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May 31, 2026

Trinity Sunday

A Sung Service of Holy Communion

10:30 am

Welcome!

We are delighted to have you worship with us.



“We, who are many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread”. *1 Corinthians 10:17*

A note about Trinity Sunday

Today we celebrate the mysterious Source of all power above us, beside us, and within us: our three-personed God, traditionally known as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Thomas Aquinas characterized the Trinity as *verbum spirans amorem*: “a word breathing forth love” in Latin. The Trinity is a God of loving relationship, which means we experience God when we think, speak, and breathe forth love. Our understanding of the Trinity may be less important than how we live it.

Reverend Alison

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

Welcome & Gathering

(please stand as you are able)

Opening Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy – CP #1

NICAEA

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

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

Text: Reginald Heber Tune: John 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

Mass of St. Cedd

Peter Nardone

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Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
 migh - ty God, and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry.

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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
mf
 Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer. 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. A - men, A - - men.

The Collect of the Day

Presider Creator God, we praise you: through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things. You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love. Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **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 Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights - the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night - and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm,

and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created. *Genesis 1:1-2:4A NRSV*

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

The refrain is first sung by the choir, then repeated by all.



How ex - al - ted is your Name in all the world!

Choir O Lord our Governor,
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
to quell the enemy and the avenger. **Refrain**



How ex - al - ted is your Name in all the world!

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
what is man that you should be mindful of him,
the son of man that you should seek him out?
You have made him but little lower than the angels;
you adorn him with glory and honour. **Refrain**

You give him mastery over the works of your hands;
you put all things under his feet: all sheep and oxen,
even the wild beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

O Lord our Lord, how exalted is your Name in all the world! **Refrain**

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Listening to God – Second Reading

Reader A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. Amen.

2 Corinthians 13:11-13, NRSV

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn – Father, Most Holy

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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| <p>1. Father, most holy, merciful, and tender;
Jesus our Saviour, with the Father reigning;
Spirit of mercy, Advocate, Defender,
Light never waning.</p> | <p>2. Trinity blessed, Unity unshaken;
Deity perfect, giving and forgiving,
Light of the angels, Life of the forsaken,
Hope of all living;
<small>Text: 10th century Latin hymn; tr. Percy Dearmer Music: <i>Paris Antiphoner</i>, 1681</small></p> |
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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 Matthew.
All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."
Matthew 28:16-20, NRSV

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.
All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Hymn – Father, Most Holy

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

3. Maker of all things, all Thy
creatures praise Thee;
lo, all things serve Thee through
Thy whole creation:
hear us, Almighty, hear us as we
raise Thee,
heart's adoration.

4. To the almighty triune God be glory:
highest and greatest, help Thou our
endeavor;
we, too, would praise Thee, giving honor
worthy,
now and forever.

Text: 10th century Latin hymn; tr. Percy Dearmer Music: *Paris Antiphoner*, 1681

Homily

(please be seated)

Choral Meditation – Blessed Trinity
composed for the choir of Christ Church Deer Park

Roger Knox

Blessed Trinity
A holy mystery
Three in one, and one in three
May God ever be.

Blessed Trinity
We worship faithfully
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
All in harmony.

Blessed Trinity
We pray attentively
Guide our way with strength and mercy
For eternity,
Blessed Trinity.

Text and music: Roger Knox © 2026

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

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 stand as you are able)

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.

Offertory Hymn – Most Ancient of All Mysteries

ST. FLAVIAN

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| 1. Most ancient of all mysteries,
Before Thy throne we lie;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most holy Trinity. | 3. Thou wast not born; there was no fount
From which Thy Being flowed;
There is no end which Thou canst reach;
But Thou art simply God. |
| 2. When heav'n and earth were yet
unmade,
When time was yet unknown,
Thou in Thy bliss and majesty
Didst live and love alone. | 4. How wonderful creation is,
The work which Thou didst bless!
And O, what then must Thou be like,
Eternal loveliness! |

5. Most ancient of all mysteries,
Still at thy throne we lie;
Have mercy now, most merciful,
Most holy Trinity.

Text: Frederick Faber Music: Day's Psalter, 1562, adapt.

Prayer over the Gifts

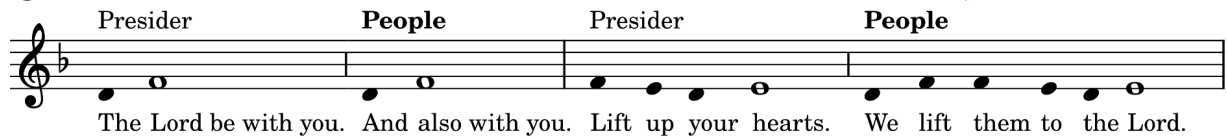
Presider Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

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 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 splendour, 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 *Mass of St. Cedd*

Peter Nardone

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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."

Presider Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.



Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come — a - gain.

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.

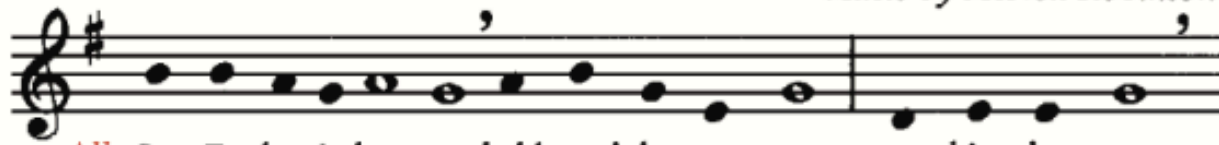
In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, world without end. Amen.

