

# Christ Church Deer Park

June 25, 2023  
Pride Sunday

**Holy Eucharist**  
at 10:30 am



**PRIDE**



**SUNDAY**

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**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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*Prayer Circle* – Jan D'Angelo, Coordinator

*Small Groups* – The Rev. Cathy Gibbs

*9:15am Coffee Hour* – Zara Arvini, Coordinator

*10:30 Coffee Hour* – Sandra Geddes, Coordinator

*Choir* – Patrick Dewell, Director

*Chancel Guild* – Anne Larkin, Lead

*Flower Guild* – Pat Butler, Coordinator

*Readers & Intercessors* – The Rev. Ali McIntosh

*Welcome Team* – Paul Kingston, Coordinator

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*Property Committee* – Andrew Harding, Chair

*Stewardship Committee* – Stephen Clark

*Refugee Committee* – Julie Scott, Chair

*Truth and Reconciliation* – Melissa Walter, Lead

*Climate Action Group* – Phyllis Creighton, Lead

*Spiritus* – TBD, Editor

*Rummage Re-Imagined* – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead

*Holy + Holly (Christmas Festival)* – Barbara Johnston, Lead

## Prelude

## Welcome & Gathering

## Opening Hymn

*(please stand)*

All the Colours of the Rainbow

*Abbot's Leigh*

All the colours of the rainbow  
live unseen in daily light,  
but their splendours find expression  
when released to human sight;  
so the church reveals most beauty  
where diversity is real:  
breadth of race and class and gender,  
room for doubt and space to heal.

All the body's parts are wanted,  
nor can one despise the rest:  
head and hand must work together,  
as must eye and ear and chest;  
so the church needs all its members  
for a range of ministries:  
varied gifts with one great mission,  
"Do these for the least of these."

Teach us, God, our need for others;  
through them help us fully live.  
Wean us from our selfish habits;  
let us listen, learn, forgive.  
May we see your longed-for image  
in each human heart and face,  
and behold how those around us  
can be channels of your grace.

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: God of strength and courage, call us to the risk of faith and service; and give us grace to follow him who gave himself for others, so that in our loving service we may find the life he came to bring; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

## **The Collect for Pride Sunday**

Presider: Let us pray.  
O wildly inclusive God, who loves all the beautiful rainbow of human sexual orientation and gender. You create us in beautiful diversity, redeem life, and stay with us forever. Hear our hopes, Divine Trinity, particularly to make a home in all churches that call themselves the body of God: a home for all Queer siblings in Christ. Help us to stand up against injustice in all its forms, and carry out your mission in our beloved world.

**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 Book of Genesis.

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt. *Genesis 21:8-21*

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn

*(please stand as you are able)*

New Patterns of Loving

*St. Denio*

New patterns of loving make room for new ways,  
creating new families to care for and raise.  
All those who have loved us and helped us to grow  
are families of choice by caring they show.

Our ancestry marks us with visible signs;  
we bear in our bodies genetic designs.

But love, beyond limits of gender or race,  
can fashion new families and new ways embrace.

## 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 said, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." *Matt. 10:24-39*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Gradual Hymn

New Patterns of Loving

*St. Denio*

God bless all the mothers and fathers today;  
help us to raise children to walk in God's way,  
to care for each other as children of God,  
whose love is inclusive, far-reaching, and broad.

## 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: God of love, who knows us as we truly are, made in your image, and beloved by you, may we pray by responding to the words "God of love" with "hear our prayer".

Leader: We pray for people of varying sexualities and gender identities – that they may love and be loved, and that we might create communities where love is nurtured and human dignity restored.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all who are still in the closet, who must hide for fear of reprisal and whose lives are not safe. May they know your love for them remains true even when they are hidden from view.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all who have suffered rejection of family and friends because of their sexuality or gender identity. May they have grace and courage to find new ways forward, and receive the gift of chosen family.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all those whose lives are bound in mutual love, but whose existence has only been recently recognized by the church and government. With gratitude for institutions that move slowly, but do move.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the church – that our leaders may proclaim the Gospel of love and find a way to welcome the many gifts of all people as we work towards the realm of God.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the work of 2SLGBTQIA+ organizations, who provide life-saving services, advocacy, and education, often with minimal support. May they find the strength and ability to continue their vital work.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We repent of the ways in which the church has caused harm towards 2SLGBTQ+ peoples. Help us to hear their voices, and to work with them in proclaiming radical acceptance.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for those who have died, particularly those who are victims of hatred or self-loathing, taught by a church and society which did not love them.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We give thanks for the courage of those who risk public ridicule and hatred, and continue to insist on showing us that God is present wherever there is love.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: We rejoice in a rainbow world, where all people are made in God's image, and we work towards a time and place when all may truly live as children of God.

