

# Christ Church Deer Park

June 16, 2024  
The Third 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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*Community Breakfast* – Carl Wehniainen, Lead

*Congregational Care Team* – Ann Atkins, Lead

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*Small Groups* – The Rev. Cathy Gibbs

*Coffee Hour* – Sandra Geddes, Coordinator

*Chancel Guild* – Elsa Jones, Lead

*Readers & Intercessors* – The Rev. Ali McIntosh

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*Stewardship Committee* – Stephen Clark

*Truth and Reconciliation* – Melissa Walter, Lead

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

*Spiritus* – Emily Chatten, Melissa Walter &

Supipi Weerasooriya, Editorial Team

**Prelude** "The Peace May be Exchanged" from *Rubrics*

D. Locklair

**Welcome & Gathering**

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

**Opening Hymn #529 v. 1, 2, 4, 5**

*(please stand as you are able)*

God, My Hope on You is Founded

MICHAEL

God, my hope on you is founded;  
You my faith and trust renew:  
Through all change and chance you guide me,  
Only good and only true.  
God unknown, you alone  
Call my heart to be your own.

Human pride and earthly glory,  
Sword and crown, betray our trust;  
Though with care and toil we build them,  
Tower and temple fall to dust.  
But your power, hour by hour,  
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness lasts forever,  
Deepest wisdom, passing thought:  
Splendour, light, and life attending,  
Beauty springing out of naught.  
Evermore from God's store  
Newborn worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal  
Sacrifice of praise be done,  
High above all praises praising  
For the gift of Christ the Son.  
Christ, you call one and all;  
Those who follow shall not fall.

Text: J. Neander; tr. R. S. Bridges, alt.; Music: H. Howells

## 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.

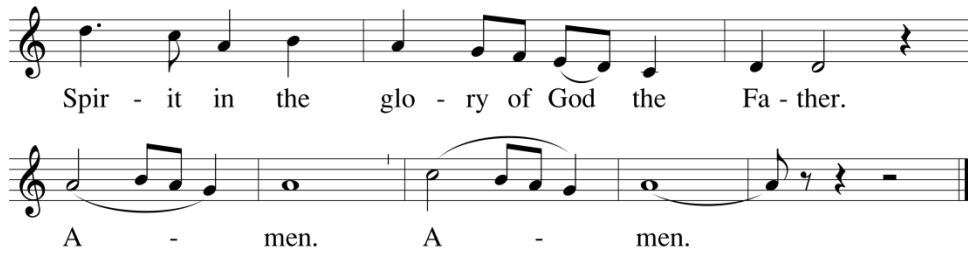
All: **And also with you.**

## Gloria

A Community Mass

R. Proulx

Glo - ry to God in the  
high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa-ther, We wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord, God,  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have  
mer - cy on us; You are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our pray'r, re -  
ceive, re - ceive our pray'r.  
For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a - lone are the  
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly



Music: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx, © 1971, 1977, GIA Publications, Inc.

## The Collect of the Day

Presider: Mighty God, to you belong the mysteries of the universe. You transform shepherds into kings, the smallest seeds into magnificent trees, and hardened hearts into loving one. May your life-giving Spirit re-create us in your image and shape us into your purposes, through Jesus Christ.

**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 First Book of Samuel.

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before

Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.


*1 Samuel 15:34-16:13*

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 20**

G. Johnston

All: 

May the Lord grant you your heart's de - sire.

Cantor: May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble,  
the name of the God of Jacob defend you;  
Send you help from his holy place  
and strengthen you out of Zion. *Refrain*

Cantor: May the Lord remember all your offerings  
and accept your burnt sacrifice;  
Grant you your heart's desire  
and prosper all your plans. *Refrain*

Cantor: We will shout for joy at your victory, and triumph in the name of our God;  
may the Lord grant all your requests.  
Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed;  
he will answer him out of his holy heaven,  
with the victorious strength of his right hand. *Refrain*

Cantor: Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses,  
but we will call upon the name of the Lord our God.  
They collapse and fall down,  
but we will arise and stand upright.

O Lord, give victory to the King  
and answer us when we call. *Refrain*

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## Listening to God – Second Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord - for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!  
*2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17*

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*(please stand as you are able)*

Alleluia

Adapted from *Missa de Angelis*

*The refrain is first sung by the cantor, then by all.*

Refrain:   
Al - le - lu - ia, — Al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: Quietly accept the message planted in your hearts; it can bring you salvation.

