

**Canon Davis Memorial Church**

Anglican Church of Canada

Sunday, June 4, 2023 – Trinity Sunday

**9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

**Co-officiants—Rev. Ray Jenkins & Rev. Greg Jenkins**

**Assisted by Ginny Schleihauf, Tom Brown & Bill Graham**

**Organist—Dorothy Miller**

**Special Guest — Wendy Rideout, Harpist**

**The Holy Eucharist**

“Creation” by Mary Abma

We come and worship God.

We go our way with souls nourished.

CANON DAVIS MEMORIAL CHURCH

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To all who are weary and seek rest  
to all who mourn and long for comfort  
to all who struggle and seek victory  
to all who sin and need a saviour;  
to all who are idle and look for service;  
to all who are strangers and want fellowship  
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to whomsoever will come  
this church opens wide her doors  
and in the name of Jesus Christ her Lord  
says “Welcome”  
Parish of St. Stephen & St. Tathan, Caerwent, Wales

**Holy Eucharist**

**- Celtic Tradition -**

*Please welcome one another in peace  
as you await the beginning of this worship service*

**Opening Hymn #628**

**O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High**(vs 1,2,3 &7)

*Celebrant:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* We welcome the dawn as a creation from God for a new day. In the glad light of this  
morning tide, we celebrate the life giving radiance of Christ.

*People:* **We join together in worshipping our Creator God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Opening Prayer

*Celebrant:* Bright shining star blessed be each thing your eye lights on.

Radiant summer sun, blessed be each thing your smile touches. As night and day you warm and bless us so one day shall the Lord, your creator be our everlasting Light.

**First Reading** – Genesis 1: 1-3

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

**Collect**

**Father, we praise you: through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things. You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.**

**Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love.**

**Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.**

**Second Reading** – 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

**PSALM 121**

I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

**He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

**The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore**

**Duet: Be Thou My Vision**

*Mary Abma and Greg Jenkins*

**Third Reading** – Matthew 28:16-17

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

*Celebrant:* Even if you believe yourself to have very little faith, will you prepare yourself to welcome a Gospel light? It shines in the darkness and the darkness was unable to put it out.”

*People:***God of every human being, you never impose yourself, you never force our heart, but you place your peaceful light within each one of us.**

*Celebrant:* We light a light in the name of the God who creates life, in the name of the Saviour who loves life, in the name of the Spirit who is the fire of life.

*Silence*A candle is lit while we reflect and pray silently for an extended time

**Fourth Reading** – Matthew 28:18-19

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

**People: Son of God, work in me and through me that I may shine like the stars. Shine through me that I may reflect your glorious light, and sharing a sense of wonder may point the way to God. Spirit of God, coax me from my hiding place. Draw me out to witness to God's love. Restore my zest for life that all I do be to your glory. In Jesus Christ's name. Amen.**

**Fifth Reading** – Matthew: 28:20

"And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

**SERMON**

Dear Friends,

Years ago, I found myself with a sense of call to ministry— one that kept growing with the passage of time. The problem, in my mind, was that I was no spring chicken! The years had caused more than a token amount of gray hair to grow on top of my noggin .

Ever notice how our lives are often marked by a sequence of seasons? Upon reflection, I can see how each additional season builds upon those which preceded it — each contributing useful lessons from the past that will be helpful in the future .

Well, it is time now for our family to enter into another season! Some may say it is time for me to be put out to pasture. Certainly, signs are all around me that say it is a time in my life to move on to a new season. The most recent indicator for change is my diagnosis of having Parkinson's disease.

Yes, it is time for change .

Even though I am an Anglican, I must admit it is time for change. I am not sure what that change may look like. Often, previous changes of seasons are accompanied with memorable inconveniences. Often too, are heard voices of encouragement; and, yes, sometimes, discouragement.

Overall, life has been richer for these experiences. In addition to church work, a partial list includes: Sally and I meeting at an exchange dinner; work in a tool and die shop; studies at Michigan State University and at Huron College; municipal work in Detroit, Sarnia and London; and also a move to Canada from the U.S. Along the way, we were blessed with the gift of five children !

Our planet Earth also continues to go through various seasons, as it has since the beginning of Creation. These seasons are of greater impact, greater change. We learn about many of these through archaeological explorations and more. God's hand can be seen in God's handiworks .