God of love:

**All: hear our prayer.**



Leader: God, we continue to dream of a world in which your love for all is revealed and made known. May you work within each of us as we build communities of acceptance and love, and so establish your reign on earth. We pray all of this in the name of the one who paved a pathway of unconditional love, of welcoming the outcast, and of celebrating true inclusion: Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**All: 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.

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## 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](mailto: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  
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We are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.

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## Offertory Hymn

God Loves Us In Mysterious Ways

*Dundee*

God loves us in mysterious ways  
beyond all sin and shame,  
rich blessings for our weary days  
as love dares speaks its name.

More light and truth have yet to break  
from God's eternal Word;  
sure-hearted and with hope we take  
new leaps of faith unblurred.

We take a chance on God, and fall  
to higher depths of love;  
in faith and flesh we heed God's call  
to open doors above.

Bind up the wounds of shun and stray  
for prodigals new found  
and set us on our homeward way  
unbullied and unbound.

"Come forth!" from deep, confining tombs  
of gender, class, and race  
engendered here: wide open rooms  
that offer pride of place.

A place where friends are kind and true  
and lives and loves increased;  
till all who come are welcomed to  
the Lamb's own marriage feast.

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Presider: Eternal God, you have made our Saviour Jesus Christ the head of all creation.  
Receive all we offer you this day and renew us in his risen life, in the name of Jesus  
Christ the 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, for the gift of a world full of wonder,  
and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.

**All: Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

Sanctus & Benedictus

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*Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth,  
pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.*

*Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Presider: We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

**All: Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

**All: Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

**All: Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

**All: Glory to you for ever and ever. 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.

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## 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 Hymn

*(please be seated)*

Jesus, You Have Truly Called Us

*Beach Spring*

Jesus, you have truly called us.  
Still today, we hear your voice.  
Lead us onward, lead us upward,  
till all people can rejoice.

*Refrain:*

Meet us in our time of trial,  
fill us with your Spirit's power.  
As we stand before oppression,  
give us courage for this hour.

Jesus, save us from poor choices.  
Hatred, running like a thread  
through the fabric of our history,  
mars our faith and leaves us dead. *Refrain*

Jesus, save us from our weakness,  
from deceit and from despair.  
Move us onto new creation  
in a world that's free and fair. *Refrain*

Many colours paint the rainbow arching over land and sea.  
Many colours form the fabric of our human tapestry.  
God, with joy and hope you made us by a pattern you had planned,  
weaving varied threads together with a skilled and loving hand.

Many people bring their treasures, as those kings who traveled far,  
drawn from all earth's scattered places back to Christ, the morning star.  
All may offer gifts to others and from them receive in turn.  
In the gathering of nations, help us, God, to teach and learn.

Many faces 'round the table wait for Christ, the risen Lord,  
for he comes with love to meet us in the loaf, the cup, the word.  
All are welcomed, none rejected, bound by Christ in unity,  
naming others sisters, brothers in a worldwide family.

Many voices sing God's praises in a language all their own.  
Tongues confused at Babel's tower now are joined around God's throne.  
Free our hearts of hate and discord till our lives in concert blend.  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" be our anthem without end.

**Prayer after Communion**

*(please stand as you are able)*

Presider: Almighty God, guide and protect your people who share in this sacred mystery, and keep us always in your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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: Eternal God, we rejoice in your greatness and power, your gentleness and love, your mercy and justice. Enable us by your Spirit to honour you in our thoughts, and words and actions, and to serve you in every aspect of our lives; and may God our Creator bless you and keep you all of your days, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## Announcements

### Closing Hymn

Sing a New World Into Being

*Nettleton*

Sing a new world into being.  
Sound a bold and hopeful theme.  
Find a tune for silent yearnings.  
Lend your voice and dare to dream:  
dream a church where all who worship  
find their lives and loves belong.  
Sing a new world into being:  
sing as Christ inspires your song!

Sing a new world into being  
where each gender, class, and race  
brings its rainbow gifts and colours  
to God's limitless embrace;  
where the lines that once divided  
form instead the ties that bind.  
Sing a new world into being:  
risk transforming heart and mind!

Sing a new world into being.  
Join the ancient prophets' cry  
for a time of health and plenty  
when all tears have been wiped dry;  
when compassion flows like water,  
pouring balm for all who grieve.  
Sing a new world into being:  
live the promise you believe!

### Dismissal

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

*Please join us after the service for refreshments.*



Presider:  
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Preacher:  
The Venerable Cheryl Palmer

Gospeller:  
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

Intercessor:  
Patrick Dewell

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Winnie Tang

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## — Announcements —

**1. A NOTE FROM PROUD ANGLICANS ABOUT MARCHING IN TODAY'S PARADE:** Our marchers are asked to be on Bloor St between Church and Jarvis at 2:00pm on Sunday 25 June. That's right in front of St Paul's Bloor St. We are group C30, and will set off some time after 2:00. Anglicans should gather near the Proud Anglicans water tents on the steps of St Paul's. Traffic will be a mess - the best bet is subway to Sherbourne station. We also need a few volunteers to staff the water tables - this is a good way to participate if you don't want to be in the parade. Proud Anglicans will have a float in the parade -- a TTC electric bus. People of limited mobility can be in the parade by riding in the bus, from Church St just north of Bloor to Dundas and Church. If you would like to join in the parade, or to help pour water, or to ride the bus, please email [info@proudanglicans.ca](mailto:info@proudanglicans.ca) for more details.

