

# Christ Church Deer Park

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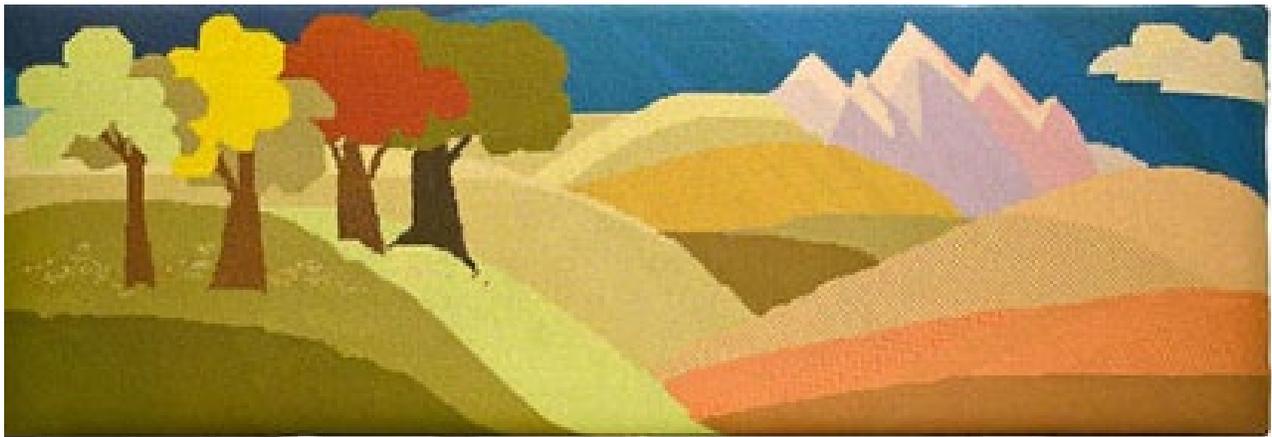
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November 16, 2025  
Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost

**Holy Eucharist**  
**at 10:30 am**

**Welcome! We're so glad you're here.**



O let the earth bless the Lord:  
sing God's praise and exalt God forever

**“We, who are many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread”.**

1 Corinthians 10:17

***All are welcome to receive communion with us.***

- ❖ 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. (Dipping bread into wine is not permitted for health reasons.)
- ❖ 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.
- ❖ If you prefer simply 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.
- ❖ The response to receiving bread, wine, or a blessing is “Amen.”

All hymns, unless printed in the bulletin, are from the blue hymnal: *Common Praise* (CP). Large print orders of service are available. Hearing Assistance Devices are located on the table beside the bell-tower entrance.

## Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the land on which we worship is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinabek, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples. 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 their 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.

## The Gathering of the Community

**Prelude** *Pari* Intervallo, Op. 26  
Arvo Pärt

### Welcome

*(please stand as you are able)*

**Opening Hymn** – Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken – CP #388

AUSTRIA

1. Glorious things of thee are  
spoken, Zion city of God;  
He whose word cannot be broken  
Formed thee for his own abode.  
On the rock of ages founded,  
What can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
Thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

2. See! The streams of living  
waters,  
Springing from eternal love,  
Well supply thy sons and  
daughters  
And all fear of want remove.  
Who can faint, when such a river  
flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the lord, the  
giver, never fails from age to age.

Text: John Newton  
Music: Franz Josef Haydn

3. Round each habitation hovering,  
See the cloud and fire appear for a  
glory and a covering –  
Showing that the Lord is near.  
Thus they march, the pillar  
leading, light by night, and shard  
by day;  
Daily on the manna feeding  
Which God gives them when they  
pray.

4. Saviour, if of Zion's city I  
through grace a member am,  
let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name.  
Fading is the world's best  
pleasure,  
all its boasted pomp or show:  
solid joys and lasting treasures  
none but Zion's children know.

*(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.**

## Collect for Purity

Presider: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Gloria – Mass of St. Thomas

David Thorne

All

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est.

Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord, God,

Heav'n-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo-ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high-est.

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 sea-ted at the right

hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God,

Glo-ry to God in the high-est. 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 Spi-rit in the

glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high-est.

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## The Collect of the Day

Presider: Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

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.**

### First Reading: Is 65: 17-25 NRSVA

*(please be seated)*

Reader: A reading from Isaiah.

