# Christ Church Deer Park

May 26, 2024
Trinity Sunday
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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**Prelude** Clavierübung III: Kyrie: Gott Vater in Ewigkeit, BWV 672,

Christe, aller Welt Trost BWV 673 and

Kyrie: Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 674 J.S. Bach

## Welcome & Gathering

(please note all hymn numbers are from Common Praise, the blue hymnal)

Opening Hymn #1

(please stand as you are able)

Holy, Holy NICAEA

Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, Lord God almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

Text: R. Heber; Tune: J.B. Dykes

**Gathering** (please remain standing)

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 in excelsis Deo.

Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.

Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam

tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater

omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe

deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.

Tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe.

Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris.

Amen.

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our

prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you

alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus

Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory

of God the Father.

Amen.

# The Collect of the Day

Presider: Enfolding God, Trinity of love, you are our source, our goal, our life: may we be born

again in you, no more to live alone and unconnected, but, sharing the Spirit's

breath, be carried to your heart; through Jesus Christ, who lifts us up.

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 - First Reading

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with

smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Isaiah 6:1-8

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

All: Thanks be to God.

**Psalm** 29 G. Black

All:



Cantor: Ascribe to the Holy One, you gods:

ascribe to the Holy One glory and strength. Ascribe to God all glory, bless God's name; worship God in the beauty of holiness. *Refrain* 

Cantor: The voice of the Holy One is upon the waters;

the God of glory thunders; God is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of God is a powerful voice;

the voice of God is a voice of splendour. Refrain

Cantor: The voice of the Holy One breaks the cedar trees;

God breaks the cedars of Lebanon. God makes Lebanon skip like a calf.

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. Refrain

Cantor: The voice of the Holy One splits the flames of fire;

the voice of God shakes the wilderness; God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Holy One makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the Holy One all are crying, "Glory!" Refrain

Cantor: God sits enthroned above the flood;

the Holy One sits enthroned, reigning for evermore.

The Holy One shall give strength to all people; God shall give the people the blessing of peace. *Refrain* 

#### **Listening to God - Second Reading**

Reader: A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

\*\*Romans 8:12-17\*

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #334 v. 1-2

(please stand as you are able)

**GROSSER GOTT** 

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you. All on earth your sceptre claim; all in heaven above adore you. Infinite your vast domain;

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

everlasting is your reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heavens with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord."

Text: Te Deum; para. I. Franz; Music: Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1774

# 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 John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." John 3:1-17

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Homily** (please be seated)

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name You,
though in essence only one;
undivided God, we claim You,
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.

# Some questions:

- 1. How do you relate to the Trinity?
- 2. To whom do you relate closest in the Trinity?
- 3. Who in the Trinity is a little distant or hard to get to know?

- 4. How do you relate to each one and which one do you maybe have a little difficulty with?
- 5. How do your personal relationships reflect the relationships of the Triune God?

#### 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 remain standing)

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**

Priest: Friends, 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

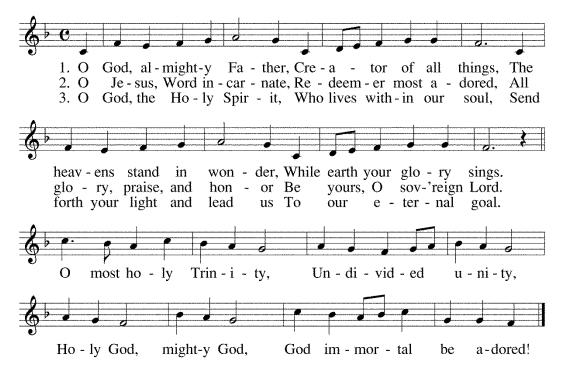
- Through automatic monthly credit card or pre-authorized debit donations
  please contact bookkeeper@christchurchdeerpark.org if you are interested in setting up a monthly offering
- · Cash or cheque made out to Christ Church Deer Park
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We are thankful for all your gifts as they sustain the life and work of this parish.

