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August 23, 2026
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
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

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.

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

Welcome & Gathering

(please stand as you are able)

Opening Hymn – The Church's One Foundation - CP #525 (vv. 1,2,4,5)

AURELIA

All The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are his new creation
by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought us
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought us,
and for our life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
our charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one glorious name we hallow,
partake one holy food,
and to one hope we follow,
with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of our war,
we wait the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
our longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

Yet we on earth have union
with God the Three-in-One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

Text: Samuel John Stone
Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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 - CP #365

DARWALL

All Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.
We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin, have mercy, Lord.
Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord. You only are most high.
You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ.
And now you reign with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

Text: Gloria, para. Paul Gibson © Common Praise, 365

Music: John Darwall

The Collect of the Day

Presider Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 Exodus.

John Clarke

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.'

So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

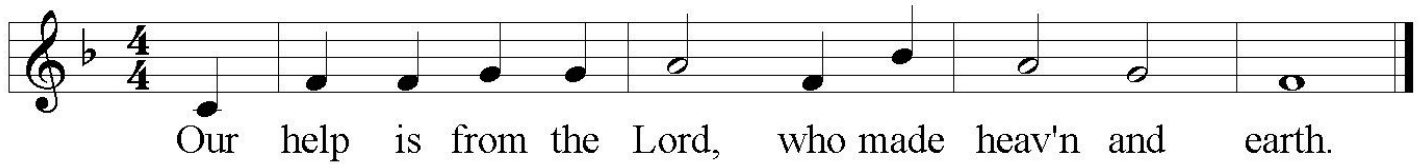
Exodus 2:1-10, NRSV

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 124

George Black

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



Cantor If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;
if the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;
then would they have swallowed us up alive
in their fierce anger toward us. **Refrain**

Then would the waters have overwhelmed us, and the torrent gone over us;
then would the raging waters have gone over us.

Blessed be the Lord!

he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. **Refrain**

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth. **Refrain**

Listening to God – Second Reading

John Clarke

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one

of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.
Romans 12:1-8, NRSV

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - Alleluia - CP #708

Mode VI

Cantor: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Cantor: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Matthew 16:16

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Holy Gospel

(please remain standing)

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.
Matthew 16:13-20, NRSV

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(please be seated)

Homily

Rev. Christine Lambert

Music for Reflection - Prayer of Julian of Norwich

Carson Cooman

Trio God, of your goodness, give yourself to me.

For you are enough for me: Only in you do I have everything. Amen.

- Julian of Norwich

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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.

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

Prayers of the People

Melissa Walter

Confession and Absolution

Deacon 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.

Deacon 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. **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 – Take my Life and Let it Be - CP #435

MOZART

All Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and purposeful for thee.

Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances Havergal
Music: attributed to Mozart

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrating the Eucharist

(please remain standing)

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

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

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus & Benedictus - Mass of St. Cedd

Peter Nardone

$\text{♩} = 100$

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 Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **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-low-ed 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.

(please remain standing)

Agnus Dei – Mass of St. Cedd

Peter Nardone

$\text{♩} = 72$

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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.

mp

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,

pp rit.

grant us peace, grant us peace.

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." If you require a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest.

(please be seated)

Communion Motet – The Best of Rooms

Robert Lehman

Trio Christ, He requires still, wheresoe'er He comes
To feed or lodge, to have the best of rooms:
Give Him the choice; grant Him the nobler part
Of all the house: the best of all's the heart.

- Robert Herrick
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Prayer after Communion

(please stand as you are able)

Presider Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing

Presider May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, and the blessing of God almighty, the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifying Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

(please be seated)

(please stand as you are able)

Closing Hymn – In Christ there is No East or West - CP #484

MCKEE

All	1. Christ there is no east or west, In Christ no south or north, But one great fellowship of love Throughout the whole wide earth.	3. Join hands disciples of the faith, Whate'er your race may be. Who serves my God in truth and love Is surely kin to me.
	2. In Christ shall true hearts ev'rywhere Their high communion find; Whose service is the golden cord Close-binding humankind.	4. In Christ now meet both east and west, In Christ meet south and north; All faithful souls are joined in one Throughout the whole wide earth.

Text: J. Oxenham

Music: African-American Spiritual, adapt. H.T. Burleigh

Dismissal

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude Toccata in F, P. 463

Johann Pachelbel

Assisting with the Liturgy

Presider: Rev. Alison Falby

Preacher: Rev. Christine Lambert

Director of Music & Organist: Dr. Stefani Bedin

Vocal Trio:

Emily Ding, Julia Barber, Peter Warren

Crucifer: Sunkanmi Kazeem

Subdeacon: Elsa Jones

Reader: John Clarke

Prayers of the People: Melissa Walter

Warden on Duty: Katherine MacDonald

Sidesperson / Greeter: John Goodwin

Welcome Team:

Winnie Tang, Amy Leung

Verger: Rikk Scapillato

Livestream Technician: Zongfan Li

Next Week's Worship Preview:

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost – August 30, 2026 at 10:30 am

Readings: Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Alison Falby

Hymns: The Living God Be Praised | Take Up Your Cross | In the Cross of Christ, I Glory

Vocal Duets: L.J. White - Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester |

Handel - *O Lovely Peace* from *Judas Maccabeus*

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.

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

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