



St. Augustine's Church

A Church Family in the Heart of the City



Archangels, 1888 Mosaics by James Powell and Sons, St. John's Church, Warminster

September 29, 2024, 10:00 AM

St. Michael and All Angels
The Holy Eucharist
September 29, 2024

Prelude

Erinn Roberts

Opening Hymn: #320 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev Steve Bateman

Children's Focus

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

People **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.**

Glory to God

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *(all kneeling)*

All **Eternal God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals. Grant that as your holy angels stand before you in heaven, so at your command they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

At the conclusion of each reading, the reader shall say: **The Word of the Lord.**

And the people shall respond:

Thanks be to God.

First Reading Genesis 28:10-17

Tom Warwick

Second Reading Revelation 12:7-12

Rory Ball

Gradual Hymn: Above All

**Above all powers, Above all kings,
Above all nature and all created things;
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,
You were here before the world began.**

**Chorus: Crucified, laid behind the stone;
You lived to die, rejected and alone;
Like a rose, trampled on the ground,
You took the fall, and thought of me,
Above all.**

**Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,
Above all wonders the world has ever known;
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth,
There's no way to measure what You're worth.**

The Gospel: John 1:47-51

The Rev. Canon James Robinson

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge

Anthem

By Faith

Choral setting by Lloyd Larson

The Apostles' Creed (*all standing*)

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

All **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 (*all kneeling*)

Keith Griffioen

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Church of Pakistan.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: In our diocese we pray for St. Ambrose, Redcliff and The Rev. Deacon Eldean Parnell. We also pray for The Council for Urban Indigenous Ministry.

In our companion diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. George with St. Vincent, St. Peter, St. Luke and St. Alban, on Grenada and The Ven. Michael Marshall.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for those providing music ministry and for the Deputy Warden of Worship, Annette Bright, Senior Choir, and Handbell Choir.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and the people say together,

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.

Celebrant 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.**

The Peace

All stand, and one of the ministers addresses the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you**

Offertory Hymn: #328 Lo, God is Here! Let Us Adore

The Celebration of the Eucharist

(all standing)

Prayer over the Gifts

The Rev Steve Bateman

All **God of glory, as you have appointed angels to minister in your presence, so may all our worship bring you worthy praise. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer S3

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 to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels, with the fellowship of saints and the company of heaven, we glorify your holy name, evermore praising you and singing,

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant We praise you, merciful Father, not as we ought, but as we are able, because in your tender love you gave the world your only Son, in order that the world might be saved through him. He made you known by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick, liberating the oppressed, reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross, he confronted the power of sin and disarmed it for ever. In his offering of himself, he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Redeemed by Christ, we have been adopted as your children; by your pardon you have made us worthy to praise you.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." In obedience to him and with grateful hearts we approach your holy table, remembering our Saviour's sacrifice, and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again**

Celebrant Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving. May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

People **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer *(all kneeling)*

Celebrant 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Eucharist.

All (baptized or not) are invited to come forward for a blessing.

If you require a gluten free wafer, please inform the person administering the bread.

Communion Music:

Erinn Roberts

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray. *(all kneeling)*

All **Eternal God, you have fed us with the bread of angels. May we who come under their protection, like them give you continual service and praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Celebrant Glory to God *(all standing)*

All **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, forever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Recessional Hymn: #323 Ye Holy Angels Bright

Dismissal

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Joanne Collier and Karen Hudson

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of my parents, brother, sister and son by Mary Insley.

