



## Ascension

May 17, 2026

10: 30 a.m. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY** BAS 185

*Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age. Matthew 28: 19, 20*

Processional Hymn # 405 (CP) "Alleluia No. 1"

Glory to God

Gathering Prayer

**Holy God, send your promised Spirit of revelation and wisdom, so that, in the blessed freedom of hope, we may witness to the grace of forgiveness and sing with joy to the One who makes us one. Amen.**

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.  
Children's Talk & Song (INSERT) "Jump for Joy"

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

First Reading

Acts 1: 1-11

Psalm # 47

BAS 764

Second Reading

Ephesians 1: 15-23

Gospel Hymn # 247 VS 1,2 / 3,4

"Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

Holy Gospel

Luke 24: 44-53

**SERMON** – Rev. Samuel

Apostles Creed

BAS 189

Prayers of the People # 15

BAS 122

Confession and Absolution

BAS 191

The Peace

BAS 192

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Offertory Hymn # 507 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Prayer over the Gifts

**Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has**

**promised to be with us until the end of time.**

**Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake 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

Communion Hymns

# 49 "Draw Near and Take"

# 56 "I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life"

Prayer after Communion

**Eternal Giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Glory to God (Doxology)

BAS 214

Blessing & Three-Fold Amen

Recessional Hymn # 309 COMMON PRAISE

"Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet"

Dismissal

BAS 215

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



Sun May 17 Ascension Sunday with Rev. Samuel

Victoria Day Weekend

Tue May 19 Bible Study 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Office open 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Thurs May 21 Office open 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Sun May 24 Pentecost with Rev. Ron  
Ice Cream Sundae Sunday  
All are welcome!

Sat May 30 Celebration of Life for Gloria Johnson 11 a.m. at St. Athanasius church

Sun May 31 Trinity Sunday with Ven. John Anderson



St. Athanasius Spring Blossom Luncheon and Sale was once again a success with delicious soup, sandwiches and dessert. The Ladies Fellowship Group was able to raise over \$1600 (minus expenses) to use for outreach in the community.

Readings for May 24, 2026  
Pentecost with Rev. Ron  
Numbers 11: 24-30 Psalm 104: 25-35  
Acts 2: 1-21 John 20: 19-23



Study The **Tuesday Morning Bible Study Group** is held between 10 a.m. 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 "Listening to God". We will be starting a study on 'The Kingdom of God' in the near future.

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

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

We continue to **need people that will volunteer** to help on Sunday mornings with the service. We have 14 volunteers that are available to be readers during the year **but only 3 regulars that are willing to run the 'zoom' for our services.** If you are interested in this position, training is available.

Likewise, we have 6 people who are willing to create prayers of the people each month, **but only 6 regulars that have volunteered as sides people.** If you wish to be a sides person (we need two each week) and not count the money, a substitute money counter can be arranged. **Chancel Guild** can always use more volunteers. Contact one of the wardens or Grace to see what is involved in these volunteer positions.



The **baby bottle drive fundraiser** for The Pregnancy Resource Centre **kicked off** on **Mother's Day, May 10** and **runs until Father's Day, Sunday, June 21.** (Baby bottles will be available to take home & fill with cash). Even small, individual contributions add up!



To celebrate **the month of May, spring time and good friends,** we will be having an **ice cream social** after church on **May 24th.** Please join us for ice cream with a wide variety of toppings available.

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. This is ideal for those who work Sundays, go on holidays, or just want the convenience of not writing a cheque each week, or arranging to have the correct cash you want to contribute. **Please contact Grace for more details,** or speak to our treasurer Linda or one of the wardens



**Continue to pray** for those in our community and around the world. We cry out to you Lord God for peace on earth! There are so many countries in crisis and all are in need of your intervention. We pray for the Middle East, for The Ukraine and Russia, the USA, Haiti, Sudan, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. God is a wonderful, loving God and will be with each of us, during these trying times.

# 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