

# Christ Church Deer Park

May 16, 2021  
Ascension Sunday

Holy Eucharist  
9:15am



**WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH DEER PARK**  
We are so glad to have you worship with us!

We are a growing, diverse, and energetic faith community learning to follow Jesus together.  
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.

## Mass Setting

Missa Pacem

*Babin*

**Prelude** Voluntary in B-flat

*Maurice Greene*

## The Welcome

### Opening Hymn

We Exalt Your Name

*Kari Jobe/Matt Maher*

Spirit, come and change the atmosphere,  
Convict and open hearts to hear  
The anthems that the angels sing,  
The worship of the King of kings.  
For Jesus reigns, over all, he reigns.

#### *Chorus*

We exalt your name; high above the heavens.  
We exalt your name; all of creation sings praise.  
For Jesus reigns, over all, he reigns.

Your presence fills and satisfies,  
Tears down the walls we hide behind.  
O God of ev'ry aching heart,  
We long for you in light and dark.  
For Jesus reigns, over all, he reigns.  
*(Repeat Chorus)*

## The Greeting

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you.

**All: May he fill our hearts with joy.**

All:

Refrain

Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a! Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a! And peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
 Almighty God and Father,  
 we worship you, we give you thanks,  
 we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
 only Son of the Father,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 you take away the sin of the world:  
 have mercy on us;  
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
 receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
 you alone are the Lord,  
 you alone are the Most High,  
 Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
 in the glory of the Father. Amen.

### The Collect of the Day

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: **Amen**

## Listening to God Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Acts

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." *Acts 1:1-11*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 93

*Hal H. Hopson*

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Let our voic - es ev - er sing.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to our God and King.

God, our Lord, a King remaining, seated on the throne in light,  
You have robed yourself, and reigning, clothed yourself with pow'r and might.

In its everlasting station, earth is poised to swerve no more;  
You have laid your throne's foundation from all time where thought can soar.

Lord, the words your lips are telling are the perfect and the true.  
In your high eternal dwelling, holiness shall live with you.

## The Holy Gospel

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Luke 24:44-53*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Message

## Musical Interlude

Prelude du Septième Ton

*Jacques Boyvin*

## 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, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

*We pray for the needs of our world, the Church, and ourselves.*

Intercessor: As we gather in God's presence, let us pray to the Lord, saying,  
Lord, in your mercy,

**All: Hear our prayer.**

### The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### Sharing What We Have

*God has blessed us abundantly and we have the opportunity to give back to God and serve others in the name of Christ. This response to God's grace and love allows us to share our faith with the next generation, support local ministry, offer beautiful worship to God, and maintain a physical presence in our neighbourhood. Your generous support helps anchor our mission and ministry as together we navigate these turbulent waters. Many of us give with weekly donation or by pre-authorized giving. And there is a place on our website to make a donation. We are grateful for all gifts.*

### Offertory Hymn

Go

*Leon Patillo*

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, go, go, go.

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, go, go, go.

Baptizing them in the name of the Father and Son and Holy Ghost,

Go, go, go.

If you love me, really love me, feed my sheep.

If you love me, really love me, feed my sheep.

And lo, I'll be with you forever and ever, until the ends of the world.

Go, go, go.

*Repeat verse 1*

## Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: 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.

**All: Amen.**

## Celebrating the Eucharist

### The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

## Sanctus & Benedictus

Missa Pacem

*Babin*

Soloist: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name, who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest!

Presider: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

**All: Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: 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**

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: "I am the bread of life" says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in will never thirst."

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

Presider: These are the gifts of God, for you the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Communion Solo**

Alleluia from *Exsultate, Jubilate*

Mozart



## **Prayer after Communion**

Presider: Let us pray.  
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.

**All: Amen.**

**All: Glory to God, 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.**

## **Blessing**

Presider: May God's light shine light in you, through you, over you. May you make a difference in this world, for God's glory and purpose. May you set God's way before you, and may you reflect the peace and hope of Jesus Christ into a world that so desperately needs the Holy Spirit's presence and healing. May you live in gratitude of this indescribable gift! To God be glory and honour, in this season of Resurrection. In Jesus' name, and may the blessing of God, Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer be with you this day and always.

**All: Amen.**

## **Announcements**

## **Dismissal**

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia**

## Closing Hymn

### Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Llanfair



1. Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
2. There the glo - rious tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!
3. High - est heav'n its Lord re - ceives, Al - le - lu - ia!
4. See, he lifts his hands a - bove; Al - le - lu - ia!



To his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Yet he loves the earth he leaves; Al - le - lu - ia!  
See, he shows the wounds of love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners giv'n, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ has con - quered death and sin; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Hark, his gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!



Now as - cends the high - est heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Still he calls the world his own. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Bless - ings on his Church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!

**Today we prayerfully remember  
Elizabeth Muir who died on May 8, 2021**



Presider:  
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

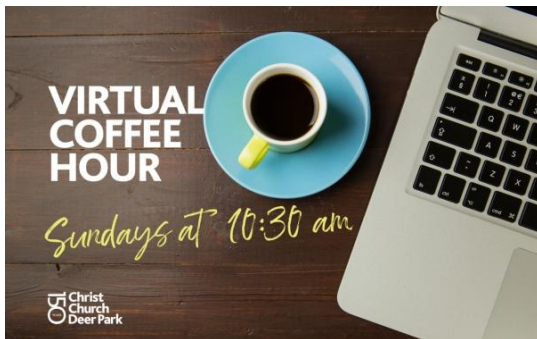
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**Missing fellowship with your pew mates after Sunday services? Let's get together for Zoom Coffee (half) Hour on Sundays at 10:30 am starting this Sunday.**

[You can log onto zoom to join the coffee hour](#) or you can call in on your phone by calling 647-558-0588, entering the meeting ID: 852 6926 8572 and password: 622495

# Announcements



## REPORT ON THE MOORE FAMILY CHALLENGE

*John 15:16 “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.”*

In the closing days of this season of Easter, we have more joyful news to share! With heartfelt thanks to David and Joan Moore, their entire family and to the many parishioners who responded to their generous challenge, we are pleased to report that around \$245,000 has been raised to ensure that Christ Church Deer Park will continue to bear fruit – fruit that will last. While this is a fantastic result, we would love to surpass the quarter million mark! In fact, there is no reason to stop at this level ... there is still time to donate.