SHARING IN MINISTRY TODAY

GOSPELLER: James Robinson

INTERCESSOR: Keith Griffioen

LAY ASSISTANTS: Ade Aramide, Linda Bateman, David Hignell, Flora Mackay, Patricia Pope, Tim Pope, Denise Zonta

LECTORS: Rory Ball, Tom Warwick

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Tom Warwick

MUSICIANS: Steve Bateman, Joanne Collier, Barb Hignell, Karen Hudson, Erinn Roberts

SANCTUARY GUILD: Chris Burton, Jacky Hall-Buckland, Sue Milne, Brenda McGrath, Shelagh Stefan, Diana Young

SERVERS: Daniel Griffioen, Cooper Roberts, McKay Roberts

SIDESPEOPLE: Bob Gschaid, Juanita Loucks

COUNT SUPERVISOR: Margot Bailes

TECHNICAL CREW: Sound: Drusilla Pearson, Richard Wiebe; Videography: Ayo Aramide, Kimoya Edwards

NEWCOMERS MINISTRY: Ceri Penner and Jennifer Samayoa

Rector	The Rev. Steve Bateman
Associate Priest	The Rev. Dr. Gillian Breckenridge
Rector Emeritus	The Rev. Canon Allan McCuaig
Rector Emeritus	The Rev. Canon James Robinson
Children & Family Ministries	Stef Collins
Nursery & Special Events	Esther Oluwagbemi
Music Director	Karen Hudson
Organist	Mary Lee Voort
Interim Administrative Assistant	Gauri Weerakoon
Lead Verger	Joelle Duda
Assistant Vergers	Andrew Golison and Elizabeth Golison
Acolyte	Tom Warwick
Rector's Warden	Carol Young
Assistant Rector's Warden	Harriet Edwards
People's Warden	Doug McLaughlin
Assistant People's Warden	Jose Samayoa
Deputy Warden (Worship)	Annette Bright
Deputy Warden (Caring)	Julie and Leonard Lorenz
Deputy Warden (Fellowship)	Karen Hammond
Deputy Warden (Missional Outreach)	Chris Burton
Deputy Warden (Facilities)	Allan Besplug
Deputy Warden (Financial Stewardship)	Eliza Wiederspick
Deputy Warden (Communications)	Pat Hammond
Deputy Warden (Discipleship and Evangelism)	Patricia and Tim Pope

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What's Happening @ St. Augustine's?

September 29

- Fall Ministry Fair *see notices*
- Luke Bible Study *see notices*
- High School Youth Group *see notices*

September 30

- Office Closed *see notices*

October 1

- Truth and Reconciliation presentation *see notices*
- Middle School Youth Group *see notices*

Worship and Prayer Schedule

Tuesday: Morning Prayer, 8:30am (crypt)

Thursday: BCP Holy Communion, 9:30 am
(Chapel)

Sunday: BCP Holy Communion, 8:00 am
(Chapel)
Holy Eucharist, 10:00 am
(Church, livestream)

Happy Birthday to You!

Lori W., Adeyemi A., Atlas D.,
Christopher M., Simone R., Richard W.,
Mike B., Benjamin W., William B.,
Wunmi O.

Newcomers Welcome!

If you are visiting or if you are new to St. Augustine's, we would love to hear from you! In the pew, you will find newcomers' cards. Please feel free to fill it out and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the Newcomers' Table in the Narthex (through the doors on your left as you leave the church sanctuary). Please note that we are planning a Newcomers' Lunch following the 10am service on Sunday November 3. Please contact the office if you would like to join us (office@staug.org, 403-327-3970). More details will be provided in the coming weeks.

Office Closed

The Church office is closed on Monday, September 30, 2024, to mark National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Upcoming

October 6

- Nigerian Sunday *see notices*

October 13

- Holy Baptism/Harvest Thanksgiving *see notices*

October 23

- Women's Bible Study *see notices*

October 26

- Harvest Supper

November 3

- Newcomers Lunch

November 30

- Senior's Christmas Party

December 8

- Fall Confirmation Service

December 15

- Annual Christmas Play

Welcome Back Picnic - Thank-you!

A sincere thank you to all who attended and helped out with our annual Welcome Back Picnic last Sunday! In particular, we are grateful for the coordination and planning from Trish Bowers, Allison Kittleson, and Shelby Martens; and to Peter DeGorter for the incredible pulled pork! We had a great turnout and the weather was lovely! Happy Fall!

