Christ Church Deer Park

August 28, 2022 The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

> Holy Eucharist at 10:30 am



BIG QUESTIONS SERIES

Is God M.I.A.?

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH DEER PARK We are 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.

Our Community



We are a growing and diverse Anglican community of people learning to follow Jesus and to love our neighbours. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are invited to join us.

Young and old, from all walks of life, we gather in this historic and beautiful place in the heart of midtown Toronto to worship the

living God. We are committed to nurturing the spiritual lives of all our people—from our kids to our seniors.

We find the mystery of God in all of our varied worship—our fabulous choir lifts our spirits, and we also love gathering more informally to sing alongside a piano and guitar. We know that coming through our doors into this holy space may feel kind of daunting, so our people pay special attention to welcoming newcomers. We are learning to be a truly invitational community.

We are curious and open—loving those on the margins as well as those of us who feel at home in the Church. We feed the hungry at our community breakfasts and we welcome refugees to a new life in Canada. We believe all people are created in the image of God and our LGBTQ2SI siblings are included in all the practices of our life of faith.

We believe in a God of joy and abundance! Jesus loved to party and celebrate, so we do, too. From Sunday mornings to other days during the week, you will find us breaking bread together, praying, and learning more about how to become disciples of Jesus in our 21st century world.

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If you are here a few minutes early, please join us for refreshments on the south lawn.

Prelude Master Tallis Testament

Welcome

Opening Hymn #425 v.1-3

Hymn to Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, Opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, Earth and heaven reflect thy rays; Stars and angels sing around thee, Centre of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father and our Mother, All who live in love are thine; Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine. Howells

(please stand as you are able)

Gathering

Babin

Presider:We come to worship this morning from different places.All:O God, do not be far from us.

We come to worship this morning for different reasons. **O God, do not be far from us.**

We experience the presence of the Spirit in different ways. **O God, do not be far from us.**

We hear Jesus' words with different ears. **O God, do not be far from us.**

"Take up your cross." **O God, do not be far from us.**

"Follow me." O God, we thank you for drawing near to us in this place, in our lives. Amen.

Gloria

Missa Pacem

Refrain:





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

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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. *Refrain*

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 God the Father. Amen, amen. *Refrain*

Opening Prayer

- Presider: We come as seekers, Unsure of what we seek. We come as followers, Not understanding the One we follow. We come to worship, Even though we don't know how. Holy One, by your grace, Meet us where we are. Meet us here. Meet us now.
- All: Amen.

Listening to God

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

And becoming aware of it, Jesus said, 'You of little faith, why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not perceive? Do you not remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many baskets you gathered? How could you fail to perceive that I was not speaking about bread? Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees!' Then they understood that he had not told them to beware of the yeast of bread, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' *Matthew 16:8-16*

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 81

Sing out with joy to God our strength, to Jacob's God who said, if now you open wide your mouth, you will be truly fed.

But yet my people would not hear, and Israel disobeyed, and so at last I gave them up, to go their stubborn way.

If only you would hear my voice and walk obediently, then I would quickly turn my hand against your enemy.

Those who hate me would cringe to hear their everlasting doom, but you would eat the finest wheat and honey from the comb.

> (please stand as you are able) Black

Gospel Acclamation #711

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

(please remain standing)

- Gospeller: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(please be seated)

Holman

Homily

Musical Interlude

Thee We Adore

Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour thee, Who in thy sacrament dost deign to be, Both flesh and spirit at thy Presence fail, Yet here thy Presence we devoutly hail.

O blest memorial of our dying Lord, Who living bread to us doth here afford. O may our souls forever feed on thee, And thou, O Christ for ever precious be.

Fountain of goodness, Jesu, Lord and God. Cleanse us unclean with thy most precious blood. Increase our faith and love that we may know the hope and peace that from your presence flow.

O Christ, who now beneath a veil we see, May what we thirst for soon our portion be. To gaze on thee unveiled and see thy face. The vision of thy glory and thy grace.

The Apostles' Creed

(please stand as you are able)

Presider:Come, Holy Spirit of God,All:and search our hearts with the light of Christ.