This achievement includes the Moore’s “matching” gift of up to \$100,000, which was maximized through the contributions of 50 parishioners who rose to the challenge to raise funds for the following three purposes:

- i. Eliminate the 2021 operating deficit ensuring that our wonderful ministries will continue during COVID and beyond;
- ii. Ensure that much needed physical improvements and maintenance are fully funded; and
- iii. Ensure that our Investment Fund is not depleted and can contribute to CCDP operations over the long term.

Some donors designated their contributions to only one of these objectives and we are pleased to report that, due to the success of the campaign, these wishes will be easily accommodated. As mentioned previously, there is still time to contribute to the Moore Family Challenge. Anyone interested in making a cash donation can mail or drop off a personal cheque, provide a pledge letter to the church (if you would like to spread your special gift over the year) or use our new e-transfer facility to make your gift to CCDP. Gifts of stock, which can be more tax efficient for the donor, are also accepted (please contact the church office for transfer instructions). In all cases, please make a note that the gift relates to the “Moore Family Challenge” to distinguish it as a special one-time gift apart from your regular giving.

Your Management Team would like to take this opportunity to thank all who contributed to this wonderful campaign, including our Stewardship Committee for their outreach, and with a special thanks to the Moore family for their generous and impactful call to action.



## The Needs of our City during Lockdown

Most of us are languishing at home – tired of lockdown – tired of Covid... but we are primarily well. We may be sad, but we have not suffered. Not so for many others in our city. Food banks and other providers of service to those in need, have seen a dramatic increase in the number of households needing their aid. Yonge Street Mission has reached out to Christ Church for the following items:

- **Body Soap/Body wash**
- **Toothpaste**
- **Deodorant**
- **Body cream**
- **Toilet paper**
- **Baby diapers - size 6 (the most popular and we have none left)**
- **Baby diapers size 7**
- **Pull-ups sizes 2T-3T, 3T-4T and 4T-5T**

Email or call Eleanor Edwards with any questions or to arrange dropping off your donations (She will also discuss the possibility of picking up donations):

[eedwards@ysm.ca](mailto:eedwards@ysm.ca)

T -- 416 929 9614 x4212

C -- 647 466 1865

YSM is also in need of volunteers for its health centre. They are currently seeking the following:

**Dentists, Physiotherapists and Chiropractors.**

If you are a healthcare professional who would like to support youth experiencing poverty, please contact Donnett Bailey at [dbailey@ysm.ca](mailto:dbailey@ysm.ca).

COMMUNITY

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Christ Church Deer Park

## Community Connection Groups

One of the ways CCDP parishioners have stayed in touch throughout this pandemic is being part of a Community Connection Group. Each group meets once a week on Zoom and members share what is happening in their lives and explore the Sunday sermon in more depth. Our Community Connection Groups are starting up again the week of May 9 through to June 6. You can look forward to your group leader reaching out to you to get things started. If you are not in a group and would like to be, please email Cathy Gibbs ([adultministries@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:adultministries@christchurchdeerpark.org)) or phone her (416 454-7717)



CHRIST CHURCH DEER PARK

## Children & Youth Ministry

Zoom



Follow us on Instagram @CCDPYOUTH

for devos, announcements & fun!

For more information, please contact Ali McIntosh at [amcintosh@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:amcintosh@christchurchdeerpark.org)

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (*ho-den-oh-show-nee*), and Anishinabek (*ah-nish-nah-bek*) Nations, and most recently, the territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. This territory is part of the *Dish with One Spoon Treaty*, an agreement between the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee, and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

Today, Toronto is still home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (*North America*) and we seek to live in respect, peace, and right relations with them as we meet and worship on this territory. We are grateful for the resources we are using, and honour all the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people who have been living on this land since time immemorial.

## ! VISITOR INFORMATION



**Hearing Assistance Devices** are located on the table beside the bell-tower entrance.

**Large Print** Orders of Service are available.

## Happening this week at Christ Church Deer Park:

### Monday, May 17

4:00 pm Community Connection Group  
7:30 pm Community Connection Group

### Tuesday, May 18

10:00 am Community Connection Group  
6:30 pm Community Connection Group  
7:35 pm Community Connection Group

### Wednesday, May 19

6:30 pm Community Connection Group

### Thursday, May 20

10:00 am Community Connection Group

### Saturday, May 22

8:00 am Community Breakfast

### Sunday, May 23 – Day of Pentecost

9:15 am Holy Eucharist – Live Stream



## PARKING

**Free Sunday Parking** is available on Sunday mornings (until 1:30 pm) at the public parking lot, just across from the church on Heath Street.

Stamp your parking ticket using the church address stamp found on the table at the bell-tower door. After church, go to the customer service office with your validated ticket where you will be given an exit ticket. Please park only on the lower levels.



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