2025 Liturgical Calendars

The Canadian Church Calendars have arrived and are for sale at the office. If you would like one, they are \$8.00 each. Please pay by cheque or cash (exact change is required).

New Grief Share Groups Starting

Two new grief share groups are starting in October. Grief share is a well-established program that offers understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe space to navigate the challenges of grief. The groups start on **October 17** at **Bridges of Hope**, and **October 22** at **Fresh Life Church**, meeting from **7-9pm** every other week. For more information, please reach out to The Miz City Church at admin@themizcitychurch.org. You can find more information about the Grief Share program at griefshare.org.

ECM "Smiles and Snacks" Volunteers

Ecumenical Campus Ministry (ECM) is looking for volunteers to help with "Smiles and Snacks," an opportunity to chat with students, maybe give a crocheting lesson, or tell bad jokes. Every Tuesday from 11-1 at the Polytechnic (College) and every Thursday from 11-1 at the university we have a table set up, craft supplies on offer, and friendly volunteers ready to hand out snacks and visit with students. Some students stay long enough to pick out a granola bar, others bring their lunch and stay for a visit. It's delightful! We ask people to make a commitment to come regularly (but not necessarily every week) so that students have someone they know to touch base with if they are needing some encouragement. We will be planning other events through the academic year to provide support to students who may be a long way from home so even if Tuesdays or Thursdays don't work for you but you'd like to be on a volunteer list please let us know! If you are in Lethbridge or the surrounding area and would like to volunteer or want more information, please email us at ecm.kerber@gmail.com.

Luke Bible Study

Rev. Gillian will be offering an eight-week bible study on the Gospel of Luke starting on **September 29**. Each session will run from 12:30-1:30 PM on Sundays following the 10 AM service. You are invited to bring your lunch with you. In our lectionary cycle this Advent we will hear the gospel from St. Luke, so this study will help us to learn more about the themes in Luke's gospel and to hear the good news from this book once again in the lead up to Christmas. Please note that we will not be meeting on October 13 (Thanksgiving weekend). If you would like to attend this study, but would need childcare to do so, please let Rev. Gilian know. All are welcome and no background is needed. Please speak to Rev. Gillian for more information (gillian@staug.org).

Women's Bible Study

A new, six-week, Women's Bible Study called *Create in Me a Heart of Peace* is coming to St. Augustine's this October! Join us **Wednesday evenings at 6pm** in the Crypt as we gather together to pray, delve into Scripture and learn more about "the Peace of Christ that surpasses all understanding." Please register by emailing Wendy at ehamommy@icloud.com or let the office know you'd like to attend. Please bring a Bible, notebook and a favourite pen to the first session on **October 23**. Workbooks will be waiting for you there - a donation of \$12, if you are able, will cover their cost. This study is for women of all ages and stages of life. If there are barriers to your taking part, such as lack of childcare or accessibility, let us know and we will help in any way we can. We look forward to this time together as sisters in Christ.

Job Opportunity

Employment Opportunity: St. Augustine's Administrative Assistant

We are seeking applicants for this 30 hours/week position. Qualified applicants will be excellent written and verbal communicators, will have well-developed administrative, organizational and computer skills, and will be able to succeed in a fast-paced team-oriented workplace. Relevant post-secondary education and related experience would be considered assets.

Duties include: phone and in-person reception; preparing and/or distributing correspondence, service bulletins, volunteer rosters, mass mail-outs; maintaining church records, membership database and filing systems; purchasing supplies, maintaining office equipment; basic accounting and banking functions; and supporting Clergy and other team members as required.

Please apply as soon as possible, no later than September 30th, by submitting your resume and cover letter to steve@staug.org. Questions about this opportunity may be directed to Rev. Steve or Rev. Gillian.