## 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 Mark.

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

*Mark 4:26-34*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

### **Homily**

*(please be seated)*

### **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.

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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

- Through automatic monthly credit card or pre-authorized debit donations  
please contact [bookkeeper@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto: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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- Online via Canada Helps (scan the QR code to the right to be brought to the website)



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

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## Offertory Hymn #631

The Kingdom of God

PADERBORN

The kingdom of God is justice and joy;  
For Jesus restores what sin would destroy.  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know;  
And here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;  
The captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
The outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share;  
And hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice:  
Believe the good news, repent and rejoice!  
God's love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross:  
Our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;  
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.  
The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call;  
And all things cry "Glory!" to God all in all.

Text: B. Rees; Music: German traditional

## Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Holy and blessed God, as you give us the body and blood of your Son, guide us with your Holy Spirit, that we may honour you not only with our lips but also in our lives. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## Celebrating the Eucharist

*(please remain standing)*

### The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them 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; you are the source of light and life for all your creation; you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

## Sanctus & Benedictus #732

R. Proulx

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.  
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.


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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,

All:   
All we re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his re-sur-rec-tion, we a-wait his com-ing in glo - ry;

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.

All:   
A - men, a - men, a - men.

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

All:

All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,  
 your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,  
 For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us.  
 Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king-dom,  
 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.**

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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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(please be seated)

**Agnus Dei** Unison Service in Eb-major

E. Bairstow

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

**Communion Motet**

For the Beauty of the Earth

J. Rutter

For the beauty of the earth,  
For the beauty of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies,  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love,  
Brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth and friends above,  
For all gentle thoughts and mild,  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour,  
Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and flower,  
Sun and moon and stars of light,  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine  
To our race so freely given,  
Graces human and divine,  
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

**Communion Hymn**

Gift of Finest Wheat

BICENTENNIAL

All:

Refrain



You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat;

Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

Choir: As when the shepherd calls his sheep,  
They know and heed his voice;  
So when you call your fam'ly, Lord,  
We follow and rejoice. *Refrain*

Choir: With joyful lips we sing to you  
Our praise and gratitude,  
That you should count us worthy, Lord,  
To share this heav'nly food. *Refrain*

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### **Prayer after Communion**

*(please stand as you are able)*

Presider: O God, we have shared in the mysteries of the body and blood of Christ. Nourish us by this feast, that we may live the risen life and serve you faithfully in the world. 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 #394**

Eternal, Unchanging

ST. BASIL

Eternal, Unchanging, we sing to your praise,  
Your mercies are endless, and righteous your ways;  
Your servants proclaim the renown of your name.  
Your rule in omnipotence, ever the same.

Again we rejoice in the world you have made,  
your mighty creation in beauty arrayed;  
We thank thee for life and we praise you for joy,  
For love and for hope that no pow'r can destroy.

We praise you for Jesus, our Master and Lord,  
The might of his spirit, and truth of his word,

His comfort in sorrow, his patience in pain,  
The faith sure and steadfast that Jesus shall reign.

Text: R.B.Y. Scott; Music: H. Willan

**Dismissal**

*(please stand as you are able)*

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude** Fantasia on “St. Basil” from *Organ Notebook 5*

D. McIntyre

*Please join us after the service for refreshments!*

***Assisting with the Liturgy***

Presider:  
Ali McIntosh

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Reader:  
Supipi Weerasooriya

Verger:  
Rikk Scapillato



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.

-----ANNOUNCEMENTS-----

**1. A NEW OUTDOOR DIGITAL SIGN FOR CCDP! CALLS FOR MATCHING CONGREGATIONAL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN:**

Dear Parishioners of CCDP,

We are writing as your church wardens with some exciting news - we have decided to install a new digital sign near our Yonge Street entrance to replace our old and outdated one. This is long overdue and will allow us to promote in a more accurate and timely manner the numerous activities of our vibrant worship community. See below for a comparison of what we have and what we will install.

**EXISTING**



**PROPOSED**



We are very grateful to the Cowan-Johnston family for their generous donation of \$7,500 that has allowed us to launch this initiative. This donation, however, requires that our congregation 'match' this \$7,500 pledge - with the combined total of the two allowing us to fully finance this new and vital initiative. In short, we need your generous support in order to raise the needed \$15,000.

So, please do step forward with a donation - large or small - to help make this initiative a reality. To do so, please use this link:

<https://christchurchdeerpark.org/give/>

This will bring you to the GIVE page on our website, which outlines all the different ways you can give to the church. When you do donate, please also include the words "Church Sign" when submitting your donation so that the church office can keep track of the matching campaign amounts. We want to get started with the installation this summer, so please think of contributing before the end of June.