Even now, we have a sense of our going through another very complex season. Recent history has seen society embrace newly developed technologies which have allowed us to work on human problems as never before. Yet, we are beginning to find that new technologies do not always lead us to happier lives. Some of us are old enough to remember living lives that seemed more fulfilling with simpler technologies. Some advances can also lead us to a list of greater dangers— dangers that are life threatening on a massive scale (e.g. Nuclear weapons.(

A new category of danger to add to our contemporary season is " AI ," Artificial Intelligence !

These advances see the acceleration of product and systems development by including the ability to " learn " and to " think — " to learn and to think better, by some standards, than the humans who create them!

Again, research and development results can run from being really wonderful; to absolutely devastating. The fear is that AI technologies have no built-in consciences and could decide to provide its priorities on attaining its own ends, while endangering humanity.

Clearly, humanity needs to have the spiritual insights that only God can provide. The church has an important role to play as society moves along making history .May we contribute to the building of a more compassionate and loving society for all people.

I am now going to turn our attention to what I see as one of the most important Bible passages :Matthew 22:3 .40-7Here, we come to learn that Jesus wants us to know the importance of God's gift of love.

It is here that he shares God's wisdom with us when he says:

‘ “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart ,  
and with all your soul ,and with all your mind ’ .  
This is the greatest and first commandment .  
And a second is like it“You shall love your neighbour as yourself ’ .On these two command  
ments hang all the law and the prophets ”.

In their ministry, clergy and others see a full range of joy and also a full range of pain and despair. We see how needless it is for so many folk to be recipients of inflicted pain. Much of what people experience is tied to the degree of how much love comes into any situation . Whether they are related to personal occasions; families; businesses; corporations; government agencies; or whatever else — good decisions and good actions are often best made when they are lovingly made!

Oh, did I mention churches in this regard? Canon Davis Memorial Church is a good example, in my mind! I often tell people who are looking for a church to ask themselves whether it has a feeling of being a home — a place of love.

I have had the blessing of serving in churches in which most members got along really well . Canon Davis is among these. It is a wonderful place with people who love God and show this in all aspects of parish life. Whenever a call for help is made, or a need becomes known; people respond to see how they can be of help! One reflection of this is found in their emphasis as a parish community on hospitality !

Our season at CDMC was very positive because of the love of the people, here. We have had outstanding internal and external community support to help us in our ministry. We are so thankful for our family to have shared in the life of Canon Davis Memorial Church over the past decade. May the work of Christ continue here in love. May the love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be known by all who come in through our doors.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit be with the people of Canon Davis Memorial Church and with all they reach out to serve.

We now pray in the words of Brother Roger of Taizé:

“God of Mercy, when we understand nothing can separate us from you, trust in you opens for us the road that leads upward towards a peace-filled joy”.

Amen.

Harpist. *Johnny O'Hazelgreen*

*Wendy Rideout*

**A Celtic "Creed"**

**People:**

I believe, O God of all gods,  
That you are the eternal Father  
of life;  
I believe, O God of all gods,  
That you are the eternal Mother of love.

I believe, O God of all gods,  
That you are the eternal Father of the saints;  
I believe, O God of all gods,  
That you are the eternal Mother of each one.  
I believe, O God of all gods,  
That you are the eternal Father of humankind;  
I believe, O God of all gods,  
That you are the eternal Mother of the world.  
I believe, O Lord and God of the peoples,  
That you are the creator of the high heavens,  
That you are creator of the skies above,  
That you are the creator of the oceans below.  
I believe, O Lord and God of the peoples,  
That you are the One who created my soul and set its warp,  
Who created my body from dust and ashes,  
Who gave to my body, breath and to my soul its possession.

O Creator,  
bless me to my body,  
bless me to my soul,  
bless me to my life,  
bless me to my belief. Amen

Harpist. Ashgrove. Wendy Rideout

**Thanksgivings**

*Celebrant:* For your goodness, O God, boundless and everlasting, thanks be to you.  
For your generosity, gracious and wise, thanks be to you.  
For your mercy, strong and free,  
thanks be to you.  
Let us share your goodness.  
Let us practice your generosity.  
Let us live your mercy that we and the world may be well.

