

Christ Church Deer Park

1570 Yonge Street, Toronto
416-920-5211
info@christchurchdeerpark.org

April 12, 2026
Second Sunday of Easter
10:30 am

Welcome!

We are delighted to have you worship with us.



Musical Note

During the Easter season, we will be singing the psalms to Anglican chants. This practice, which emerged in the early history of the Anglican church, continues today in many cathedrals, chapels, and parishes with strong choirs (and used to be a more regular part of CCDP's own musical practices in decades past). Anglican chants are short, harmonized, repeating formulas. Each line begins with a reciting tone, where we chant with speech-like rhythms, followed by a melodic conclusion. The vertical lines in the text correspond with the measures in the music notation and the asterisks mark the half verse; the dots (or horizontal brackets in some systems) show how syllables are to be grouped. This week, the choir will take the lead, and you are encouraged to listen, follow along with the notation in the bulletin, and join in as you feel comfortable.

Please note all hymn numbers are from *Common Praise*, the blue hymnal.

Welcome & Gathering

(please stand as you are able)

Opening Hymn - Christ the Lord is Risen Again - CP #217

WÜRTEMBERG

Christ the Lord is risen again,
Christ has broken every chain.
Hear the angel voices cry,
singing evermore on high:
alleluia!

He who slumbered in the grave
is exalted now to save;
through the universe it rings
that the lamb is King of kings:
Alleluia!

He who gave for us his life,
who for us endured the strife,
is our paschal lamb today;
we too sing for joy, and say:
alleluia!

Now he bids us tell abroad
how the lost may be restored,
how the penitent forgiven,
how we too may enter heaven:
Alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss
comfortless upon the cross
lives in glory now on high,
pleads for us, and hears our cry:
alleluia!

Christ, our paschal lamb indeed,
all your ransomed people feed!
Take our sins and guilt away:
let us sing by night and day:
alleluia!

Text: Michael Weisse; tr. Catherine Winkworth
Music: Attr. Johann Rosenmüller

Gathering

(please remain standing)

Presider: Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Presider: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

f Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a! Glo - ry to God in the high - est.
Glo - ri - a! Glo - ri - a! And peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Music: L. Randolph Babin
©2004, GIA Publications, Inc.

All: Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. **Refrain**

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.

Refrain

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. **Refrain**

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Presider: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

Listening to God – First Reading

(please be seated)

Reader: A reading from Acts.

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

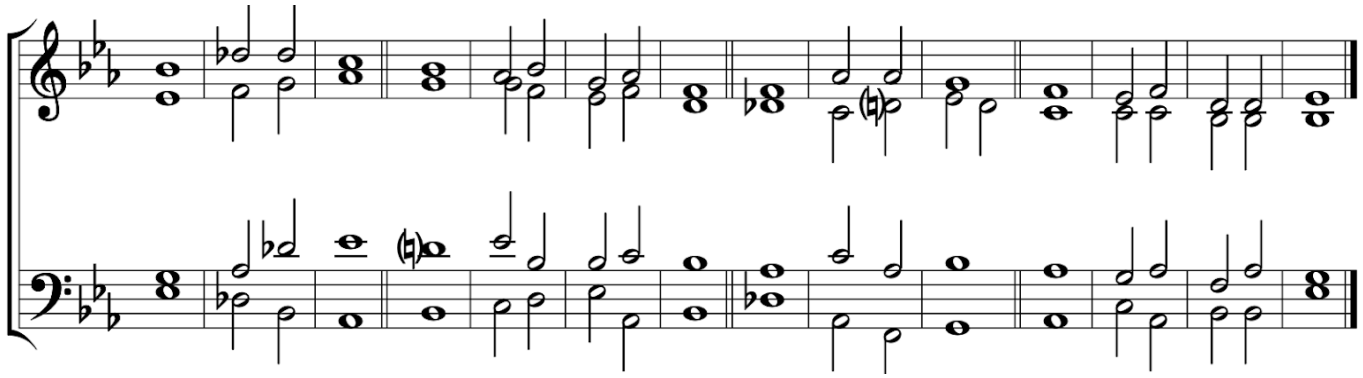
“Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. David said about him:

“I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest in hope, because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, you will not let your holy one see decay. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, that he was not abandoned to the realm of the dead, nor did his body see decay. God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it.” *Acts 2:14a, 22-32, NIV*

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

All: Thanks be to God.



All: Protect me, O God, for I take | refuge • in | you; *
 I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,
 my | good a |bove all | other."

All my delight is upon the godly that are | in the | land,*
 upon those who are | noble • a | -mong the | people.

But those who run after | other gods *
 shall | have their | troubles | multiplied.

Their libations of blood I | will not | offer, *
 nor take the names of their | gods up | -on my | lips.

O Lord, you are my | portion • and my • cup; *
 it is | you • who up | -hold my | lot.

My boundaries enclose a | pleasant | land; *
 indeed, I | have a | goodly | heritage.