### **Offertory Hymn**

O God, Almighty Father

**GOTT VATER SEI GEPRIESEN** 



Text: Gott Vater sei gepriesen; anon; tr. by Irvin Udulutsch, OFM Cap., fl. 1959, alt. © 1959, The Liturgical Press Tune: GOTT VATER SEI GEPRIESEN, 7 6 7 6 with refrain; Limburg Gesangbuch,1838; harm. by Healey Willan, 1880-1968

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Presider: Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and

responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. We ask this in the name

of Jesus Christ the 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 up to the Lord.

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

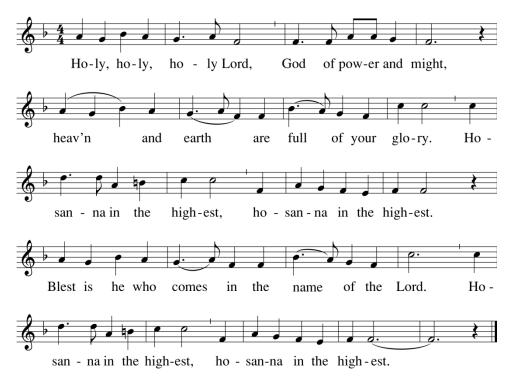
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider:

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise, because, in the mystery you disclose to us, you reveal your glory as the glory of your Son and the Holy Spirit: three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. Therefore with all the company of heaven we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

#### Sanctus & Benedictus #732

R. Proulx



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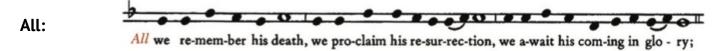
Presider:

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,



Presider: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

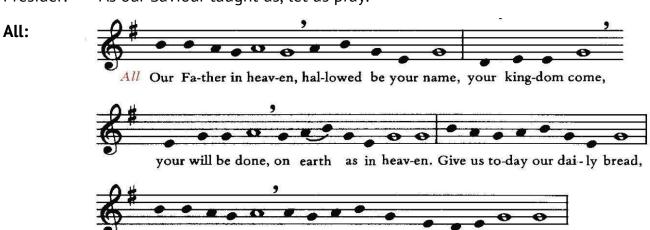
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.



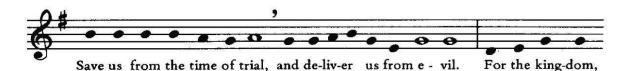
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The Lord's Prayer M. Robinson II

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



For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst



the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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## 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.

# 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.

(please be seated)

#### **Agnus Dei** Messe Brève No. 7 in C

C. Gounod

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

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

#### **Communion Motet**

As Truly as God is Our Father

W. Mathias

As truly as God is our Father, So just as truly is God our Mother.

In our Father, God Almighty, We have our being; In our merciful Mother We are re-made and restored.

Our fragmented lives are knit together; And by giving and yielding ourselves Through grace, to the holy spirit We are made whole.

It is I, the strength and goodness of fatherhood. It is I, the wisdom of motherhood. It is I, the light and grace of holy love. It is I, the Trinity, it is I, the unity.

I am the sovereign goodness in all things. It is I who teach you to love. It is I who teach you to desire. It is I who am the reward of all true desiring.

All shall be well,
And all shall be well,
And all manner of thing shall be well.
Amen.

Julian of Norwich (14th century)

# **Prayer after Communion**

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist worship you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **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. Amen.

**Announcements** 

**Closing Hymn** #436 v. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6

I Bind Unto Myself Today

ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three.

I bind this day to me for ever, by power of faith, Christ's incarnation, his baptism in the Jordan river, his death on cross for my salvation. His bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding up the heavenly way, his coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.

I bind unto myself today the virtues of the starlit heaven, the glorious sun's life-giving ray, the whiteness of the moon at even, the flashing of the lightning free, the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks, the stable earth, the deep salt sea, around the old eternal rocks. I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his might to stay, his ear to hearken to my need, the wisdom of my God to teach, his hand to guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to give me speech, his heavenly host to be my quard.