Thanks so much in advance for your generosity!

The Wardens

- 2. THE DOOR IS OPEN!** Greetings people of Christ Church Deer Park. I am glad to be back as your Interim-Priest-in-Charge after a three week walking tour of the Cotswolds in England. As I have been saying I have thoroughly enjoyed my vacation. But, I also had something to look forward to when I got back- coming back to CCDP. I'm keen! I want to let you all know that it is my intention to keep office hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, generally between 10 am and 2 pm. Of course things always come up, and I may have to step away but if my door is open feel free to drop in. You may want to just say hello, or have a concern, whatever, I'll be glad to chat with you.

Blessings,  
Stephen+

- 3. THE NEW ISSUE OF *SPIRITUS* IS OUT!** Pick up your copy at any entrance! (P.S. If you would like to contribute to the next issue, please submit your articles to Emily at [elwchatt@gmail.com](mailto:elwchatt@gmail.com) by July 15. Submissions should be 250-500 words, in Word format, and all submissions will be subject to edit.)
- 4. 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. The last meeting in this education series is TODAY at 11:45am in the Arthur Smith Room.

5. **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](mailto:communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org)
6. **POLLINATOR GARDEN:**
1. VOLUNTEERING: One of the most active of our volunteers working on our Christ Church Deer Park Pollinator Garden is our neighbour Penny Steen. Penny has invited fellow members of the gardening group of the Probus Club, a gathering of about 20 gardening enthusiasts, to join her on Tuesday, June 18, 11 AM, at the CCDP garden. A conversation about our work on the garden will be hosted then by the Rev. Canon Brad Lennon. We will chat about the work Penny and members of our congregation have done to start our garden. Penny wishes to invite any members of the CCDP congregation to come and take part in that discussion as well. Brad and Penny will welcome any questions that those attending may have.
  2. BLESSING & CELEBRATION: Please join us on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> after the 10:30am service for a blessing and celebration of our newly-planted pollinator garden!
7. **THE PARISH SELECTION COMMITTEE UPDATE:** The Parish Selection Committee wishes to thank those of you who recently contributed to the Focus Group materials by email. The Committee is now finalizing the Profile. We will keep you posted when the next stage is completed.
8. **CHURCH ON TAP – PRIDE CELEBRATION!** Exciting news! We are collaborating with Voices Canada this year, meaning we will have a panel presentation (in lieu of a homily) discussing faith, pride, and resilience. We'll also celebrate the Eucharist, have great music, and have a festive party afterwards! (With food, beer, and not one, not two, but *three* drag queen performers!) All are welcome! 7pm on Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>.
9. **JAZZ VESPERS:** As always, Jazz Vespers takes a break for the summer – but not before going out with a bang! On Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30pm, come out to hear The Brian Barlow Big Band play excellent jazz music, interspersed with prayers, scripture readings, and a short reflection.
10. **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.

- 11. 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!
- 12. 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 [communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org](mailto:communitycare@christchurchdeerpark.org).
- 13. TRUTH & RECONCILIATION WORKING GROUP:** June 21st is National Indigenous Peoples Day, a day to celebrate and learn about First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples. Events in the city include the annual powwow and arts market at Garrison Common on June 15-16, and a series of talks and performances at the Harbourfront Centre on the 21st. There are many smaller events held throughout the city – why not check out something going on in your neighbourhood?
- 14. CLIMATE ACTION GROUP:** Toronto's vast network of ravines is the largest in any city in the world, with approximately 110 square kilometers of land protected under a city bylaw since 2002. Comprising forests, beaches, meadows, wetlands, and open water, the ravines provide undeveloped space for wild flora and fauna, in addition to areas used for flood management, carbon sequestration, and recreational purposes. A recent assessment valued the ecosystem services and economic contribution of the ravines to be \$822 million annually. You can read more about the City's Ravine Strategy at <https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/long-term-vision-plans-and-strategies/ravine-strategy/>
- 15. 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 [pat.butler@bell.net](mailto:pat.butler@bell.net) or 416-573-1415. You will receive a tax receipt and a photo of the arrangement. Also, to anyone who may wish to join the Flower Guild, please contact Nina Overbury.







## 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 19**

11:00am Holy Eucharist  
*In person*

**Friday, June 21**

7:00pm Church on Tap - Pride Celebration!  
*In person*

**Saturday, June 22**

8-9am Community Breakfast

**Sunday, June 23**

8:00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)  
*In person*

9:15am Contemporary Worship  
*In person*

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

4:30pm Jazz Vespers  
*In person*



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