**2. EDITOR WANTED FOR *SPIRITUS*:** As announced at Vestry, after eight years of dedication as editor of our parish newsletter *Spiritus*, sadly, Genevieve Chornenki is putting down her red pen. We are currently looking for someone to take up this important ministry, with overall responsibility for producing the newsletter several times a year, working together with a small editorial team. *Spiritus* publishes opinion pieces, educational notes, book reviews, ministry and committee reports, notices, and other miscellaneous items, without demanding conformity of thought or opinion. All members of the parish are invited to write for it, and many are regular contributors. Typically, there are three regular issues each year published for Lent, Fall and

Advent. Past issues are archived on the website: <https://christchurchdeerpark.org/spiritus-archive/> Anyone interested in this role or in learning more about what's involved, please contact Genevieve by email at: [genevieve.chornenki@bell.net](mailto:genevieve.chornenki@bell.net)

- 3. TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP:** On June 17, the governments of Canada and Ontario and a group of 21 Anishinaabe communities from the north shore of Lake Huron reached a major settlement relating to unpaid treaty annuities. The Robinson-Huron treaty, which these communities had signed in 1850, explicitly promised that in exchange for allowing resource development on their lands, the communities would receive annual payments linked to the revenues of that development. However, despite active mining, lumber, and fishing industries in the area, the last increase in annual payments took place in 1874 – since then, it has stayed at only \$4 per person per year. The court case was initially launched in 2012 and in 2018 the Ontario Superior Court of Justice ruled that the Crown must increase annual payments. The government of Ontario originally intended to appeal to the Supreme Court but eventually agreed to negotiation. Details on how the final settlement of \$10 billion will be disbursed are still to be decided, but the money will go partly to community development projects and partly to individuals.
- 4. CLIMATE ACTION GROUP:** All of us are familiar with helium-filled balloons, the ubiquitous decor at many birthday parties. It may then be surprising to realize that helium is a non-renewable resource. Because it is lighter than air, once helium is released it rises high enough to escape Earth's atmosphere. In its liquid state helium is the coldest element on Earth and is important to many agencies such as NASA (for use in liquid fuel rockets) and fields such as medicine (it is used in MRIs). However, at the current rate of usage, it is expected that we will run out of helium (estimates range from 25 to 200 years). It is a reminder to all of us to be prudent and wise in our use of natural resources - and, perhaps for birthday parties this summer, a motivation to find an alternative to helium-filled balloons. [Source: NBC News online "The World is Running out of Helium: Here is Why Doctors are Concerned."]
- 5. MEMORIAL FLOWERS:** If you would like to dedicate flowers on a Sunday in memory of a loved one, please contact Pat Butler, our Flower Guild organizer ([pat.butler@bell.net](mailto:pat.butler@bell.net) or 416-573-1415).
- 6. JAZZ VESPERS – TODAY at 4:30pm!** As usual, we celebrate the start of summer with a bang! Brian Barlow's Big Band plays music from Ellington's Sacred Concerts. We'll have trumpets, trombones, saxophones drums, piano, French horn, bass, AND will be joined by special guest vocalist Heather Bambrick from Jazz.FM! All are welcome!
- 7. CHURCHES-ON-THE-HILL FOODBANK:** The food of the month for June is couscous and quinoa. The foodbank is also finding it a challenge to obtain baby formula, there are limits on how

much can be purchased at any one time. The brands we are looking for are Kirkland Omega, stage 1 with iron, yellow label (Costco). If you are at a Loblaws affiliate, PC Infant Formula with Iron, Stage One or Parents Choice Iron Fortified, Stage One at Walmart. Enfamil and Simlac are also good substitutes and can be found at most stores. Ensure it is Iron fortified/ with Iron and Stage One, Step One. If you purchase it, the foodbank will either give you a tax receipt or reimburse you the cost. You can drop it off at the foodbank on Tuesday or Thursday morning from 9-12noon with your contact info (name, phone number, email, address) OR let Anne Larkin know [outreach@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:outreach@christchurchdeerpark.org). Thank you for your support.

**8. PROVIDE A RIDE:** We are putting out another call for drivers to provide rides to church for local seniors and those who have difficulty getting around. This is a very important ministry, so if you have a car, please sign up! To participate in this ministry or for more details, contact Carl, the Community Care Team Lead, at [communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:communitycare@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

**Wednesday, June 28**

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

**Saturday, July 1**

11:30am-1:00pm Community Breakfast BBQ

**Sunday, July 2**

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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