I will bless the Lord who | gives me | counsel; *
 my heart teaches me, | night | after | night.

I have set the Lord | always • be | -fore me; *
 because he is at my | right hand I | shall not | fall.

*Use 2nd half of chant
 only for the following verse*

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my | spirit • re | -joices; *
 my body | also • shall | rest in | hope.

For you will not abandon me | to the | grave, *
 nor let your | holy • one | see the | Pit.

You will show me the | path of | life; *
 in your presence there is fullness of joy,

and in your right hand are | pleasures • for | ever | -more.

Listening to God – Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls. *1 Peter 1:3-9, NIV*

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation – Alleluia - CP #709

Based on VICTORY

Cantor: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Cantor: Have you believed, Thomas, because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. *John 20.29*

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Holy Gospel

(please remain standing)

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.

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them

and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

John 20:19-31, NIV

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

(please be seated)

Music for Reflection

The Nicene Creed

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(please stand, kneel, or sit as you are able)

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

Presider: We give in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.
Let us give away generously, in this offering,
to bless God's church, God's people, and God's creation. Amen.

Offertory Hymn - O Sons and Daughters - CP #228 Vs 1,4-8

O FILII ET FILIAE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of heaven, the glorious King,
o'er death today rose triumphing.
Alleluia!

That night the apostles met in fear;
amidst them came their Lord most dear,
and said, "My peace be on all here."
Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard,
how they had seen the risen Lord,
he doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia!

My piercèd side, O Thomas, see;
behold my hands, my feet," said he;
"not faithless, but believing be."

All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and

10
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the

19
high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name, who comes in the name of the

27
Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Ho-san-na in the high - est!

Music: Missa Pacem, L. Randolph Babin © 2004, GIA Publications, Inc.

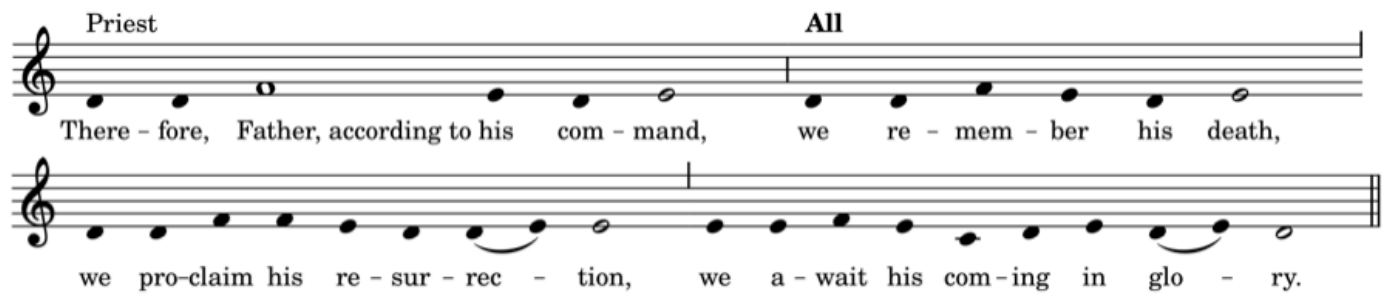
Presider: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

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."

Priest All



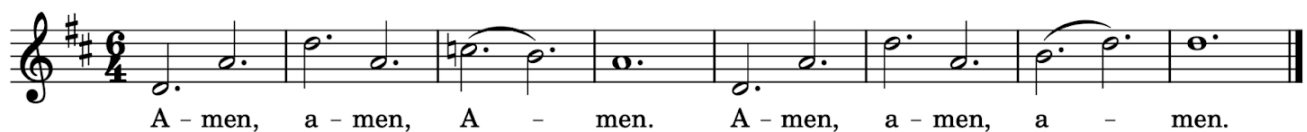
There - fore, Father, according to his com - mand, we re - mem - ber his death,
 we pro-claim his re - sur - rec - tion, we a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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.

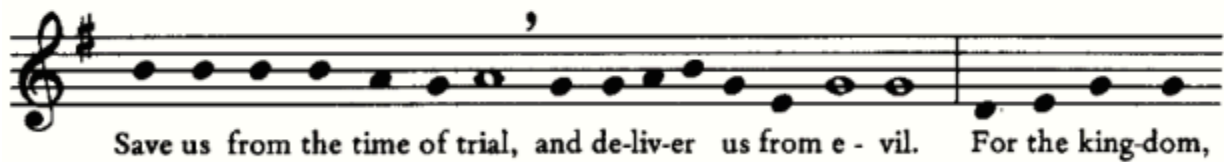
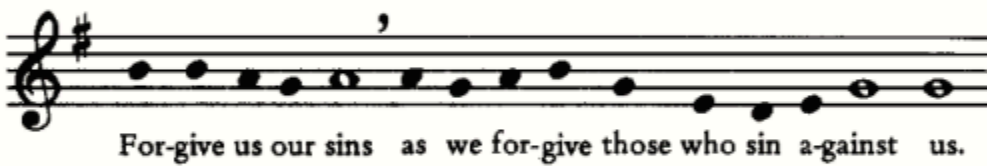
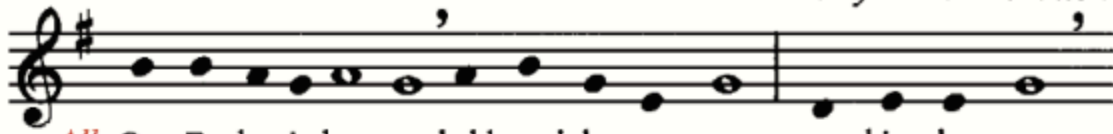