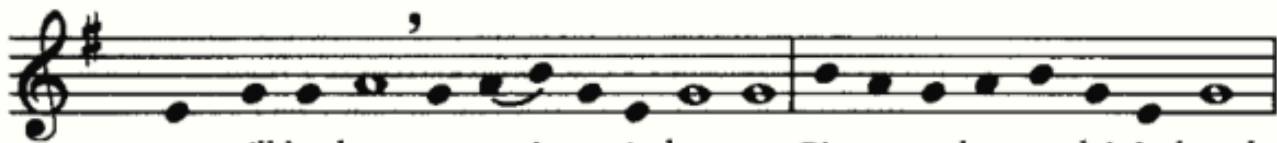
The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

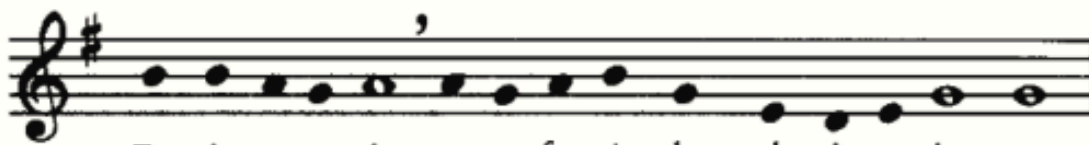
Music by McNeil Robinson



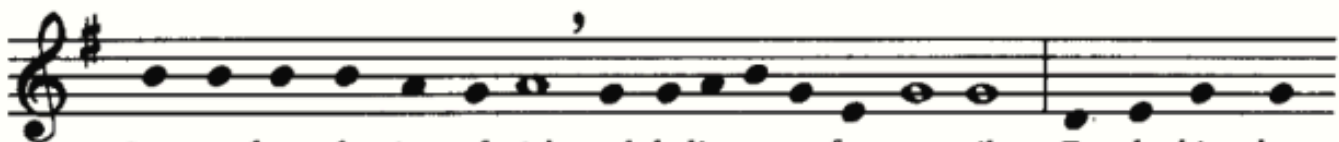
All Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come,



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 "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him.**

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

All Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei – Mass of St. Cedd

Peter Nardone

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,
grant us peace, grant us peace.

pp rit.

A Note about Holy Communion

All are welcome to receive communion with us. Please refrain from dipping the bread in the Communion Cup. If you wish to abstain from receiving the Cup, you may indicate this 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.”

Communion Hymn – O God, Almighty Father

please be seated

O God, Almighty Father

1. O God, al - might - y Fa - ther, Cre - a - tor of all things, The
2. O Je - sus, Word in - car - nate, Re - deem - er most a - dored, All
3. O God, the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who lives with - in our soul, Send
heav - ens stand in won - der, While earth your glo - ry sings.
glo - ry, praise, and hon - or Be yours, O sov - reign Lord.
forth your light and lead us To our e - ter - nal goal.
O most ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Un - di - vid - ed u - ni - ty,
Ho - ly God, might - y God, God im - mor - tal be a - dored!

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 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.**

Blessing

Presider May the love of God and the grace of our Saviour Jesus Christ and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all now and forever.

All **Amen.**

Announcements

(please be seated)

Closing Hymn – I Bind Unto Myself Today – CP #436

(please stand as you are able)

ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

All 1. I bind unto myself today
the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same,
the Three-in-One, and One-in-Three.

All 2. 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.

High voices

3. 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,

Low voices

the flashing of the lightning free,
the whirling wind's tempestuous
shocks,
the stable earth, the deep salt sea,
around the old eternal rocks.

All 4. 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 guard.

Choir only

5. *Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

All 6. 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

Presider Go in the peace of Christ.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude *Lobet den Herrn* ("Praise the Lord") from 33 Portraits, Op. 101, No. 5 Siegfried Karg-Elert

Musical Note

This Sunday, the choir is delighted to give the world premiere of "Blessed Trinity," a beautiful new piece recently composed by Christ Church Deer Park's very own Dr. Roger Knox, a longtime parishioner and choir member. Roger has provided the following explanation of his piece: *"Blessed Trinity is a short meditation for unaccompanied choir. There are three stanzas in the text. The first two move forward with affirmations of faith in the Christian Trinity. The musical setting is simple in texture, while surprising turns in melody and harmony may also suggest the mystery of the Trinity. The last stanza is a prayer to God for guidance, and the work closes peacefully."* Not often does a choir have the privilege to perform a piece of music written specifically for their voices and the space in which they sing; we are incredibly grateful to Roger for so generously sharing this piece and entrusting our choir to offer it in worship.

Assisting with the Liturgy

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Alison Falby

Director of Music & Organist: Stefani Bedin

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

Crucifer: Sunkanmi Kazeem

SubDeacon: Elsa Jones

Reader: Melissa Walter

Prayers of the People: Nigel Johnson

Warden on Duty: Paul Kingston

Sidesperson / Greeter: Lito Pena

Verger: Rikk Scapillato

Livestream Technician: Nate Denton

Next Week's Worship Preview:

Corpus Christi Sunday – June 7, 2026

Readings: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16, Psalm 147:13-16, 20-21, 1 Corinthians 10:16-17, John 6:51-58

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Alison Falby

Hymns: Now My Tongue the Mystery Telling | Praise, O Zion, Voices Raising | Thee We Adore, O Hidden Saviour | Guide Me, O, Thou Great Redeemer

Motet: Olivier Messiaen – *O Sacrum Convivium*

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.



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



By Mail

Send your offering by cheque to the church office.

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Regular monthly offering directly from your bank.



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