

Welcome to St. George's

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer Service

Please introduce yourself as you arrive and feel free to chat with others. Once the service starts, we will mute your microphone so everyone can hear the service.

If you would like us to pray for you or someone else by name, send us a prayer request via the chat box marked:

Prayers-Ariana

There will be welcome and a brief introduction at 10:27am.

A prelude will begin the service at 10:30.





THE SIXTEEN SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST:
AN ONLINE SERVICE OF
MORNING PRAYER

Sunday September 27, 2020
10:30am

Prelude:

Trio en dialogue (Kyrie)

Nicolas de Grigny (1672-1703)

(Premier livre d'orgue (1699) Messe

"Cunctipotens genitor Deus")

Performed by *André Isoir*



Commissioning of New Student Minister

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Ben has been entrusted to us as a student minister in this parish. During the year, we will become ministers to each other. He will undertake to lead worship, to teach, to preach, participate in the administration of this parish and to provide pastoral care to this community, and to the larger community around us. In turn we will support her by welcoming her into our community and into our hearts, encouraging and upholding her in our actions and in our prayers. As we stand in God's presence, let us pray that grace will be given to Ben, and to all of us in this ministry, that together we may fulfill our responsibilities, and further the kingdom of God.

Leader: Ben, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to the ministry entrusted to you?

Ben: **I do**

The members of Ben's committee: Tom, Tom, Tony, Jessie and Daphne: Do you commit yourselves to support Ben in his growing ministry and to give encouraging and honest feedback to further his understanding of congregational ministry?

Committee members: **We do.**

Leader: Do you, members of the congregation commit yourselves to share in this ministry entrusted to us?

- **We do.**

Ben: Next week, in the church itself, we will give you keys as a symbol of our common commitment to fully participating in your practice and studies of ministry, opening our hearts to you, and to further God's purposes and plans.

Let us pray:

Almighty God,

by your grace alone

we are accepted and called into your service.

Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit,

and make us worthy of our calling,

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen**

I invite you to welcome Ben.



Opening Responsories

Officiant: My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. (*John 10.27*)

Officiant: O Lord, open our lips
People: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant: Visit us with your salvation
People: and grace us with your sustaining Spirit.

People: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ,
as we prepare to worship almighty God,
let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins
that we may obtain forgiveness
by his infinite mercy.

Officiant: Most merciful God,

***People:* 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: Almighty God, have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Officiant: Grant, O merciful God,
that your Church,
being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one,
may show forth your power among all peoples,
to the glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.



The Readings

Psalm 78.1-4, 12-16

Said responsively Book of Alternative services p. 806

1 Hear my teaching, O my people;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**2 I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**

3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.

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

12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

**13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; *
he made the waters stand up like walls.**

14 He led them with a cloud by day, *
and all the night through with a glow of fire.

**15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness *
and gave them drink as from the great deep.**

16 He brought streams out of the cliff, *
and the waters gushed out like rivers.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever.
Amen.**



Venite



Old Testament Reading

(Read in French)

***Reader:* A Reading from the the book of Exodus 17.1-7**

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go.

I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Reader: Parole du Seigneur.

People: Nous rendons grâce à Dieu.

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A moment of silence is observed



Hymn 398
Let Us with a Gladsome
Mind



A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 21.23-32)

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.



What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, “Son, go and work in the vineyard today.” He answered, “I will not”; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, “I go, sir”; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?’ They said, ‘The first.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.





A short time of silence is observed to ponder the readings and psalms.

Homily: Ben Stuchbery



Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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Officiant: I believe in God,

People: 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.

HYMN 529
All My Hope On God Is Founded





The Prayers of the People

Leader: God has called us; as we gather in his name let us bring to him our prayers which come from a place of love, concern and hope.

Let us pray for the Church:

Prayers for the church are offered

Leader: Lord, we thank you for all the help and encouragement we are given from the Church – from its worship, teaching and fellowship; from its faithfulness in prayer. Bless and further all loving ministry in word and sacrament throughout the world Church, inspire us all to want your will and to do it.

O God, work in us:

***All:* Inspiring both will and deed.**

Leader: Lord, we pray for the world, where the misery and tragedy of wrong choices grieves your heart. Let there be wisdom and compassion in all negotiations and decisions; let there be humility in leadership and responsibility for right action shared by all.

Let us pray for all nations and their leaders:

Prayers for the world are offered

Leader: Lord, we bring to you the joys and worries, the frustrations and accomplishments of this week in the lives we have met and shared. As we pray, let your light shine into all these lives for fresh direction and lasting growth.

O God, work in us:

All: Inspiring both will and deed.

Leader: Lord, we bring to you those we know who are ill or suffering in any way. Give them healing, restore them in body, mind and spirit, and provide them with the assurance of your presence.

*Prayers are offered for those in danger or need,
and for the sick and the suffering.*

During the silence, please add your requests in your hearts or aloud.

Leader: Healing God, lay your hands on those who suffer,
so that they may know your presence
and the healing of your touch.

O God, work in us:

***All:* Inspiring both will and deed.**

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Leader: We pray for those who have died.

The names of those who have died are offered

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

All: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

All: Amen.

Leader: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people,
and strengthen us to do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: Jesus taught us to call God our Father,
and so we have the courage 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.**



Blessing

Officiant: The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

Dismissal

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**



Postlude

Fuga Concerto in D minor, Second Movement

Antonio Vivaldi

(transc. J.S. Bach BWV 596)

Performed by *André Isoir*

Please consider sending your offering as you are financially able

- ❖ Interac transfer to: accounting@st-georges.org
- ❖ Contact the office to initiate or change your PAR giving
- ❖ Mail in Cheque to St. George's Church, 1101 Stanley St., Montreal, QC, H3B 2B6
- ❖ Credit Card or Paypal through Canada Helps
See the "Donate button" on our website
<http://www.st-georges.org>



Announcements

- For information email or call the church office
(office@st-georges.org) or 514-866-7113)
- Mid-week Online Worship Wednesday @12:15pm
Bible study on same link immediately follows.
- Virtual coffee hour:
Friday from 7-8pm (all are welcome)
- Study Group “Cracking Open White Identity towards transformation” beginning late September

Look for more info on your church email and on our Facebook page

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