



## Christ Church, Rawdon

*Located in the traditional territories of the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat people.*

### **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 29) A Service of the Word for October 18, 2020**

*This service will be live streamed on Sunday, at 10am, on <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/789373873> and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/pg/christchurchrawdon/posts/](http://www.facebook.com/pg/christchurchrawdon/posts/). You can also hear the audio by telephone at 438 809-7799 (when prompted, enter the meeting ID: 789 373 873).*

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

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

As we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

*(a short period of silent reflection is kept)*

**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.**

*Priest:* 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. **Amen.**

*Hymn:* **O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;  
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,  
Kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.**

**Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:  
High on his heart he will bear it for thee,  
Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,  
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.**

**Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness  
Of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:  
Truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,  
These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.**

**These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,  
He will accept for the name that is dear;  
Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,  
Trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.**

**Oh, worship the Lord.... (repeat of verse 1)**

*The Collect for Proper 29*

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7*

*Read by Elizabeth Nunn*

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God!**

*Psalms 96:1-9*

*Refrain: Ascribe to the Lord honour and power.*

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the whole earth. Sing to the Lord and bless his name; proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations and his wonders among all peoples. **R**

For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; he is more to be feared than all gods. As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but it is the Lord who made the heavens. Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! Oh, the power and the splendour of his sanctuary! **R**

Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; ascribe to the Lord honour and power. Ascribe to the Lord the honour due his name; bring offerings and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. **R**

*Epistle Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*

*Read by Marion Loffelmann*

From Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!** Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life. **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22*

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

When the chief priests and Pharisees had heard the parables, they realized that Jesus was speaking about them. Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of Christ.

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

*Sermon*

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

(BAS, p 52)

**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.**

*Intercessions and Thanksgivings*

We pray for the peace and unity of the Church of God; and for all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in positions of authority in the Church, especially for Mary, our Bishop, David our Metropolitan, Linda, our Primate, for all bishops and other ministers; and for all who serve God in the Church. In our diocese, we pray today especially for the retired clergy. In the wider Anglican Communion, we pray for the Episcopal Church (of the USA), and for the dioceses of Quebec (Canada), Coventry (England) Krishna-Godavan, Rayalaseema (South India), Raiwind (Pakistan), Cuba (Episcopal), Kubwa (Nigeria), Rajasthan, Cuttack (North India), Cueibet, Rejaf (South Sudan), Cuernavaca (Mexico), Recife (Brazil), Cyanguu (Rwanda), and Kuching (South East Asia). We pray for the Moderator of the United Church of Canada, The Right Reverent Richard Bott, and all members of that denomination. We give thanks for the religious witness in all its forms in the Church, and today we pray especially for the Community of the Sisters of Love of God in the UK. We pray for our companions in the Territory of the People (Central BC) and the Diocese of Masasi and for the Diocese of Jerusalem. We pray for our own Parish, for our Incumbent, Fr Michael J. Robson, and all the members of this parish especially, this week, for Robert and Elsa White, and their children Margrete, Hans, and Lars. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all people in their daily life and work; especially for our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this community, our country, and the world. We pray for those who govern and hold authority in the nations of the earth, and especially in our own country for Elizabeth, our Queen, Julie Payette, our Governor General, Justin Trudeau, our Prime Minister, J. Michel Doyon, our Lieutenant Governor, François Legault, our Premier, Bruno Guilbault, our Mayor, and for all MPs, MNAs, and Councillors. We pray that they may govern wisely and for the good of all and for all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray Lord, for the just and proper use of your creation; and for all who are victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble, praying especially at this time for Gerry Bologna, Danny Fogarty, Krista Fleming, Eileen Hale, Glenn Cartwright, Dave Irons, Viola Wilde, Muriel Fleming, Debbie Sweeney, Carolyn Maguire, Nash Menard, Jeannette and Roland Searr, Pam, Bob Ranger, David Hart, Josée Lemoine and Mary Macdougall and for their families. We pray, also, for Matthew Bouchard, serving at this time with the Canadian Forces in Iraq and for all whose service to their country places them in danger. We pray for all those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and needy. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our own needs and those of others. *(Please add your own concerns and prayer requests)*  
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *(Please add your own thanksgivings.)*

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

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you, Lord, alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Today we pray for all who have died, especially, from our Book of Remembrance, for Julian Bertrand-Eddington, Lorna June Forsyth (née Clarke), James Robinson, Aileen Pelletier (née Gillies), and all those whose years' mind falls at this time. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Remembering our Lady, St Luke, St James of Jerusalem, and all the Saints and Holy Men and Women of God, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God. **To you, O Lord.**

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.**

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

**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.**

Glory to God, 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*

*Hymn:* All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew,  
me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true.  
God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust;  
what with care and toil we fashion, tower and temple, fall to dust.  
But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendour, light and life attend him, beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore from his store newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go.  
Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ, his Son.  
Christ doth call one and all: ye who follow shall not fall.

### *Final Blessing*

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please join us, before or right after the service, for a "virtual coffee time" on Zoom, online at (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/789373873> or by phone at 438 809-7799, meeting ID: 789 373 873).

ECOL Wellness Centre on Zoom, Tuesday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm, **Emergency Preparedness: Tips from the Red Cross.** Connect at <https://canadianredcross.zoom.us/j/97901256897?pwd=NVZZZ2I2YWFCUzAxdW9kYW1rdUY4UT09> or by phone at 438 809-7799, meeting ID: 979 0125 6897 and passcode 001413.

**Eating Well During the COVID-19 Pandemic** - How practicing healthy lifestyle habits can boost our immune system. Also from ECOL and also on Zoom. **Wednesday, October 21, 2020 - 10:00 to 11:30 AM (EST).** You must register in advance for this meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkfuCrrDkqH9PHs30bno-Eeiw1th0aCPWQ>.

ECOL (the English Community Organization of Lanaudière will be holding their annual meeting by Zoom on Monday, November 16th at 10:00 a.m. To register or for more information, please phone ECOL at 450-421-5379 or send an email to [ecollanaudiere@hotmail.com](mailto:ecollanaudiere@hotmail.com).

Rawdon's **Remembrance Day** observance will be on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, with a reduced ceremony at the cenotaph on 4e avenue at 11am. Due to that ceremony we will, as usual, have our service at **9:30am** on that day.

### **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St Luke the Evangelist</b>
Tuesday	<i>Feria</i>
Wednesday	<i>Feria</i>
Thursday	<i>Feria</i>
Friday	James of Jerusalem, <i>Day of discipline and self-denial</i>
Saturday	<i>Feria</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</b> ( <i>Proper 30</i> )

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