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

*Isaiah 65: 17-25*

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 12: 2-6

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

R. You will draw wa - ter joy - ful - ly  
from the springs of sal - va - tion.

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Cantor: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defence, and he will be my Saviour. Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation. **Refrain**

Cantor: And on that day you shall say, Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his name is exalted. **Refrain**

Cantor: Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world. Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

**Refrain**

*(please remain seated)*

## Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 NRVSA

Reader: A reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

*2 Thessalonians 3:6-13*

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

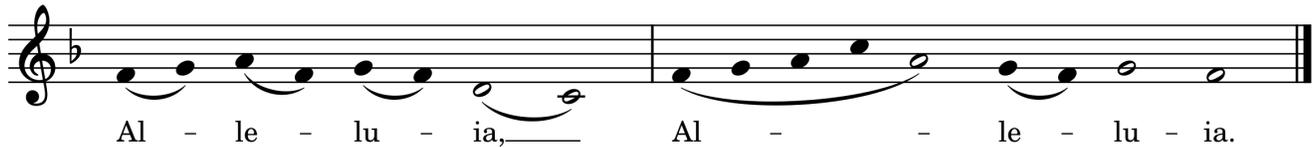
**All: Thanks be to God.**

(please stand as you are able)

## Gospel Acclamation - Alleluia

Based on *Missa de Angelis*

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



Cantor: Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. *Luke 21.28*

**All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## 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 Luke.

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.'

*Luke 21: 5-19*

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Sermon

(please be seated)

## Music for Reflection

### 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, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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

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.

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:

Peace be with you

**All:**

**And also with you**

*The congregation is invited to remain standing for the offertory.*

## Offertory Hymn – Canticle of the Turning

STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN

Words by Rory Cooney

**All:** 1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout  
that the God of my heart is great,  
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things  
that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,  
and my weakness you did not spurn,  
So from east to west shall my name be blest.  
Could the world be about to turn?

**Refrain (all): My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,  
And the world is about to turn!**

**Upper voices:** Though I am small, my God, my all,  
you work great things in me,  
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past  
to the end of the age to be.  
Your very name puts the proud to shame,  
and to those who would for you yearn,  
You will show your might, put the strong to flight,  
for the world is about to turn. **Refrain**

**Lower voices:** From the halls of power to the fortress tower,  
not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears  
ev'ry tyrant from his throne.  
The hungry poor shall weep no more,  
for the food they can never earn;  
There are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,  
for the world is about to turn. **Refrain**

**All:** Though the nations rage from age to age,  
we remember who holds us fast:  
God's mercy must deliver us  
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that our forebears heard  
is the promise which holds us bound,  
'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God,  
who is turning the world around. **Refrain**

Text: Luke 1:46–58; Rory Cooney, b.1952 Tune: Irish melody; arr. by Rory Cooney, © 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.

## Prayer Over the Gifts

Presider: Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

### Eucharistic Prayer

*(please remain standing)*

Presider                      People                      Presider                      People



The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider    People



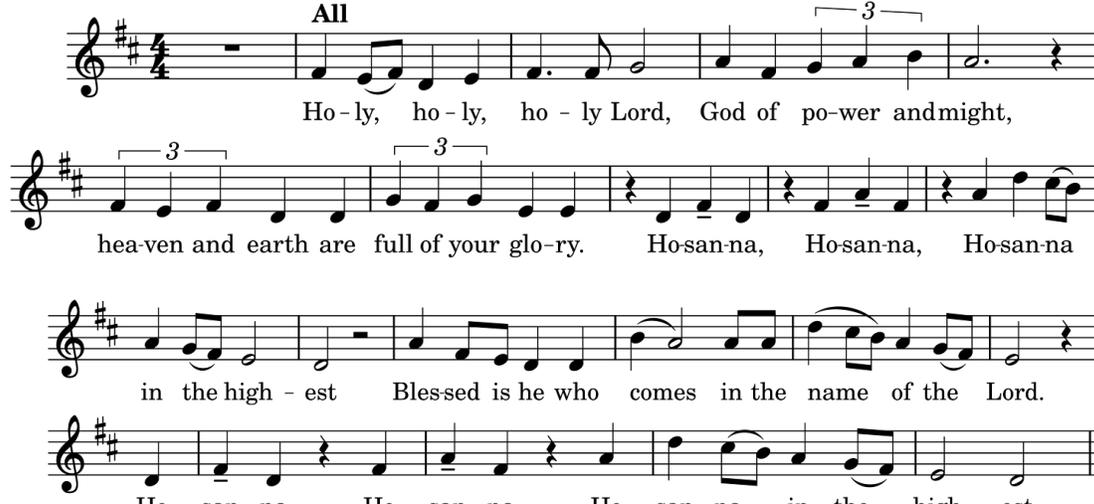
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God      It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: human you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

## Sanctus & Benedictus – Mass of St. Thomas

David Thorne

All

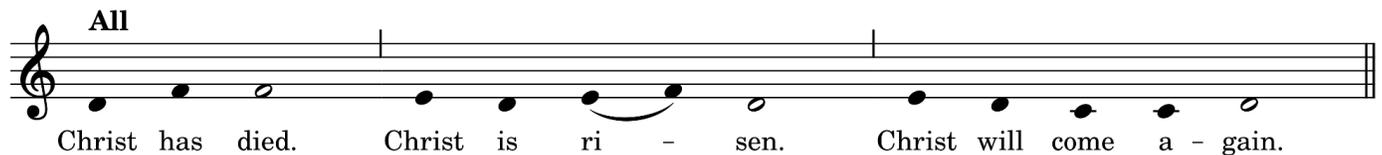


Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,  
hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Hosan-na, Hosan-na, Hosan-na  
in the high - est Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Presider: Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will. On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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." Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Presider: Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.