Presider: Hear, O Israel,

All: the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader:	Holy God, our Creator and Sustainer, God who is ahead of us, beside us, behind us, among us: we come to you again, and again we ask:
All:	Through the numbness and the fear, lead us.
Leader: All:	To our tambourines and our dancing, lead us.
Leader: All:	Through our weeping and our stumbling, lead us.
Leader: All:	To our vineyards and our gardens, lead us.

(silent and spoken prayers of longing)

Leader: All:	Through our longing and our wandering, lead us.
Leader: All:	From the dreams we should not dream, lead us.
Leader:	To a place we call home,
All:	lead us.
Leader:	Beside the blind and the lame,
All:	lead us.

(silent and spoken prayers of hope)

Leader:	To the grain and the wine,
All:	lead us.
Leader: All:	With the vulnerable and the birthing, lead us.

Leader:	To joy, hope, and love,
All:	lead us.
Leader:	To the cross,
All:	lead us.
Leader:	To the empty tomb,
All:	lead us.
Leader: All:	To the Kingdom coming, lead us.

(silent and spoken prayers)

Leader: Holy God, you promise us grace in the wilderness. For you have loved us with an everlasting love, and have been faithful to us with an everlasting faithfulness. You bring us together, and not one of us is forgotten, not yesterday, not today, and not tomorrow. And so we say:

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Confession and Absolution

(please continue to stand, kneel, or sit as you are able)

Presider: Together, let us confess our sins.

All:Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

- Presider: The Lord enrich you with grace, and nourish you with blessing; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve you from your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.
- All: Amen.

The Peace

(please stand as you are able)

Presider:The peace of the Lord be always with you!All:And also with you.

The congregation is invited to remain standing for the offertory.

Sharing What We Have

Presider: We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.
In the upside down world of the gospel,
we measure our wealth not by what we have,
but what we can give away.
Let us give away generously, in this offering,
To bless your church, your people, your creation. Amen.

We give as an expression of gratitude for all that God has done for us and because God has designed us to be givers. Instructions for offering a donation can be found on our website (or you can scan the QR Code to the right to give securely via Canada Helps); we are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.

Offertory Hymn #505 v.1-4

Be Thou My Vision

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



Slane

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, O bright heaven's Sun Heart of my own heart, whatever befall Still be my vision, O ruler of all

Prayer over the Gifts

- Presider: Merciful God, receive all we offer you this day. Give us grace to love one another that your love may be made perfect in us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- All: Amen.

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

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



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.

Babin

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: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.Presider:The gifts of God, for the people of God.All:Thanks be to God.

(please be seated)

Darke in E

Greene

O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world have mercy upon us, grant us peace.

Please follow the directions given by the sidespeople as you come forward for communion. If you do not wish to receive communion, please feel free to come forward and fold your hands over your chest to indicate your desire for a blessing.

Communion Motet

Agnus Dei

Thou Visitest the Earth

Thou visitest the earth and blessed it and crownest the year with thy goodness.

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Almighty God, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May your holy food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Closing Prayer

All: O God, in Christ you give us hope for a new heaven and a new earth. Grant us wisdom to interpret the signs of our times, courage to stand in the time of trial, and faith to witness to your truth and love.

Blessing

- Presider: May the God who shakes heaven and earth, whom death could not contain, who lives to disturb and heal us, bless you with power to go forth and proclaim the Gospel. And may God Almighty keep you and strengthen you all your days.
- All: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

Deacon: Go now, turning grudges into grace. Turn fractures into forgiveness. Turn hardness into hearts broken open by love. And Go in Peace to love and serve the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn #575

Let Streams of Living Justice

Thaxted

Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth. Give freedom's light to captives; let all the poor have worth. The hungry's hands are pleading; the workers claim their rights, The mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight. Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power. Abolish ancient vengeance. Proclaim your people's hour.

For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end.For love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.Weave our varied gifts together: knit our lives as they are spun.On your loom of life enroll us till the thread of life is run.O great Weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one.Dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.

Your city's built for music: we are the stones you seek. Your harmony is language. We are the words you speak. Our faith we find in service, our hope in other's dreams. Our love in hand of neighbour. Our homeland brightly gleams. Inscribe our hearts with justice, your way – the path untried: Your truth – the heart of stranger, your life – the Crucified.