I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three. of whom all nature hath creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word. Praise to the Lord of my salvation, salvation is of Christ the Lord.

Text: Attributed to St. Patrick; tr. C.F. Alexander; Music: Irish traditional; arr. C.V. Stanford

**Dismissal** (please stand as you are able)

Presider: Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Postlude Trumpet Tune in D major D. Johnson

Please join us after the service for refreshments!

Prayer of the Christ Church Deer Park Parish Selection Committee

Lord God, a great task lies before us, and great trust has been placed in us. We ask that we all may be attuned to the voice of hope as we search out the next person of faith, love, wisdom, imagination, devotion and compassion to lead Christ Church Deer Park into the challenging and exciting times ahead.

This prayer is said at the beginning of every meeting. We invite you to join us in it whenever you remember the ongoing search.

# Assisting with the Liturgy

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#### ----ANNOUNCEMENTS----

- 1. A MESSAGE FROM STEPHEN DRAKEFORD, OUR INTERIM PRIEST-IN-CHARGE: So, this is a funny thing. I am away for the next three Sundays! (I know! What is going on?!) When we negotiated my contract I pointed out that I would be in England from May 22nd-June 9th. But when all was said and done the Bishop was keen to appoint me for May 1st for a seamless follow-through after Cheryl's retirement. And of course, you have your very capable priests, Ali and Cathy. You'll be fine. In the meantime, after just 3 weeks here, I love this place and I think the people of CCDP are great. I think we're a great match. I'm looking forward to my 10-day walk through the Cotswolds and visiting my family in the UK. And, I know now I will be glad to come home to you. Every blessing, Stephen D+
- **2. JAZZ VESPERS:** Stay in the neighbourhood and join us TODAY at 4:30pm for Jazz Vespers! We celebrate 25<sup>th</sup> years of this service at CCDP, with The Rev. Tim Elliott and jazz vocalist Heather Bambrick joining the Brian Barlow Big Band for a festive afternoon!
- **3. DRIVERS FOR THE 10:30AM SERVICE:** Do you have a car? Would you like to help some of our senior parishioners get to church? We are looking for a few more drivers to help bring our older members to church for the 10:30am service. Please email Ann Atkins at communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org

- 4. THE PARISH SELECTION COMMITTEE REQUESTS YOUR CONTRIBUTION: The members of the PSC held very successful focus groups on May 5 after each of the morning services. Over 60 people attended and gave generously of their time and ideas. If you were unable to attend one of these groups but would like to contribute your ideas to the Parish Profile, we are setting up two options. One is to send your ideas to paulineann1941@gmail.com; these will be held in confidence (no names appear in the Profile). The other option is for you to write up your comments and slip them anonymously into the box which has been placed in the Bell-Tower entrance. Most of the Profile describes CCDP as it now is, so that a future rector can know what to expect; a small part focuses on our understanding of our challenges and our dreams for the future. To that end, we suggest that you think about the following questions: 1. What do you love about CCDP? 2. What are its opportunities and challenges? 3. What is its urgent mission? And, of course, if you want to add something that falls outside those three areas, please feel free to do so. We would much appreciate hearing from you on or before 26 May, the last Sunday in May.
- 5. POTLUCK SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday July 17th we will have our 1st ever (or definitely in the past 21 years), ALL gender Congregation Potluck picnic. 6 pm (ish) on the lawn. Please bring your own plate (you may want a separate dish for dessert), your glass, and your cutlery, your napkins. NOTE: we will have access to the restrooms, but no access to the kitchen. Bring something summery to share (a salad, casserole, cookies, lemonade, wine, cold cider ...) or if you have a busy day, please just pop by, there will be plenty to share with you.
- 6. SUMMER REFRESHMENTS SIGN UP TO HELP! Summer is coming (but no promises on exactly when), so Cold-Drinks-on-the-Lawn after the 10:30 service is as well, starting June 30. I will be away that weekend and all the following weekends well into August, so if you'd like refreshments after church this summer, please sign up now you can always switch with someone later if something comes up. I'll email you the schedule if you leave your contact info. And speaking of signing up, there are still plenty of Sundays not yet spoken for in May and June. Sign-up sheets are with the tea and coffee in Elliott Hall. ~Sandra
- 7. THE PARTY IS OVER!! BACK TO WORK!! "RETURN TO THE ESSENTIALS": Using Archbishop Rowan Williams's book, Being Christian, we will explore different ways of looking at baptism, the Bible, the Eucharist, prayer, and how these things influence our daily lives. Bring your lunch.

