

Christ Church Deer Park

August 6, 2023
The Transfiguration of the Lord

Holy Eucharist
at 10:30 am



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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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Spiritus – Emily Chatten, Melissa Walter &

Rummage Re-Imagined – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead

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

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

Prelude

Welcome & Gathering

Opening Hymn

(please stand)

O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair

Wareham

O wondrous sight, O vision fair
of glory that the church shall share,
which Christ upon the mountain shows,
where brighter than the sun he glows!

With shining face and bright array,
Christ deigns to manifest that day
what glory shall be theirs above
who joy in God with perfect love.

And faithful hearts are raised on high
by this great vision's mystery;
for which in joyful strains we raise
the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

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

Darwall

Glory to God on high,
and peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
our heavenly King.
We give you praise,
almighty God and Father blessed
in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb,
who saves the world from sin,
have mercy Lord.
Beside the Father's hand enthroned,
now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord,
you only are most high.
You only are the holy one,
Lord Jesus Christ.
And now you reign
with Father and with Spirit one
in glorious light.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transfigure us into his likeness, so that, as a people changed and changing, we may illumine the world with your compassion. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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 Second Letter of Peter.

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.
2 Peter 1:16-19

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

All: Thanks be to God.

(please stand as you are able)

Ellacombe

Psalm 99

The Lord is king, enthroned in might
on wings of cherubim;
he reigns in holiness and light,
bow down to worship him!
Beyond all majesty and praise
his holy name confess;
the king of everlasting days,
who rules in righteousness.

Of old to priests and prophets known
with trembling, fear and awe,
he gave his people, set in stone,
his statutes and his law.
By those who called upon his name
the voice of God was heard,
his presence shown in cloud and flame
when they obeyed his word.

O magnify the God of grace
who hears his people's cry,
and come with songs before his face,
exalt his name on high!
To see at last, by grace restored
from sin and all its stains,
the holy mountain of the Lord
where God in glory reigns.

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 took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. *Luke 9:28-36*

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)

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

King Of The Ages

Getty, Townend

Chorus:

King of the ages, Almighty God,
Perfect love, ever just and true.
Who will not fear you and bring you praise?
All the nations will come to you.

Your ways of love have won my heart,
And brought me joy unending.
Your saving power at work in me,
Bringing peace and the hope of glory. *Chorus*

Your arms of love are reaching out
To every soul that seeks you;

Your light will shine in all the earth,
Bringing grace and a great salvation. *Chorus*

The day will come when you appear,
And every eye shall see you.
Then we shall rise with hearts ablaze,
With a song we will sing forever. *Chorus*

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Holy God, receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face 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.

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

Blessed is he who comes,
who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna,
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

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us 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.

Communion Hymn #486

(please be seated)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heav'n to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above;
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee,
changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
May we who are partakers of his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. We ask this in his name.

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 #380 v. 1, 2, 6

O Worship the King

Hanover

O worship the King, all glorious above;
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
his chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
while angels delight to hymn thee above,
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Presider:
The Reverend Cathy Gibbs

Preacher:
The Reverend Ali McIntosh

Reader:
Nigel Johnson

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Su Laine Varkey

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Patrick Dewell

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Sonya Harper Nyby, Kelsey Taylor
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Lito Pena

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Rikk Scapillato

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. SPIRITUS UPDATE:** Following a period of search, *Spiritus* will now go forward with a team of editors. Your new *Spiritus* Editors are: Emily Chatten, Melissa Walter and Supipi Weerasooriya. We are currently soliciting content for our Fall Edition, with a deadline of August 14. Please contact Emily regarding your input: elwchatt@gmail.com
- 3. COMMUNITY BREAKFAST – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** We are looking for some more volunteer support for our Community Breakfast program, which runs three out of the four Saturdays a month from 7am-10am. If you are interested or know anyone who might be, please contact Anne at outreach@christchurchdeerpark.org
- 4. 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.
- 5. CLIMATE ACTION GROUP:** Join the 30 by 30 x 30 campaign -- a Canadian movement to protect 30 percent of Canada's land and ocean by 2030. We need government action to fight against biodiversity loss and climate change. Make people aware of this campaign on social media platforms and enlist their support. Urge your local government to take action. [Source: Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, <https://cpaws.org/canadas-conservation-target-of-30-protection-by-2030-within-reach-cpaws-report/> and Nature Canada, <https://naturecanada.ca/discover-nature/canadas-different-environments/protected-areas-explained/>]

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 9

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

Saturday, August 12

No Community Breakfast
11am-2pm Rummage Intake
Atrium Entrance

Sunday, August 13

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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