hymn *CP 564 Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us*

**Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.**

**Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.
The Gospel Reading**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

"Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

We sing:

**Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.**

The Sermon

A brief silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The congregation stands at the invitation of the officiant.

The Affirmation of Faith

**Let us declare our faith,
All We believe in God the Creator,
from whom every creature in heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with divine love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Creator, Child, and Eternal Spirit. Amen.**

Offertory Hymn *CP 567 Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

**Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm restrains the restless wave,
who bids the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed bounds to keep;
 we cry, O God of majesty,
 for those in peril on the sea.**

**O Christ! Whose voice the waters heard
and hushed their raging at your word,
who walked across the surging deep,
and in the storm lay calm in sleep;
 we cry, O Lord of Galilee,
 for those in peril on the sea.**

**Creator Spirit, by whose breath
were fashioned sea and sky and earth;
who made the stormy chaos cease
and gave us life and light and peace:
 we cry, O Spirit strong and free,
 for those in peril on the sea.**

**O Trinity of love and power,
preserve their lives in danger's hour;
from rock and tempest, flood and flame,
protect them by your holy name,
and to your glory let there be
glad hymns of praise from land and sea.**

The Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

**God of Glory,
Accept all we offer you this day,
And bring us to the eternal city of love and light,
Where Christ is King.
We ask this in his name. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

We pray for the world, the church and ourselves, assuming whatever physical position helps us to pray (remain standing, kneel, or sit).

The response to the intercessions will be:
**Risen Lord,
hear our prayer.**

Gracious God,
**you have heard the prayers of your faithful people.
You know our needs before we ask and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may
be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Holy and ever-living God,
**by your power we are created
and by your love we are redeemed.
Guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,
that we may give ourselves in love and service
to one another and to you this coming week;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Closing Hymn CP 371 To God Be the Glory
To God be the glory, who great things has done!
God so loved the world, freely sending the Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

**Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear God's voice.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give God the glory, who great things has done!**

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God:
that when the offender, repenting, believes,
through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the earth hear God's voice.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give God the glory, who great things has done!

Great things God has taught us,
great things God has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our gladness when Jesus we see.

Refrain:

The Benediction

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father,
and the grace of Christ the risen Son,
and the fellowship of God the Spirit
keep our hearts and minds within His love.
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n.
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain:
Christ eternal, the King of kings!

May this peace which passes understanding,
and this grace which makes us what we are,
and this fellowship of His communion
make us one in spirit and in heart.
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n.
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain:
Christ eternal, the King of kings!

The Dismissal

Alleluia! Go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

A Warm Welcome to all

Are you new to St. John's? We are so glad you have joined us today for worship. We encourage you to stay for coffee hour and introduce yourself to one of the clergy.

Would you like a visit? We'd be happy to visit with you at your home, in a coffee shop or at the church for pastoral conversation and/or home communion at your request.
Please call the office and one of the clergy will get back to you. 705.944.5350

If you experience a pastoral emergency (someone in the hospital or in urgent need) you can call our priest, The Rev. Denise Byard at 705.944.5350

Are you on the parish mailing and email list? If you would like to be, please let the office know.

Our Leaders Today

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