

## **A Prayer by Gerald Butt**

*written for St. George's Cathedral, Jerusalem*

O Lord soften the stone hearts  
of those who preach and practice  
intolerance and bigotry;  
as the sun's setting glow  
softens the stone walls  
of your holy city, Jerusalem.

Lord, the rocky hills, the valleys,  
the deserts and the sea shores  
are filled with the echoes of centuries of pain.  
Lord, bring peace to house and village.  
Comfort the mothers who fret  
and those who mourn.  
Lord, keep strong the twisted old root  
of the olive tree,  
and protect the young vine.

Lord of water and stone,  
of bread and wine,  
Lord of the resurrection,  
feed hope, and bring peace,  
to this wracked but beautiful Holy Land. Amen.

## **Anglican Parish of Stafford-Whitewater**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter May 13, 2018  
Jerusalem Sunday**

*9 a.m. St. Stephen's (Micksburg)*

*11 a.m. St. Paul's (Cobden)*

**Parish Incumbent:** Rev. L. Wheeler (613-735-3373)

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**Alleluia! Christ is risen.**

**Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

**Opening Sentence** *Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may they prosper who love you! (Psalm 122:6)*

**Opening Hymn #278** *Jerusalem the Golden*

**The Gathering of the Community** *(BAS, p.185)*

Collect of the Day

**The Proclamation of the Word**

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; **Hymn #439** *Blest are the Pure in Heart;*  
1 John 5:9-13

**Gospel proclamation:** John 17:6-19

**Reflection** **The Nicene Creed** *(BAS, 188)*

**Prayers of the People** (response: *Come, Holy Spirit, come*).

**The Peace**

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Offertory Hymn #575** *Let Streams of Living Justice*

**The Prayer Over the Gifts**

**Eucharistic Prayer 3** *(BAS, 198; Preface for the Ascension, 222)*

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Breaking of the Bread #8** *(BAS, 213)*

*(P)* Lord, we died with you on the cross. **(All) Now we are raised to new life.** *(P)* We were buried in your tomb. **(All) Now we share in your resurrection.** *(P)* Live in us, that we may live in you.

**Lamb of God (#745)** **Prayer After Communion**

**Doxology** *(BAS, 214)*

**Closing Hymn #576** *For the Healing of the Nations*

**Closing Prayer / Blessing**

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## Prayers

### *Companion Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem*

**In our diocese:** The people of God of Church of the Ascension (Ottawa), Julian of Norwich (Ottawa). For all church musicians in our diocese.

**In our Parish:** Gay Tushingam (*St. Aug.*); Darrell, Juanita & Chad Graham (*St. Pat.*); Bev Hill (*St. Paul*); Jennie Mick (*St. Stephen*); Beth Leach (*St. Thomas*).

For all mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers: past, present and future.

**For those who have asked for our prayers:** Heather, Jack, Ryan, Dakota, Haley, Sherry, Ruth, Lepha, Donna, Iris, James, Sharon, Dave, Nicholas, Donald, Phil, Ed, Peggy, Carolyn, Michael, Annemarie, Roy, Harry, Lloyd. For family, friends and community mourning the recent deaths and losses. For all those in need: those we hold in our hearts and those known only to God.

For our indigenous brothers and sisters throughout Canada. For refugees and all who are homeless. For victims of violence, terrorism and natural disaster. For lasting peace throughout our world. For all of God's creation.

**May 20 – Pentecost** 9:00 a.m. St. Thomas, Rankin (HE); 11:00 a.m. St. Augustine's, Beachburg (HE); 11 a.m. St. Paul's, Cobden (MP/Service of the Word)

<p><b>Note: Schedule Revision -- June 24<sup>th</sup> The Birth of St. John the Baptist Joint Parish Service, 10 a.m.</b> St. Paul's, Cobden (HE) (with baptism)</p>
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**June 2** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. **The Big Give** at Cobden Astrolabe Arena. A free event sponsored by the Churches of Cobden: free garage sale, kids fun fair with inflatables, coffee, snacks, BBQ lunch & much, much more. *thebiggive.ca*

**June 10.** At both the 9 a.m. service (St. Thomas, Rankin) and the 11 a.m. service (St. Paul's, Cobden), the Rt. Rev. Michael Bird, retired bishop of Niagara and new incumbent in the evolving area parish will preach.

## Readings

**May 20** (*Day of Pentecost, Red*) Acts 2:1-21; Ps. 104:25-35, 37b; Romans 8:22-27; Gospel: John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

**May 27** (*Trinity Sunday, White*) Isaiah 6:1-8; Ps. 29; Romans 8:12-17; Gospel: John 3:1-17

**June 3** (*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Green*) Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Ps. 8:1-10; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6

**June 10** (*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Green*) Genesis 3:8-15; Ps. 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Gospel: Mark 3: 20-35

**June 17** (*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Green*) Ezekiel 17:22-24; Ps. 92:1-4, 11-14; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17; Gospel: Mark 4:26-34c

**June 24** (*The Birth of Saint John the Baptist, White*) Isaiah 40:1-11; Ps. 85:7-13; Acts 13:14b-26; Gospel: Luke 1:57-80