

Christ Church Deer Park

July 30, 2023
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist
at 10:30 am



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.



Hello! Whether this is your first time through our doors or your one thousandth, we are glad you are here! At our church you are welcome to participate as much or as little as you are comfortable doing.

So, what is our community like? Well, we are a church community from different generations and different walks of life. We are here because we want to follow Jesus and live in community with one another and our neighbours in this little corner of Toronto. We care deeply about feeding the hungry and welcoming refugees; we affirm that all people, including our LGBTQ2SI+ siblings, are made in the image of God and should be included in all the practices of our life of faith; and, no matter where we are on our spiritual journeys, we strive to lament together, rejoice together, and hold each other up on this journey of faith and life.

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

Prelude

Welcome & Gathering

Opening Hymn #525

(please stand)

God Is Our Fortress and Our Rock

Ein' Feste

God is our fortress and our rock, our mighty help in danger;
he shields us from the battle's shock and thwarts the devil's anger:
for still the prince of night prolongs his evil fight;
he uses every skill to work his wicked will --
no earthly force is like him.

Our hope is fixed on Christ alone, the Man of God's own choosing;
without him nothing can be won and fighting must be losing:
so let the powers accursed come on and do their worst;
the Son of God shall ride to battle at our side,
and he shall have the victory.

The Word of God will not be slow while demon hordes surround us,
though evil strike its cruellest blow and death and hell confound us:
for even if distress should take all we possess,
and those who mean us ill should ravage, wreck, or kill,
God's kingdom is immortal!

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Gloria

Senchur

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Choir: 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.

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Choir: 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.

All: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Let us pray.

God of eternal wisdom, you alone impart the gift of discernment: grant us understanding hearts, so that we may choose wisely between the treasures of your promised reign and this world's counterfeits; through Jesus Christ, the pearl of true value.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

Listening to God

(please be seated)

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those

whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:26-39

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105

Ave Virgo Virginum

Praise the Lord, the day is won!
Glory, hallelujah!
God for us great things has done.
Sing, shout hallelujah!
Now let all the earth proclaim
resurrection wonder;
in God's all-enduring name,
death is cast asunder!

Loosed from chains by bondage cast;
glory, hallelujah!
God has freed our souls at last.
Sing, shout hallelujah!
Slaves held captive for so long,
scarred by sin and sadness,
lift anew their victory song,
filled with joy and gladness!

As God's Spirit moved the sea;
glory, hallelujah!
set our hearts at liberty.
Sing, shout hallelujah!

In our darkest, dreadful day,
crushed by grief and mourning;
God will roll the stone away,
radiant love adorning.

God's great covenant is sealed!
Glory, hallelujah!
Our salvation is revealed.
Sing, shout hallelujah!
Plagues no more confound the flock,
flames nor flood assail us;
sure as water from the rock,
God will never fail us!

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 Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

Musical Interlude

The Apostles' Creed

(please stand as you are able)

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.

Prayers of the People

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

Leader: For all the blessings of this life,
we give thanks to you, Creator God.
For families, friends, colleagues, neighbors, and strangers,
who nurture us, that the love of God may grow within.
That your love, your Word, like a seed,
may grow to produce in us, good fruit.

All: May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For the leaders of all nations and cities,
that they may lead with strong hearts and gentle hands and generous spirits,
with compassion and mercy, with wisdom and grace.
May they reflect your will guiding all their actions and decisions.

All: May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For those who serve in harms way,
those who live in dangerous places,
those who live in areas of war and strife,
those who live in fear,
those who worry about employment, bills, food,
and struggle just to find dignity in life.
May your grace bring peace and safety to all people, one to another.

All: May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For those who suffer from any illness or disease—
of mind, body, or spirit.
Restore these, and all those we carry in our hearts, to fullness of health—
health as only you, O God, can bring.
May your mercy shower each of us with healing mercy and love.

All: May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong.

For those who are dying, and for those who have died.
Send forth your comforting love.
Give solace to those who mourn.
Console those who grieve.
May your grace surround us
like a mantle upon our heads,
a shawl upon our shoulders,
a hand, to hold our hand.

All: May your love be like a seed, taking root and growing strong. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

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

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Presider: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Peace

(please stand)

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

All: **And also with you.**

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 by what we can give away.
Let us give away generously, in this offering,
to bless God's church, God's people, and God's creation. Amen.

Sharing What We Have

We give as an expression of gratitude for all that God has done for us
and because God has designed us to be givers.