Postlude Toccata

Mushel

Presider: The Reverend Robert Gorham

Preachers: The Reverend Cathy Gibbs & The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Gospeller: The Reverend Ali McIntosh

> Organist: Dermot Muir

Warden on Duty: Nick Strube

Sidesperson: Rebecca Wells-Jopling

Livestream Production Manager: Christian Crawford

— Announcements -

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mosaic

meditative prayer thoughtful reading intentional community

7pm on Zoom second Wednesday of every month, starting September 14 led by Rev. Ali and Rev. Cathy





o2 Christ Church Deer Park New Date

SEPTEMBER 17, 2022 10AM-2PM RUMMARESALE **BBQ & BAKE SALE** on the lawn The Rummage team would like to remind everyone that records, CDs and audio cassettes will still be accepted - drop off in the Atrium or contact Gregory Lowe.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Rummage Team requests help from members of our congregation for about a 4-hour commitment of time and energy. We have all sorts of interesting and fun jobs that can tailor to anyone's skill and energy level! Please contact Jayne if you are available: 416-489-2400.

The results are in Christ Church chose an OAK tree!

It was a close vote - thank you to everyone who voted and donated! We raised \$5,460.

An oak tree is extremely valuable for many species of insects and other wildlife. By planting an oak tree, we're basically planting a tree that will

become a heritage tree of the future. π^{A}



Some of the insect species that have a special relationship with oaks: larval host for banded hairstreak, southern hairstreak, white-m hairstreak, striped hairstreak, coral hairstreak, Edwards' hairstreak, sleepy duskywing, Horace's duskywing, Juvenal's duskywing and white admiral/red-spotted purpose butterflies, and ilia underwing, curve-lined looper, eclipsed oak dagger, polyphemus, waved sphnix, American dunbar, yellow-based tussock, mottled euchlaena, variable oakleaf caterpillar, cecropia, Georgian prominent, confused meganola, mottled prominent, oak beauty, red-lined panopoda, common oak, common tan wave, figure-eight sallow, morning glory prominent, unicorn caterpillar, white-headed prominent, acorn and hundreds more.



Truth and Reconciliation Working Group

Our land acknowledgment says that this land was most recently that of the Mississaugas of the Credit. As previously mentioned, the Mississaugas are an Anishinabek Nation. Mississauga peoples decided to permanently settle in southern Ontario in about 1695. One group established themselves in the valley of the Otonabee or Trent River, along Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence up to Brockville. A second group established themselves to the west, in an area between Toronto and Lake Erie. This group was the ancestors of the Mississaugas of the Credit.



The British colonial government and the Mississaugas entered into a number of treaties or 'land surrenders' in 1784, and between 1787 and 1805. This included the 'Toronto Purchase' of 1787 (numbered Treaty 13), a treaty covering the territory between Lake Ontario and Lake Simcoe. The Mississaugas saw their relationship to the land in spiritual terms, and did not think the land could be 'sold', but the British saw land as a commodity and thought they were purchasing land, or rights to land. The Mississaugas of the Credit later launched a land claim against the Canadian government that was eventually resolved in 2010 with a large monetary settlement but no return of land. The current Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation is located on the Six Nations of the Grand River reserve – the only separate subsection within a bigger reserve in Canada. The provincial government was not able to negotiate a reserve for the Mississaugas of the Credit and in the end they were offered land by the Six Nations of the Grand River themselves.



"...the Earth is in crisis. Climate change is threatening lives and livelihoods on this planet. We cannot pretend any longer that extracting and burning new fossil fuel resources is a solution to anything... there can be no new gas projects if we are to have a hope at limiting global warming. For the sake of our planet and ourselves, we must find new ways to solve today's energy problems." [Mik'maq nation water protector Ducie Howe, *The Narwhal*, 11 Aug. 2022]

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (*ho-den-oh-shownee*), and Anishinabek (*ah-nish-nahbek*) 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

Saturday, September 3

8:00am Community Breakfast

Sunday, September 4

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP) In person

9:15 am Contemporary Service In person

> 10:30 am Holy Eucharist In person & Livestreamed



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