## The Lord's Prayer

M. Robinson II

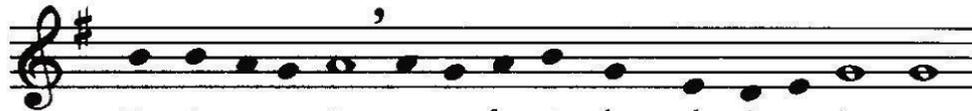
Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.



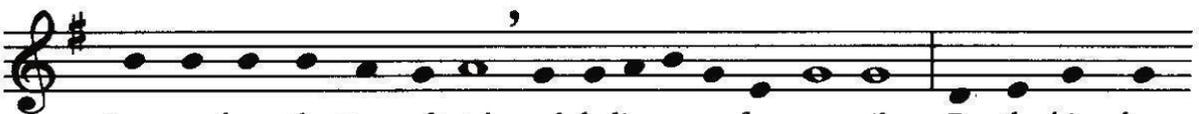
All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,



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.

## Breaking of the Bread

Presider: "We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world."

All: **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

*(please be seated in prayer)*

## Agnus Dei – Agnus Dei I *(sung by the choir)*

Peter Hurford

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 – O Lord, My God

Jacques Arcadelt

O Lord, my God, to thee do I lift up my soul. O Lord in thee have I trusted; let me not be ashamed; let my foes not triumph over me. O lead me in a plain path; cast me not off, neither forsake me. Teach me thy way, Lord; lead me in a plain path. O hide not thy face far from me. Amen.

1. Jerusalem the golden,  
with milk and honey blessed,  
beneath thy contemplation  
sink heart and voice oppressed.  
I know not, oh, I know not,  
what joys await us there;  
what radiancy of glory,  
what bliss beyond compare.

2. They stand, those halls of Zion,  
all jubilant with song,  
and bright with many an angel,  
and all the martyr throng.  
The Prince is ever in them,  
the daylight is serene;  
the pastures of the blessed  
are decked in glorious sheen.

3. There is the throne of David,  
and there, from care released,  
the shout of them that triumph,  
the song of them that feast;  
and they who with their leader  
have conquered in the fight,  
forever and forever  
are clad in robes of white.

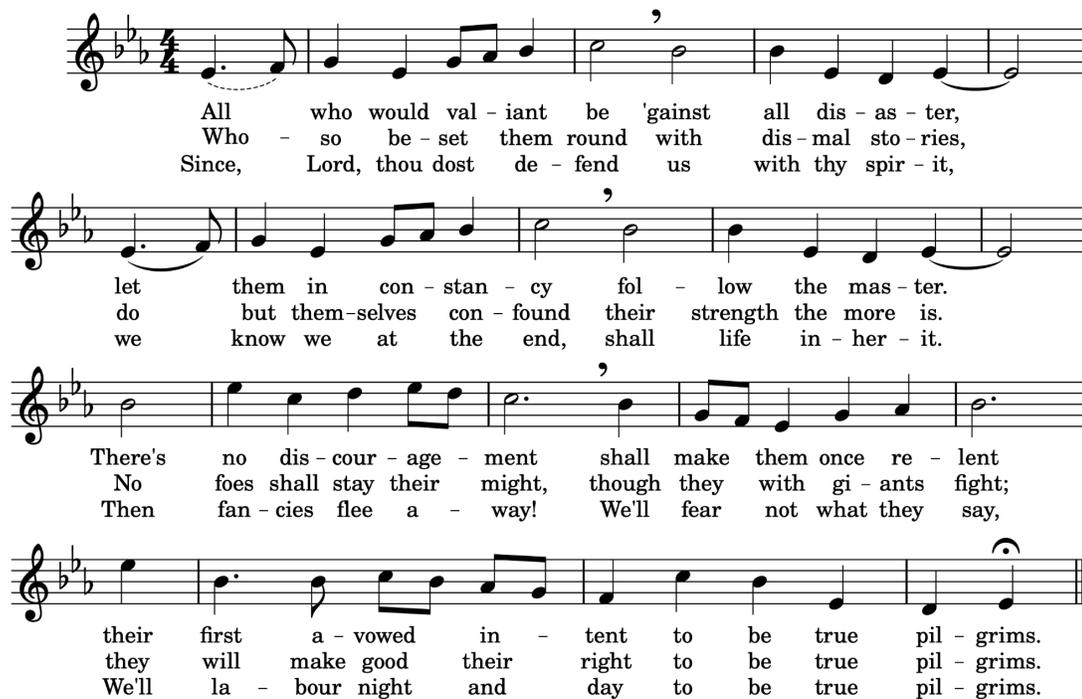
4. O sweet and blessed country,  
the home of God's elect;  
O dear and future vision,  
that eager hearts expect:  
even now by faith we see thee,  
even here thy walls discern;  
to thee our thoughts are kindled;  
For thee our spirits yearn.

