



St. George on Yonge
Anglican

September 4, 2022

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. –Sung Eucharist

Welcome

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Please ask an usher for assistance*



The Gathering of the Community

Organ Prelude

Processional Hymn #300 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

Translation from Latin by John Mason Neale

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| 1 Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one, holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone. | 4 Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain, what they gain from thee forever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign. |
| 2 All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody, God the One-in-Three adoring in glad hymns eternally. | 5 Laud and honour to the Father, laud and honour to the Son, laud and honour to the Spirit, ever three, and ever one, one in might and one in glory, while unending ages run. |
| 3 To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today; with thy wonted loving-kindness, hear thy servants as they pray; and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway. | |

Greeting and Collect for Purity

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Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

People 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.

Glory to God [Hymn #686]

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Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

People and peace to his people on earth.

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

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.

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.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Reader A reading from the book of Jeremiah

¹The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: ²"Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." ³So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. ⁴The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

⁵Then the word of the Lord came to me: ⁶Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. ⁷At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, ⁸but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. ⁹And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, ¹⁰but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. ¹¹Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 139:1-5,12-17

- 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me;
 you know my sitting down and my rising up;
 you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places
 and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
 but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before
 and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
 it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts;
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvellously made;
 your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you,
 while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
 all of them were written in your book;
 they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
 how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
 to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

God of mystery and power, even our minds and hearts are the veils and signs of your presence. We come in silent wonder to learn the way of simplicity, the eternal road that leads to love for you and for your whole creation. We come as your Son Jesus Christ taught us, and in his name. Amen.

Second Reading:

Philemon 1–21

Reader A reading from the Letter of Paul to Philemon.

- ¹ Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, ² to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:
³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
⁴ When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God ⁵ because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. ⁶ I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. ⁷ I have

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indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

⁸ For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty,
⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man,
 and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. ¹⁰ I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus,
 whose father I have become during my imprisonment. ¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you,
 but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. ¹² I am sending him, that is, my own
 heart, back to you. ¹³ I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in
 your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; ¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without
 your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced.
¹⁵ Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have
 him back for ever, ¹⁶ no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—
 especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. ¹⁸ If he has
 wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. ¹⁹ I, Paul, am
 writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your
 own self. ²⁰ Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in
 Christ. ²¹ Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even
 more than I say.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Acclamation “Hallelujah”

Holy Gospel:

Luke 14:25-33

Subdeacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Subdeacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

²⁵ Now large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶ “Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple.” ²⁷ Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸ For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it?

²⁹ Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰ saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹ Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider

whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

A time for silent reflection is kept.

The Apostles' Creed

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

People **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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Confession and Absolution

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Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People **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.

Celebrant 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

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Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #431 "Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said"

Text by Charles William Everest

- 1 Take up your cross, the Saviour said,
if you would my disciple be;
deny yourself, the world forsake,
and humbly follow after me.
- 2 Take up your cross; let not its weight
fill your weak soul with vain alarm;
his strength shall bear your spirit up,
and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
- 3 Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
and let your foolish pride be still;
your Lord for you endured to die
upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.
- 4 Take up your cross, then, in his
strength,
and calmly every danger brave:
'twill guide you to a better home
and lead to victory o'er the grave.
- 5 Take up your cross and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Lord's Day

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

People **we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant 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 sons and daughters; 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. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer [Michael Leach]

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People **Our Father in heav'n, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread #4

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Celebrant "I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

People **Give us this bread for ever.**

Celebrant "I am the vine, you are the branches."

People **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

People **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.**

The Communion

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Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

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Communion Hymn #487 "Where Charity and Love Prevail"

Text from Latin (9th century); translation by Omer Westendorf

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| 1 Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound. | 4 Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease; be his the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace. |
| 2 With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in return. | 5 Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son; as members of his body joined, we are in him made one. |
| 3 Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; and let us love each other well in Christian holiness. | 6 Love can exclude no race or creed if honoured be God's name; our common life embraces all whose Father is the same. |

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Doxology [Michael Leach]

People **Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more, infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen, Amen.**

Blessing

Prayer for Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dismissal

Subdeacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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Recessional Hymn #351 "Rejoice in God, All Earthly Lands"

Psalm 100; paraphrase by Ruth Duck

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| 1 Rejoice in God, all earthly lands, and lift your hands in song and prayer. Delight to live by God's commands; sing joyful praises everywhere. | 3 Like sheep, we wander without aim unless our shepherd's voice is heard. In trust we call upon God's name for daily bread and gracious word. |
| 2 Know this: we serve the Holy One, to whom our restless souls belong. We have our breath through God alone, to whom we raise our grateful song. | 4 On God, our Maker, we depend for love that's gracious, strong, and sure. God's faithfulness shall never end; from age to age it shall endure. |

Please join us for Lemonade on the lawn following the service.

Today's Scripture Readings

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Psalm 139:1-5,12-17

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14:25-33

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28

Psalm 14

1 Tim 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week . . .

Congregation Cycle

Wilson N

Edwin N

Cliff O and family

Azibola O

Godfrey O

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| Celebrant & Preacher | The Rev. Leonard Leader | Altar Guild | Nancy Dodsworth |
| Subdeacon | Margie Lyttle | Usher | Ann-Marie Waithe Powell, |
| Reader | Hazel Perkin | Duty Warden | Doug Heyes |
| Videographer | Egan Done | Lemonade on the Lawn Host | Ann-Marie Waithe Powell |
| Organist | Michael Leach | | |
| Intercessor | Geraldine Sperling | | |

Territorial Acknowledgement

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee) and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

COVID instructions

The Common Cup is an important symbol in our Anglican tradition. It has been emphasized that receiving the consecrated bread alone is complete in itself, so those who aren't comfortable drinking from the Common Cup don't need to. The cup is now being offered to people who wish to return to drinking from the Common Cup.

For the time being, the parish leadership has decided to continue contact tracing, and ask that we continue wearing masks for the safety of others.

Please follow the Priest's and Usher's instructions for the service; and be respectful of everyone's comfort level with physical distancing and contact.

Thank you for joining us. Stay Safe