

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN
PENTECOST



August 16, 2026

10: 30 a.m. ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Land Acknowledgement
St Athanasius Anglican Church acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishnaabeg people. We acknowledge the enduring presence of First Nation, Metis, and Inuit peoples on this land and are committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect.

Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people.
Matthew 4: 23

Processional Hymn # 615 (CP) "Just As I Am"
Service begins BAS 185
Glory to God BAS 186
Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
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Children's Talk & Song (INSERT)
"All Are Welcome"

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD
First Reading Genesis 45: 1-15
Psalm # 133 BAS 890
Second Reading Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32
Gospel Hymn # 293 (CP)
"Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old"
verses 1 & 2 before the Gospel, verse 3 after
Holy Gospel Matthew 15: 10-20, 21-28

SERMON – Rev. Samuel
Apostles Creed BAS 189
Prayers of the People
Confession and Absolution BAS 191
The Peace BAS 192

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST
Offertory Hymn # 434 (CP)
"The Love of Jesus Calls Us"
Prayer over the Gifts
Loving God and Father, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Eucharistic Prayer # 2 BAS 196
The Lord's Prayer # 2 BAS 211
Breaking of the Bread # 2 BAS 212
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.
Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) BAS 247

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Communion Hymns (CP)
73 "One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All"
80 "We Hail Thee Now, O Jesus"
Prayer after Communion
Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord
Glory to God (Doxology) BAS 214
Blessing & Three-Fold Amen
Recessional Hymn # 430 (CP)
"Will You Come and Follow Me"
Dismissal BAS 215

Readings for August 23, 2026
BAS Morning Prayer with Lesley Rice
Exodus 1: 8 to 2: 10 Psalm 124
Romans 12: 1-8 Matthew 16: 13-20

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP IN THE HALL
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE**



The Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group is held between 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. in the church hall. Contact Lesley or Diane for more information or to join the group as we continue our study on "The Kingdom of God"

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Sun Aug 16 Eucharist with Rev. Samuel
Tues Aug 18 Bible Study 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Office open 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Thurs Aug 20 Office open 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Sun Aug 23 BAS Morning Prayer - Lesley

Sun Aug 30 Eucharist with Rev. Samuel
Birthday Sunday & Potluck
Sept FundScrip orders due early

Tues Sept 1 Ladies Fellowship Meeting 4 p.m.

Sat Sept 19 High Tea with music, Silent Auction
and Fashion Show \$30
12-4 p.m. St. James church hall
Contact Pennywise for tickets.

Youth Group will start in September Dates **TBA**

We continue to need people that will volunteer to help with the service on Sunday mornings.

We currently have 3 volunteers that are willing to run the 'zoom' services and one 'fill in' as work schedule allows. If interested in this position, training is available.

Chancel Guild can also use more volunteers. Contact one of the wardens (Dave, Isabelle or Wayne) to see what is involved in these volunteer positions.

Movies in the Park return this summer!

Join us for a summer of great movies, all FREE
All movies will begin around dusk / 9 p.m. Food or monetary donations will be accepted at the theatre to support The Orillia Community Fridge. Purchase some fresh popcorn on site or bring your own munchies and drinks.

August 21 (August 28) E.T. – The Extra Terrestrial

September 4 (September 11) - Pirates of The Caribbean The Curse of the Black Pearl
(RAIN DATES) in brackets)



Grace will be taking any **POP TABS** to be recycled at the **end of September**. Please bring pop tabs OR even pop cans to the church before then. Even small amounts of tabs add up to a big financial contribution to St. A's funds.

Anyone wishing personal prayers is invited to call Lesley Rice, Diane Campbell, or Gord Launchbury.

Our secretary, Nancy, will continue to be in the office on Tuesday and Thursday from 1- 4 p.m.

An easy way to continue your contributions to St. A's, even if you are unable to attend service every week, is to **join the PAR program**, where a predetermined amount (decided upon by you) will be deducted from your bank account or credit card each month and deposited in the St. A's account. See Grace for details.

ST. ATHANASIUS
ANGLICAN CHURCH
in the Diocese of Toronto welcomes you.
**MAY ALL WHO ENTER FIND PEACE
AND COMFORT**



MISSION STATEMENT: "We will share God's love in our community by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in words and action".

MOTTO: "Sharing God in Everything We Do"

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SUNDAY SERVICES - 10:30 a.m.



May the peace of Christ surround you as you worship today.
Know that God loves you & is with you now and always.