A - men, a - men, A - men. A - men, a - men, a - men.

Music: Missa Pacem, L. Randolph Babin © 2004, GIA Publications, Inc.

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

Music by McNeil Robinson



© 1984, Church Publishing, Inc.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Presider: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Presider: **Live in us, that we may live in you.**

Presider: The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

All
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Choir
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

All
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A Note about Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive communion with us. Please refrain from intinction (dipping the Bread in the Chalice). If you wish to abstain from receiving the Chalice, you may indicate this to the Chalice bearer by crossing your arms over your chest. 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."

(please be seated)

Communion Anthem - This Joyful Eastertide

Philip Ledger (arr.)

This joyful Eastertide,
Away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified,
Hath sprung to life this morrow.

Refrain

Had Christ, that once was slain,
Ne'er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now hath Christ arisen,
arisen, arisen, arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest,
And for a season slumber:
Till trump from east to west
Shall wake the dead in number. *Refrain*

Death's flood hath lost his chill,
Since Jesus cross'd the river
Lover of souls, from ill
My passing soul deliver. *Refrain*

Text: George R. Woodward
Anonymous Dutch tune, arr. Philip Ledger

Communion Hymn

We Walk by Faith

ST. BOTOLPH

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are arranged in four numbered parts. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the final two lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as
fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise
may our faith a - bound, to call on you when
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
we re - jice; and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt.
Music: *St. Botolph*, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

CM

Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider: Lord Jesus, we have feasted on the bread of life. We have quenched our thirst with the wine of your new kingdom. In your risen power you have united us with all our loved ones in heaven and on earth. May that communion strengthen and renew us, bring us hope and joy, today and in the days to come. To you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, be glory here and everywhere, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

Presider: May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life. And may the blessing of God Almighty – Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifying Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, this day and always.

All: Amen.

Announcements

(please stand as you are able)

Closing Hymn - Thine Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son

MACCABAEUS

Thine be the glory,
risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.
Angels robed in splendour
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine be the glory,
risen, conquering Son:
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us,
risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us,
scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord is living;
death has lost its sting! **Refrain**

No more we doubt thee,
glorious Prince of life;
what is life without thee?
Aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors
through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan
to thy home above. **Refrain**

Text: Edmond Budry; tr. Richard B. Hoyle
Music: G.F. Handel

Dismissal

Clergy: Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Paraphrase sur un choeur de Handel, Op. 90

Alexandre Guilmant

Happy Easter! Please join us after the service in Elliott Hall for refreshments.

Assisting with the Liturgy

Presider and Preacher: The Rev'd Cathy Gibbs

Director of Music & Organist: Stefani Bedin

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

Crucifer: Sunkanmi Kazeem

SubDeacon: Elsa Jones

Reader: Pauline Thompson

Prayers of the People: Paul Gooch

Warden on Duty: Paul Kingston

SidesPerson / Greeter : John Goodwin

Verger: Rikk Scapillato

Livestream Technician: Nate Denton

Next Week's Worship Preview:

Third Sunday of Easter – April 19, 2026

Readings: Acts 2:14A, 36-41, Psalm 116, 1-3, 10-17 Peter 1:27-23, Luke 24:13-35

Presider & Preacher : Rev'd Alison Falby

Hymns: Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain | O Lord, Whose Love Designed the Day | I Come with Joy | Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

Choral anthem: Palestrina- *Sicut Cervus*

Visitor Information

Hearing Assistance Devices are located on the table beside the bell-tower entrance. Large Print Orders of Service are available.

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.

Offerings and Donations

There are a number of ways to make offerings or donations to the church.



In Person

Place your gifts in the collection plate during services or special events.



By Mail

Send your offering by cheque to the church office.

PAR Pre-Authorized Remittance

Regular monthly offering directly from your bank.



By Credit Card

Contact: bookkeeper@christchurchdeerpark.org to give by PAR or Credit Card



Scan Here

It will take you directly to the CanadaHelps page.



Online

Visit our website at christchurchdeerpark.org> Give



Interac e-Transfer

Submit your offering to donations@christchurchdeerpark.org

Official tax receipts are issued on an annual basis to those who give \$20 or more. If you wish to receive a receipt, please enclose your gift in an envelope with your name and address or donate online.

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.