Ways to Give Financially

- Cash or cheque made out to *Christ Church Deer Park*
- Debit/credit via the mobile credit machine at the back of the church
- E-transfer to donations@christchurchdeerpark.org
- Online via Canada Helps (scan the QR code to the right to be brought to the website)
- Through automatic monthly PAR or credit donations
please contact bookkeeper@christchurchdeerpark.org if you are interested in setting up a monthly offering



We are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.

Offertory Hymn #77

The Son of God Proclaim

Sunderland

The Son of God proclaim,
The Lord of time and space;
The God who bade the light break forth
Now shines in Jesus' face.

Behold his outstretched hands;
Though all was in his power,
He took the towel and basin then,
And serves us in this hour.

He, God's creative Word,
The church's Lord and Head,
Here bids us gather as his friends
And share his wine and bread.

The Lord of life and death
With wondering praise we sing;
We break the bread at his command,
And name him God and King.

We take this cup in hope;
For he, who gladly bore
The shameful cross, is risen again
And reigns for evermore.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name 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

Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he 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 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: These are the gifts of God, for you the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Land of Rest, arr. Proulx

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

All are welcome to receive communion with us

As the sidespeople pass your pew, please line up in the centre aisle.

- **To receive a blessing**, as you reach the priest with the bread, cross your arms over your chest. Return to your seat after receiving the blessing.
 - **To receive the bread**, hold your hands in front of you, palms up.
 - **To receive the wine from the cup**, take the bottom of the cup and the base and guide it to your mouth.
 - **If you prefer to take only the bread**, you may indicate this to the cup bearer by crossing your arms over your chest, or simply walking past them.
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Communion Music #81

(please be seated)

Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted

Les Commandemens

Father, we thank thee
who hast planted
thy holy Name within our hearts.
Knowledge and faith
and life immortal
Jesus thy Son to us imparts.

Thou, Lord, didst make
all for thy pleasure,
didst give us food for all our days,
giving in Christ the Bread eternal;
thine is the power, be thine the praise.

Watch o'er thy Church,
O Lord, in mercy,
save it from evil, guard it still,
perfect it in thy love, unite it,
cleansed and conformed unto thy will.

As grain, once scattered
on the hillsides,
was in this broken bread made one,
so from all lands
thy Church be gathered
into thy Kingdom by thy Son.

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Presider: 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.

Blessing

Presider: And may God our Creator, Jesus our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer, bless you and keep you all of your days.

All: Amen.

Announcements

Closing Hymn #577 v. 1, 3, 4

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your pow'r;
now fulfil your church's story,
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Cure your children's warring madness;
bend our pride to your control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces
in the fight for liberty.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
lest we fail ourselves and thee,
lest we fail ourselves and thee.

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Presider:
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Preacher:
The Venerable Cheryl Palmer

Reader:
Lucia Newsbeny

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Dermot Muir

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Announcements

- 1. RUMMAGE INTAKE:** Our Fall Rummage Lawn Sale is on Saturday, September 16th (10am-2pm). For the sale, we will be accepting donations on every Saturday in August from 11am-2pm at the Atrium Doors.
- 2. TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP:** Between July 1 and September 3, 2023, seventeen Pow Wows are being held in Ontario. These cultural gatherings are an important part of Indigenous identity, and are filled with joy, ceremony and fellowship. The Chippewas of Rama First Nation are holding a Pow Wow on August 26-27, 2023 in Orillia, Ontario. The Chippewas are Ojibwe peoples, part of the Three Fires Confederacy along with the Odawa and Potawatomi Nations. The Chippewas of Rama First Nation are guardians of the Mnjikaning ('Near the Fence') fish weirs located at the Atherley Narrows where Lake Couchiching and Lake Simcoe meet. The weirs are one of the oldest human developments in North America, carbon-dated to have been built around 5,000 years ago, and used since then by the Wendat Nations and others. The site has historically been used as neutral grounds, where First Nations people gathered to enjoy festivities, exchange goods, and share information, ceremony and storytelling. In 1982, the Federal Government officially declared the weirs a National Historic Site.
- 3. CLIMATE ACTION GROUP:** In Genesis 2, God lets Adam give a name to all the living creatures. From this we can reflect that God's intention was for humankind to have a close relationship with the creatures of the earth, a relationship whereby we know the names of the birds and bugs and trees that share our home. God says to God's people, "I have called you by name, and you are mine." (Is. 43:1). Likewise, by asking humans to name the creatures of the earth, God asks us to take the responsibility of caring for them with wisdom and stewardship, as God cares for us.

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

Wednesday, August 2

11:00am Holy Eucharist
In person, followed by lunch

Saturday, August 5

8-9am Community Breakfast

Sunday, August 6

8:00am Holy Eucharist
In person

9:15am Holy Eucharist
& Sunday School
In person

10:30 am Holy Eucharist
In person & Livestreamed



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