*People:* O God of heaven,  
you are present on earth.  
O God of the stars and planets,  
you are in the midst of the city.  
O God above all things,  
you are in the depths of our being.  
The river of your eternal life runs through all things.  
Let us be glad to be bearers of your eternity.

**Let us be glad to find you in one another. Amen.**

**ADMISSION OF PARISH LAY READER**

***Feed My Lambs***

**LICENSED LAY READER INSTALLATION SERVICE**

*Lay Readers' Manual*, Anglican Church of Canada

The Congregation being seated, the Candidate and the Wardens stand before the Priest.

The Wardens present the Candidate.

WARDENS:

We present to you *Virginia Ann Schleihauf*, to be admitted to the office of Lay Reader of this Parish.

PRIEST:

Has she been selected in accordance with the Canons and customs of this Diocese, and do you believe her manner of life to be suitable to the exercise of her office?

WARDENS:

We certify to you that she has been duly selected and we believe her to be qualified for this office.

PRIEST: To the candidate

Will you be loyal to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of Christ as this church has received them, and will you, in accordance with the canons of this diocese, obey all Priests who may have authority over you and your work?

CANDIDATE:

I am willing and ready so to do.

PRIEST:

May God guide and bless you in the doing of this.

THE WARDENS read the Bishop's license.

THE PRIEST takes the candidate by the right hand.

PRIEST:

*Virginia Ann Schleihauf*, I admit you to the Office of Lay Reader of this Parish; and I give you this *Bible* as a token of your ministry; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Send this your servant forth in the power of that Spirit you perform the service you set before her; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

*The CANDIDATE is vested with the Medallion of Office.*

PRIEST:

Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth.

PEOPLE:

Knit my heart unto you, that I may fear your Name.

PRIEST:

So will I always sing praises unto your Name.

PEOPLE:

That I may daily perform my vows.

PRIEST:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son did read the holy scriptures in the synagogue; look graciously upon the Lay Readers of your church, and so enlighten them with wisdom and understanding that they may read your holy Word to the edification of your people, and the glory of your holy Name. Grant that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that, seeking your glory and the salvation of souls, they may minister your word with steadfast devotion and, by the constancy of their faith and the innocence of their lives, may adorn in all things the doctrine of Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Intercessions**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

O God, you summon the day to dawn.

You teach the morning to waken the earth.

*People:* **Great is your name. Great is your love**

*Celebrant:*For you the valleys shall sing for joy the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

*People:***Great is your name. Great is your love.**

*Celebrant:*For you the kings of the earth shall bow.

The poor and persecuted shall shout for joy.

*People:***Great is your name. Great is your love.**

*Celebrant:*As Jesus calmed the storm and healed the sick,  
reveal your care for us in stilling the waves and  
in the bringing of wholeness to those in need.  
Today we pray especially for \_\_\_\_\_, and all others  
known to us, who we name silently or aloud.

*People:***Great is your name. Great is your love.**

*Celebrant:*Your love and mercy shall last forever,  
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

*People:***Great is your name. Great is your love.**

*Celebrant:*Creator God, come renew the face of the earth.

Kindling Spirit, come inflame our waiting hearts. Anointing Spirit, come forth on us anew.

*Celebrant:* You led your people by a cloud;  
*People:* **May your Spirit lead us all today.**

*Celebrant:* You led your people by fire at night;  
*People:* **May your Spirit lighten up our way.**

*Celebrant:* Wind of God, blow us to wild places as You will;  
*People:* **Breeze of God, refresh us as you desire.**

*Celebrant:* Breath of God, blow away all that is unclean;  
*People:* **Rain of God, revive our withered lives.**

*Celebrant:* River of God, flow through us and heal our land;  
*People:* **River of God, flow through all peoples and heal our broken world.**

### **Confession & Absolution**

*Celebrant:* The Father is always present.  
*People:* **Forgive us for not reflecting your faithfulness.**

*Celebrant:* The Son is always self-giving.  
*People:* **Forgive us for living for ourselves.**

*Celebrant:* The Spirit always leads us on.  
*People:* **Forgive us for holding back Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
*People:* **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*People sing softly while seated*  
**Spirit of the Living God,  
fall a-fresh on me;  
Spirit of the Living God,  
fall a-fresh on me;  
Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me  
Spirit of the Living God,  
fall a-fresh on me!**

*Celebrant:* Gentle peace . . .  
Flows freely, Encircles fully  
Refreshes gently, Comforts warmly  
Reassures softly, Forgives easily  
Fulfils entirely,  
God's gentle peace . . . Amen.