Text: Bernard of Cluny; tr. John Mason Neale Music: Alexander Ewing

**Announcements** – Refer to the separate announcements bulletin.

**Closing Hymn** – All Who Would Valiant Be

MONK'S GATE



All who would valiant be 'gainst all dis-as-ter,  
Who - so be-set them round with dis-mal sto-ries,  
Since, Lord, thou dost de-fend us with thy spir-it,  
let them in con-stant-cy fol-low the mas-ter.  
do but them-selves con-found their strength the more is.  
we know we at the end, shall life in-her-it.  
There's no dis-cour-age-ment shall make them once re-lent  
No foes shall stay their might, though they with gi-ants fight;  
Then fan-cies flee a-way! We'll fear not what they say,  
their first a-vowed in-tent to be true pil-grims.  
they will make good their right to be true pil-grims.  
We'll la-bour night and day to be true pil-grims.

Text: John Bunyan (adapt).

Music: Sussex folk melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams

**Postlude**

Prelude in A minor, BWV543

J.S. Bach

*Please join us in Elliott Hall for coffee hour.  
You can reach it by exiting the door between the side chapel and the organ on the south side,  
turning right, and going up the stairs or taking the elevator.  
Ask someone for directions if you're not sure!*

***Assisting with the Liturgy***

Presider & Preacher: Alison Falby

Crucifier: Sunkanmi Kazeem

Director of Music & Organist: Stefani Bedin

Choral Section Leads: Emily Ding, Julia Barber,  
Martin So (interim), Peter Warren

Reader: Winnie Tang

Prayers: Dennis Duffy

Warden on Duty: Stephen Clark

Greeters: Ruwani de Fonseca

Livestream Technician: Nate Denton

Verger: Rikk Scapillato

**Next Week's Musical Preview:** On November 23rd, we will celebrate the Reign of Christ (CCDP's "Feast of Title" and the last Sunday of the liturgical year) with majestic hymns including "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven," "Crown Him With Many Crowns" and "Rejoice, the Lord is King." The choral anthem will be Ralph Vaughan Williams' exuberant "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" from *Five Mystical Songs*. Choral selections from Harold Darke's beloved Communion Service in A will also be featured. The organ postlude will be Jeanne Demessieux's triumphant *Te Deum*, Op. 11.

## **Leadership**

The Rev. Canon Dr. Alison Falby – *Incumbent*  
The Rev. Cathy Gibbs – *Adult Education*  
Stefani Bedin – *Director of Music*  
Bryan Tran – *Director of Parish Operations & Bookkeeper*  
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Carlos Lopez, Godwin Njeteneh – *Custodial Team*

## **Ways to Serve & Get Involved**

*Community Breakfast* – Carl Wehniainen, Lead  
*Congregational Care Team* – Ann Atkins, Lead  
*Prayer Circle* – Jan D'Angelo, Coordinator

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*Small Groups* – The Rev. Cathy Gibbs  
*Coffee Hour* – Sandra Geddes, Coordinator  
*Chancel Guild* – Elsa Jones, Lead  
*Children's Ministry* – Sharilyn Robinson, Lead  
*Refugee Committee* – Julie Scott, Chair  
*Stewardship Committee* – Stephen Clark  
*Truth and Reconciliation* – Mary Bredin, Lead

*Choir* – Stefani Bedin, Director  
*Hospitality* – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead  
*Readers & Intercessors* – The Rev. Alison Falby  
*Welcome Team* – Paul Kingston, Coordinator  
*Property Committee* – Andrew Harding, Chair  
*Investment Committee* – George Lewis, Chair  
*Climate Action Group* – Brad Lennon, Lead

*Rummage Re-Imagined* – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead  
*Spiritus* – Emily Chatten, Melissa Walter, Editorial Team

*Christmas Sale* – Jayne Miles Simpson, Lead  
*Churches on the Hill Foodbank* – Ted Southey, Lead

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## **Participating in the Offertory**

Thank you for your faithful generosity. Running our church is a significant undertaking that allows us to serve our congregation and the neighbourhood. Our essential weekly operating costs total approximately \$20,000. Your contributions support everything from maintaining our sacred space to funding vital community programs and staff salaries. Your ongoing support is deeply appreciated. For more information on how to make a regular financial contribution, speak to Bryan in the office or go to our website:

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

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