Dates: May 26, June 2, 9, 16 Time: 11:45am-1:00pm

Place: CCDP in the Arthur Smith Room

Registration: email to cgibbs@christchurchdeerpark.org

Books: First 15 available from Cathy for \$15/each

- **8. HOUSING FOR A REFUGEE FAMILY:** A refugee family (mother, young son and toddler daughter) are looking for housing, starting July 1<sup>st</sup> (though June 1<sup>st</sup> or August 1<sup>st</sup> would also work). Maximum \$1,800/month; 1-bedroom. CCDP has been providing administrative assistance to the private group who sponsored the family since their arrival in Canada in December 2023. If you have any leads on an apartment or yourself are looking for a renter for a property, please reach out to Linda Hall at <a href="mailto:lindahall.toronto@gmail.com">lindahall.toronto@gmail.com</a>.
- 9. RUMMAGE ON THE LAWN! Our Fall Sale will be on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am-2pm. We'll have a BBQ, Bake Sale, Music in the Sanctuary, along with Records, Books, and Household items for sale. We will be doing intake of gently used items on the Saturdays of August 10, 17, 24, 31 & September 7 from 11am-1pm at the Atrium doors. And, as always, we are looking for people to help put this sale on! Speak to Jayne if you're interested in helping with intake, organizing, pricing, working the sale, or helping with the BBQ. Also, start stocking your freezer now with baked goods to donate to our Bake Sale!
- **10. PASTORAL CALLS:** An integral part of Christian community is to support one another through times of joy and celebration and also times of grief and confusion. If you or someone you know may benefit from a call or visit from one of our clergy, please reach out to our congregational care team by email at <a href="mailto:communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org">communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org</a>.
- 11. TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP: On April 14th, the BC government and the Council of the Haida Nation signed an agreement officially recognizing Haida Gwaii's Aboriginal title. Haida Gwaii, previously known as the Queen Charlotte Islands, is an archipelago of more than 150 islands about 90 kilometres off BC's North Coast and is the traditional territory of the Haida Nation. The Haida people had never signed a treaty covering their lands, and had begun legal action to obtain recognition of their Aboriginal title decades earlier. After signing the agreement, the BC government introduced a bill to enshrine this agreement into law, the first such piece of legislation to recognize Aboriginal title in Canadian history.
- 12. CLIMATE ACTION GROUP: The NOAA National Weather Service is predicting above-normal hurricane activity in the Atlantic basin this year. This is due to a confluence of factors, including near-record warm ocean temperatures in the Atlantic Ocean and the development of La Nina conditions in the Pacific. With human-caused climate change warming our oceans globally and melting ice on land, sea levels are also rising, which increases the risk of storm surges to coastal communities. [Source: <a href="https://www.noaa.gov">www.noaa.gov</a>, May 23, 2024]
- **13. MEMORIAL FLOWERS:** To beautify our church's services, we invite donations of flowers to honour loved ones. There is a committee standing by to purchase and arrange the flowers on the date of your choice. Please contact Pat Butler, Memorial Flowers Coordinator, to select the date and name the person(s) you are remembering. Reach Pat at <a href="mailto:pat.butler@bell.net">pat.butler@bell.net</a> or 416-573-1415. You will receive a tax receipt and a photo of the arrangement.

#### 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, May 29 11:00am Holy Eucharist In person

**Saturday, June 1** 8-9am Community Breakfast

Sunday, June 2 8:00am Holy Eucharist (BCP) In person

9:15am Contemporary Worship In person

10:30am Holy Eucharist (BAS) In person & Livestreamed



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