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ST. GEORGE'S-IN-THE-PINES CHURCH

The Solemnity of All Saints

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

11:00 am Solemn Eucharist



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# Saint George's-in-the-Pines

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THE TWENTY-FIRST SATURDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

31 October, 2009 • Renewal of Marriage Vows at 11:00 am

Prelude

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Opening Hymn *ALL STAND TO SING*

*Tune: Hyfrydol*

LOVE Divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heav'n, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
JESU, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter ev'ry trembling heart.  
Come, almighty to deliver,  
let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.  
Finish then thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee:  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Mutual Salutation *ALL REMAIN STANDING*

*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* Friends in Christ, we are gathered together with all these couples  
who have come today to give thanks for God's blessing upon them,  
and to reaffirm their marriage covenant.

Let us pray.

*PLEASE KNEEL*

Grant, O God, in your love,  
that all these couples who now reaffirm the covenant  
which they have made with their spouse, may continue to grow  
in loyalty, love, and forgiveness; and come at last to the eternal joys  
which you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

*All* Amen.

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**The First Reading** *PLEASE BE SEATED* *Song of Solomon 2.8–13*

*Reader* A reading from the second chapter of the Song of Solomon,  
beginning at the eighth verse.

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the  
mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or  
a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at  
the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and  
says to me: “Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now  
the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on  
the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle-  
dove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the  
vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my  
fair one, and come away.”

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

**The Holy Gospel** *ALL STAND* *John 2.1–11*

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*Gospeller* There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus  
was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the  
wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him,  
“They have no wine.” And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what  
concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” His  
mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” Now  
standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of  
purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to  
them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the  
brim. He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the  
chief steward.” So they took it. When the steward tasted the water  
that had become wine, and did not know where it came from

**Blessing**

*Celebrant* The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts  
and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus  
Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the  
Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you  
always.

*All* Amen.

**Closing Hymn** *ALL STAND TO SING*

*Tune: Bishopthorpe*

**O** CHRIST was a good guest to have at the feast  
to pledge all glad lovers in mirth,  
to charm water jars with GOD’s cheerful yeast,  
leaving friend’s with a full wedding’s worth.

O CHRIST was a guest at Samaria’s well,  
where outcast and chosen at strife  
were offered GOD’s drink—grace in a dry spell—  
sweet water still running deep as life.

O CHRIST be our guest and true host at this rite,  
and bless what you bring to our feast:  
bread broken for us, shared wine of delight,  
and the flow of love’s wellspring released.

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary**

**WELCOME! A NOTE TO VISITORS**

A very warm greeting to you. Please join us for coffee and light refreshments  
after our service. Since 1889, St. George’s has welcomed visitors from all over  
the world to Banff National Park.

We feel we are called by God to serve as a centre of Anglican worship,  
community service, and connection with creation within the community of  
Banff. Anchored by the Anglican tradition, we open our doors and our hearts  
to all regardless of their faith or tradition. We strive to demonstrate Jesus’ love  
and teachings through our services, events, activities and practices.

We hope you enjoy your trip, and learn more about us. Please visit our website  
at [www.StGeorgesInThePines.org](http://www.StGeorgesInThePines.org) from time to time. We are a small, hard-  
working congregation that struggles to provide the resources to keep our  
ministry vital and our 120-year-old building viable. You may feel called to  
become a Friend of St. George’s and share in this ministry. There are visitors’  
envelopes on the back table and your gift will be responsibly used and much  
appreciated. You can also click on the “Canada Helps” link on our website and

that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All* Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

*All* Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

*People* God here among us, light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.

### The Invitation

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Communion Psalm 128

*Plainsong (Tone II)*

*ALL WHO ARE BAPTIZED, IN WHATEVER CHURCH, ARE WELCOME  
TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OR BLESSING. NO INTINCTION.*

### Prayer after Communion *PLEASE KNEEL*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Gracious God, may each couple, who has been bound together in these holy mysteries, strengthen as one in heart and soul. May they live in fidelity and peace and obtain those eternal joys prepared for all who live you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

*Celebrant* Glory to God,

*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, for ever and ever. Amen.

(though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Homily** *PLEASE BE SEATED*

*The Rector*

*THE COUPLES PRESENT THEMSELVES BEFORE THE CELEBRANT.*

### The Renewal of Vows

*Celebrant* Do you here, in the presence of God and this congregation, renew the commitment you made when you bound yourself to your spouse in holy marriage?

*Couples* I do.

*Couples* Gracious God, we remember with thanksgiving our vows of love and commitment to you and to each other in marriage. We pray for your continued blessing. May we learn from our joys and sorrows, and discover new riches in our life together in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

### The Blessing

*Celebrant* May the power of God keep you, the love of God be in your life and work together, the grace of God strengthen your love that it may endure for ever.

*All* Amen.

### The Prayers of the People *PLEASE KNEEL*

*Leader* Let us pray.

Almighty God, in whom we live and move and have our being, look graciously upon the world which you have made and for which your Son gave his life, and especially on all whom you make to be one flesh in holy marriage. May their lives together be a sacrament of your love to this broken world, so that unity may overcome estrangement, forgiveness heal guilt, and joy overcome despair.

Lord, in your mercy,

*People* Hear our prayer.

*Leader* May each couple so live together that the strength of their love may enrich our common life and become a sign of your faithfulness.

Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* Hear our prayer.

*Leader* May they cherish the gift and heritage of children and continue to receive the grace to bring them up to know and love you.

Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* Hear our prayer.

*Leader* May each of their home be a place of truth, security, and love; and their lives an example of concern for others.

Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* Hear our prayer.

*Leader* May those who have witnessed these vows find their lives strengthened and their loyalties confirmed.

Lord, in your mercy,  
*People* Hear our prayer.

**The Peace** *ALL STAND, THE COUPLES RETURN TO THEIR PLACES*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

**The Offertory** *ALL STAND*

*Psalm 50.14*

*Celebrant* Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

**The Doxology** *ALL SING*

*Tune: Old Hundredth*

**P**RAISE GOD from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST. Amen.

**Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* God of the covenant, hear our prayer, and accept all we offer you this day. You have made each couple one in the sacrament of marriage. May the mystery of Christ's unselfish love, which we celebrate in this eucharist, increase their love for you and for each other; through Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*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* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise in the assembly of your people. You made us in your image; male and female you created us. You give us the gift of marriage and call us to reflect your faithfulness as we serve one another in the bond of covenant love. Therefore we raise our voices, with all who have served you in every age, to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

*by Jim Strathdee*

*All Sing* Holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
blessèd is he who comes, comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!

*PLEASE KNEEL*

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

*All* we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection,  
we await his coming in glory;

*Celebrant* and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,