*Celebrant:* We are a people of love.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**



## **Offertory Hymn #615 *Just as I Am***

Doxology

### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

#### **Prayer Over the Gifts**

*People:* **Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

#### **Eucharistic Prayer**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* Holy God, Lover of creation,

we give you thanks and praise,

for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and

place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through

Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints

in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision

of your new creation. Joining in the song of the

universe we proclaim your glory saying:

*People:* **Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant:* Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman. Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends. "Take and eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said, "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the

new covenant which is shed for you and for many.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me".

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

*People:* **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:*Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.  
*People:***Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Eternal Spirit Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all. Loving God, in whom is heaven. The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.**

*From the Anglican Book of Common Prayer of New Zealand.*

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:*"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.  
*People:***Give us this bread for ever.**

*Celebrant:*"I am the vine, you are the branches."  
*People:***May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

**Harpist *My Wild Irish Rose*  
*Wendy Rideout***

### **Prayer after Communion**

**Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist worship you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

### **The Blessing**

*Celebrant:*Go forth with the vision of God; Sail into the ocean of his love. The Sacred Three surround and sustain you till they bring you to your eternal home.  
*People:***Amen.**

**Closing Hymn #486  
*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling***

*Celebrant:*Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People:***Thanks be to God.**

Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.**

**Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.**

**Today, we were delighted to welcome Wendy Rideout as our musical guest. Wendy is a wonderful harpist who makes a genuine contribution to our worship service.**

**Our appreciation also goes to Sally and Ray's children, Mary and Greg for their musical gift this morning. We thank you for being with us.**

**And, our heartfelt thanks to Rev. Ray Jenkins and Sally for their years of dedicated care and commitment to CDMC. You will be missed.**

**And lastly, our sincere congratulations to Ginny Schleihauf as she joins Canon Davis as not only our Deputy Rector's Warden, but our newest Licensed Lay Reader. We thank Ginny for her dedicated service to CDMC.**

**The Flowers on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Phyllis Moore-Matthews and Bruce Moore, a gift of their daughter, Janis.**

## **NEWS AND EVENTS**

Please send all announcements for the bulletin to Karen by **11:00 a.m. Tuesday** of each week. Email [canondavis@gmail.com](mailto:canondavis@gmail.com) or Call 519-344-9531.

If you would like a home visit with Communion or know of someone who would, please contact the office as Lay Visitors will be available in the coming weeks.

A big thank you to all who participated in the "Sew-Craft & Social Time" once a month. Thank you also for all who helped with the lunches we had on these special days. The time the ladies got together was a time of reflection and a sharing of talents. We gather again in September so come out and join us!

**Happy Birthday and best wishes** to Marion Lounsbury, Jim Struthers, and Kathryn Dodkin from all of us at Canon Davis Memorial.

The **Ladies Guild pies** are still available. Shepherd's pies \$6.00 and Turkey pies \$5.50. If you would like to place an order, call the office at 519 344 9531.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Need a night out?** The next **meat raffle** for the London Road School will be held on **Tuesday June 13 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Imperial City Brew House**, 1330 Exmouth Street. Draws are \$2.00 each and there are 9 draws.

On **Wednesday June 21**, The **ACW Ladies Guild and Friends Annual Luncheon** will be held at **12:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall**. Chef John, Sheree and I have met the challenge with our "Olives"

menu. Select either Salmon Asparagus Quiche or Chicken Pot Pie as your entrée and for dessert, either Frozen Lemon Meringue or Chocolate Caramel, Pecan Cheesecake (Turtle). Mixed greens, berry salad with house dressing, cheese and fruit biscuits will also offered. If you wish to attend, **please RSVP by June 11** by contacting Carol at 519 491 9319 or Karen at 519 344 9531. A sign-in sheet will also be available at the back of the church. Free Will Offering.

### **Reminders**

- 13 June Meat Raffle – Imperial City Brew House 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**
- 21 June ACW Ladies Guild and Friends Annual Luncheon**
- 28 June Parish Council Meeting – Boardroom 10:00 a.m.**