Fall Ministry Fair

The Ministry Fair is an opportunity for parishioners new and old to become familiar with the many ministries that take place at St. Augustine's. It is for anyone who would like to join a program, volunteer their time to help, or just become more familiar with all that is happening. Tables will be set in the Narthex with volunteers available to answer your questions. Due to space constraints, we will emphasize different ministry areas each week according to the following schedule:

- Sept. 29 (Worship, Facilities, Children)

Upcoming Truth and Reconciliation Events:

- 7pm, **Tuesday October 1: Conversation with The Ven. Jacqui Durand and Rosie Jane Tailfeathers**

Please join us for a conversation with The Ven. Jacqui Durand, Archdeacon of Indigenous Ministry in the Diocese of Calgary, and Elder, Rosie Jane Tailfeathers, at 7pm on Tuesday October 1 to hear more about some of the work happening toward Truth and Reconciliation in the Anglican Church of Canada. We will hear about the movement toward self-determination in the Indigenous Church in the Anglican Church of Canada, and about a project to translate the bible into Blackfoot. All are welcome!

Missional Outreach

In Our Parish: Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful for all we have received and the bountiful gifts that are ours to share. Consider sharing with those in our Parish who need your support by providing funds or gift cards for Thanksgiving Hampers. Please donate at the church office or by e-transfer labelling your gift 'Hampers'.

In Our Community: St Augustine's will be providing the Soup Kitchen team for **Saturday October 26, 2024 from 10 - 1:30 pm**. Volunteer for this fun morning of fellowship and service by signing up in the Narthex or calling Chris Burton at 403-327-2222.

Nigerian Sunday

In honour of the many Nigerian families who make St. Augustine's their spiritual home, we will hold a special service at 10 AM on **October 6** with a distinct Nigerian flavour! The Rev. Femi Ogundimu will celebrate the Holy Eucharist from the Nigerian Book of Common Prayer that morning, and members of the Nigerian community will participate in a variety of ways throughout the service while leading us in some uniquely Nigerian traditions. The coffee hour following will even feature Nigerian themed fare. Come prepared to experience the joy of this international celebration.

Holy Baptism

A service of Holy Baptism is being planned for Sunday, **October 13** (Thanksgiving Weekend). If you would like to be baptized or have your child baptized, please be in touch with Rev. Steve or Rev. Gillian by approaching them on a Sunday morning, emailing them, or calling the church office.

Children's Ministry at St. Augustine's

Nursery services are available during the 10 am service. Weekly Sunday School for kids from preschool to grade five, exploring Bible stories through activities and crafts. Middle and High School students, grades 6-12, can engage in a diverse mix of activities on Sundays, fostering spiritual growth and community involvement.

Parent and Tot Group

Join us this Friday, October 4th 9:30am – 11:00am at the Downtown Lethbridge Family Center for the free drop-in Playzone program! Located at 200 4 Avenue South #225 in the Lethbridge Centre Tower. There is free parking at the top of the parkade and you can access that from 5th Avenue South. Contact Trish Bowers (trisholson8488@gmail.com) for more details!

Upcoming activities:

- October 11th - Helen Schuler Nature Center
- October 18th - West Wind Gymnastics Club

Middle School Youth Group – October 1st 5:30-7:30pm Movie Night.

High School Youth Group meet on **September 29th, 5-7pm** at St. Augustine's for a welcome back meeting/soup dinner.

Nursery team looking for volunteers!

Our church is growing and our nursery is busy on Sunday mornings! We have enough kids in the Nursery area that we are thinking about trialing a break-out area for toddler-aged nursery children. To do this, we need more volunteers who would be willing to help out in either the nursery or the toddler area. We need you! Could you offer just one hour on a Sunday every two months to help support this vital area of our church ministry? Please speak to Esther (in the nursery) or Rev. Gillian for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities for Fall Children's Programming!

We are still looking for volunteers in the following roles:

-Sunday School Teachers

-Parent Volunteers

-Middle/High School Volunteers

-Nursery Volunteers We try to keep the time commitment to once a month or less. Please contact Stef for more information: stef.collins@staug.org.