



**A Celebration in Loving Memory of and
Thanksgiving for the Life of
Richard “King” Kingdon Baker
1 May 1941—12 May 2026**



Saturday 16 May 2026, 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Music before the Liturgy

The Congregation stands for the hymn.

Hymn 3—Morning Has Broken

Bunessan

**Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

The Gathering

Presider 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.**

Presider We have come here today to remember with thanksgiving our brother King, to give thanks for his life, to commend him to God's eternal care, and to comfort one another in our grief.

Let us pray. *Silence.*

O God, the maker and redeemer of all, grant us, with your servant King and all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection; that in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Congregation sits.

Psalm

104:1, 10-25

All

**Bless the LORD, O my soul; O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and splendour.**

**You send the springs into the valleys; they flow between the mountains. All the
beasts of the field drink their fill from them, and the wild asses quench their thirst.**

**Beside them the birds of the air make their nests and sing among the branches. You
water the mountains from your dwelling on high; the earth is fully satisfied by the
fruit of your works.**

**You make grass grow for flocks and herds and plants to serve humankind; that they
may bring forth food from the earth, and wine to gladden our hearts, oil to make a
cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen the heart.**

**The trees of the LORD are full of sap, the cedars of Lebanon which God planted, in
which the birds build their nests, and in whose tops the stork makes a dwelling.**

**The high hills are a refuge for the mountain goats, and the stony cliffs for the rock
badgers. You appointed the moon to mark the seasons, and the sun knows the time
of its setting.**

**You make darkness that it may be night, in which all the beasts of the forest prowl.
The lions roar after their prey and seek their food from God. The sun rises, and they
slip away and lay themselves down in their dens.**

**Humankind goes forth to their work and to their labour until the evening. O LORD,
how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full
of your creatures.**

The Congregation stands.

Hymn

519—The Lord's My Shepherd

Crimond

**The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want: he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.**

**My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness, even for his own name's sake.**

**Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.**

**My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.**

**Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore my dwelling place shall be.**

The Gospel

Matthew 6:25-34

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Presider Jesus said, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

The Gospel of Christ.

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

The Congregation sits.

The Sermon

The Rev. Canon Brad Smith

*A silence for reflection follows the sermon.
The Congregation stands when the Presider stands.*

The Apostles' Creed

Presider 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, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

The Prayers of the People

Presider O loving God,
People **hear our prayers.**

The Sharing of the Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Members of the Congregation are invited to turn to those around them to exchange a sign of peace.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Hymn 509—Precious Lord, Take My Hand Precious Lord

**Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

**When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near;
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

**When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand; guide my feet, hold my hand:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

The Prayer over the Gifts of Bread and Wine

Presider God of mercy, accept the worship we offer you this day. Increase, we pray, our faith, deepen our hope, and confirm us in your eternal love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider May God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

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

Presider Blessed are you gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, whose victorious rising from the dead has given to us the hope of the resurrection and the promise of eternal life. Therefore with angels and archangels and all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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.**

Presider 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."

All Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Presider 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, 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 children; 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

Presider And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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

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

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

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Communion

All baptised persons may receive Communion in bread and wine, or bread alone. Please come forward in single file to the High Altar rail and return to your seat via the Sacristy. Those who find steps or walking difficult may request that Communion be brought to them. Gluten free Hosts are available upon request. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion may indicate their desire by crossing their arms over their breast when they approach the Presider.

Hymn during Communion 505—Be Thou My Vision

Slane

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.**

**Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

The Congregation stands when the Presider returns to the Altar.

Prayer after Communion

Presider God of love, you have fed us at the table of your kingdom.
Teach us to trust, without fear, in your eternal goodness and mercy.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All **Amen.**

THE COMMENDATION

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Presider Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all;
and we are mortal, formed of the earth,
and to the earth shall we return.

For so did you ordain when you created me, saying,
“You are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

All of us go down to the dust;
yet even at the grave we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints,
where sorrow and pain are no more,
neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Into your hands, O merciful Saviour,
we commend your servant Richard Kingdon.
Acknowledge, we pray, a sheep of your own fold,
a lamb of your own flock,
a sinner of your own redeeming.
Receive him into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

All **Amen.**

The Nunc Dimittis

Presider Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared before the face of all
people; to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the
beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.**

Refrain **Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
how great thou art, how great thou art!
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**When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; *Refrain***

**But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin; *Refrain***

**When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
and claim his own, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, “My God, how great thou art!” *Refrain***

Postlude

*Please remain in your seats standing as you are able,
as the clergy and family depart.*

You are warmly invited to a reception immediately following in the Guild Hall.

All are welcome to attend the interment at Little Lake Cemetery at 1:30 p.m.

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Welcome!

Children's Ministry

We welcome children and youth, who may remain with you to worship and do not have to remain perfectly still and quiet! Please feel free to allow them to roam if they wish. Families are most welcome to use the activities in the children's area in the church and to bring colouring sheets, toys, and snacks for their children.

On Posture in Worship

It is customary that we stand to pray and sing and sit to hear God's Word proclaimed and interpreted. Some people prefer to kneel to pray. Please adopt the posture that helps you to worship.

Visitor's Cards

If you're visiting, please do take the time to complete a visitor's card, which can be found in the rack on the bookcase in the Chapel. We would love the opportunity to stay in touch with you.

Making an Offering (Donation)

To support the ministry of the parish, an offering may be made by placing cash or a cheque in an envelope available where you picked up this order of service. Please write your name and address on the envelope, then place it on the brass offering plate. Tax receipts are issued for gifts of \$25 or more. We also have a convenient pre-authorised giving program for monthly donations that are debited from your bank account or we accept e-transfers to office@stjohnspeterborough.ca. Please visit www.stjohnspeterborough.ca/donate for more information.

Accessibility

The facility is entirely accessible through the Brock St entrance, from where all levels of the facility are accessible via elevator.

Washrooms/Change Table

Accessible washrooms are located down the hall from the narthex (lobby). A change table is in the nursery at the end of the hall.

Fragrances

We ask that you refrain from wearing strong fragrances in order to accommodate those with breathing sensitivities.

Fellowship & Refreshments

All are welcome to stay after the liturgy for fellowship and refreshments in the Guild Hall.