

# CANON DAVIS MEMORIAL CHURCH

*Anglican Church of Canada*  
*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
12<sup>th</sup> November, 2023



*We Come and worship God.*

*We go our way with souls nourished.*

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**November 12, 2023 — Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Service of the Word**

**Processional Hymn # 309 *Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet***

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

**People: And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

**People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Officiant: Merciful God, grant to us, 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.**

Officiant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us reconcile to God and one another a sign of Christ's peace.

### **The Collect of the Day**

**Eternal God, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.**

**First Reading** Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** 78: 1-7

*(Response in bold.)*

Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, we will not hide from their children.

**We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done.**

He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, which he commanded them to teach their children; That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn; that they in their turn might tell it to their children;

**So that they might put their trust in God, and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments.**

**Second Reading** I Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Officiant: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Officiant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew.

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Gospel** Matthew 25: 1-13

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Officiant: The Gospel of the Christ

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Sermon

### Sermon Hymn # 93

### *You Servants of the Lord*

Officiant: Let us confess our faith as we say.

**People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.**

For this community, our country, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
**For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.**

For Todd our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in the Church.**

For our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

In our parish cycle of prayer, we pray for...

Hear us, Lord.  
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence.                   *(The people may add their own thanksgivings.)*

We will exalt you, O God our king;  
**And praise your name for ever and ever.**

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**



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**

**Offertory Hymn # 328**

***Lo, God is Here! Let Us Adore***

**Offertory Response**

***All Things Come of Thee***

**People: Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.**

**Officiant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,**

**People: Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Officiant: Glory to God**

**People: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Announcements**

**Recessional Hymn # 432**

***Jesus Calls Us! O'er the Tumult***

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us all with joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Sung Benediction **Howard's Blessing** (vs 1-2)  
(in the back of the blue Hymn book)

*The Flowers on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God,  
and in memory of Keith Lounsbury,  
a gift of Marion and family.*

Please enter names in the **Intercessions Book** each week to be read in the service.

## 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 to contact Rev'd Jon Forbes or would like a home visit with Communion or know of someone who would, Rev'd Jon may be reached at 1-905-818-9488 or email [jonforbes@outlook.com](mailto:jonforbes@outlook.com)
- Please join us for **Coffee Hour** after service for a time of fellowship in the parish hall.

### Upcoming Events

- **November 15** – There is still time to reserve your seat so, please join us for our **Ham and Scalloped Potato Dinner**. Cost \$20.00 – Take-out or Dine-in. Call 519-344-9531.
- **On Sunday November 19**, please welcome Maegan Knight of Victim Services of Sarnia Lambton. Maegan will join us during coffee hour as our special guest speaker. Please plan to join us for this special presentation.
- **November 25<sup>th</sup> – CHRISTMAS MARKET - 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**  
Parish Hall (There Will Be No Tea Room This Year). For sale: our famous turkey pies, beef pies and shepherds' pies, deli items, baked goods, soup, chili. Also, trinkets, treasurers & crafts.
- **December 3** CDM Christmas Dinner at 4:00 p.m. Free Will Offering required from CDM Parishioners, your attendance RSVP at 519-344-9531 by Tuesday November 21. Thank you.
- **“Festival of Lights” event for Canon Davis on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 8pm.** Admission: a non-perishable food item. The church will be decorated inside and out. Lights will be strung on as many trees/bushes as possible. There will be Carolers, refreshments, baked goods & “Stain-glass” cards for sale, but most importantly introducing Rev'd Jon Forbes to the community. **If you have strings of lights you would like to donate for this event, please either bring them to the church or contact Ginny 519-332-4764**

- **December 10 - 9 Lessons and Carols Service**, with Wassail following in the Parish Hall – Food donations for the Wassail are welcome but not necessary. Please speak to John or Sheree Lynn

### Reminders: November

- **Nov 15 Ham and Scalloped Potato Dinner Cost: \$20.00 Dine in or Take Out. Call 519 344 9538 to reserve.**
- **Nov 19 Coffee Hour Presentation** – Maegan Knight, Victim Services of Sarnia Lambton
- **Nov 22 Parish Council Meeting 10:00 a.m. Boardroom**
- **Nov 25 Christmas Market 9:00 to 12:00 p.m.**

### Reminders: December

- **Dec 2 10:00 am is Decorate the church for the Festival of Lights on December 9<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Dec 3** CDM Christmas Church Dinner 4:00 pm
- **Dec 7** Please bring Shortbread and Gingerbread cookies bagging for Festival of Lights at 1:00 pm
- **Dec 9** Festival of Lights – 6:30 pm. to 8:00 pm
- **Dec 10** Nine Lesson and Carols Service with Wassail following the service.
- **Dec 24** Christmas Eve Day – Service of the Word. 9:30am. Ginny Schleihauf
- **Dec 24** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 5:00 pm. HE – Rev'd Jon Forbes