

# May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. – Sung Eucharist

# Welcome

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### The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #428 "God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness"

Text by Walter Henry Farquharson

- God who gives to life its goodness, God creator of all joy, giver of all human freedom, God who blesses tool and toy: teach us now to laugh and praise you, deep within your praises sing, till the whole creation dances for the goodness of its King.
- 2 God who fills the earth with beauty, God who binds each friend to friend, giver of all human talent, God who wills that chaos end: grant us now creative spirts, minds responsive to your mind, hearts and wills your rule extending, all our acts by love refined.

### **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.

### **Greeting and Collect for Purity**

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*Celebrant* May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy.

Celebrant Almighty God,

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

Glory to God [Hymn #686]

*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.

### **Collect of the Day**

Celebrant Let us pray.

PeopleMerciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond<br/>imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you<br/>above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can<br/>desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the<br/>Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Acts 10:44–48 Craig Robertson

*Reader* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup> The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup> for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup> "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup> So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

### **Refrain:**

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

- Yahweh's people dance for joy.
   O come before the Lord and play for him on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound.
- Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Saviour now has come.
   He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.

### Refrain

 Glad my soul, for I have seen the glory of the Lord.
 The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.
 I know my Saviour lives.

### Refrain

Second Reading:

*Reader* A reading from the First Letter of John.

<sup>1</sup> Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. <sup>2</sup> By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. <sup>3</sup> For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, <sup>4</sup> for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. <sup>5</sup> Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn #324 "Hallelujah"

Holy Gospel:John 15:9–17Margie LyttleSubdeaconThe Lord be with you.Margie LyttlePeopleAnd also with you.Margie LyttleSubdeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

I John 5:1–6 Craig Robertson

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Refrain

<sup>9</sup> "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Subdeacon The Gospel of Christ. People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Vinaya Dumpala

A time for silent reflection is kept.

### **The Nicene Creed**

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

*People* 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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Let us pray to the Lord. People Hear us, Lord of glory!

### **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.

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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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Text by Charles Wesley

- *Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- People And also with you.

### The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn #486 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

- Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
- Come, almighty to deliver; let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
   Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee, changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

### The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city People of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. Amen.

### **Eucharistic Prayer #3**

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**Proper Preface Easter** 

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

*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; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

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

Leach

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 #8

*Celebrant* Lord, we died with you on the cross.

*People* Now we are raised to new life.

*Celebrant* We were buried in your tomb.

*People* Now we share in your resurrection.

*Celebrant* Live in us, that we may live in you.

Lamb of God [Michael Leach]

PeopleLamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:<br/>have mercy on us, have mercy on us.<br/>Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:<br/>have mercy on us, have mercy on us.<br/>Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:<br/>grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

**The Communion** 

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Chalice Bearer: Craig Robertson

Today being the first Sunday of the month, we will offer the prayer ministry of Anointing. If you would like to receive this ministry, please proceed to the anointing desk at the back of the church and then come forward to receive Communion.

### Communion Hymn #572 "Let There Be Light"

- Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face;
- open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;
- 3 Perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;

hallow our love,
 hallow the deaths of martyrs,
 hallow their holy freedom,
 hallowed be thy name.

- 5 thy kingdom come, thy spirit turn to language, thy people speak together, thy spirit never fade;
- 6 let there be light,open our hearts to wonder,perish the way of terror,hallow the world God made.

Text by Frances Wheeler Davis

### **Prayer after Communion**

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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

Recessional Hymn #374 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

- Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, his the throne; alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.
   Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus, out of every nation, hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 2 Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; alleluia! he is near us,

faith believes, nor questions how. Though the cloud from sight received him,

when the forty days were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise,

"I am with you evermore"?

Text by William Chatterton Dix

- 3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven, thou on earth our food, our stay; alleluia! here the sinful flee to thee from day to day; Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own; alleluia! born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne.
  Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great high

priest;

thou on earth both priest and victim in the eucharistic feast.

### Repeat stanza 1

DismissalSubdeaconAlleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia!

### Please join us for refreshments following the service.

Today's Scripture Readings	Next Sunday's Scripture Readings	
Sixth Sunday of Easter	Seventh Sunday of Easter	
Acts 10:44-48	Acts 1:15-17,21-26	
Psalm 98	Psalm 1	
1 John 5:1-6	1 John 5:9-13	
John 15:9-17	John 17:6-19	

We Remember in Prayer Today and This Week ...

### **Congregation Cycle**

Sam & Julie T / Sandy T & Cameron / Deborah T / Michael S & Michelle T / Joy U

Celebrant & Preacher		Crucifer	Philip Tindan
The Rev. Vinaya Dumpala		Videographer	Egan Done
Subdeacon & anointer		Altar Guild	Maggie Sumner
Margie Lyttle		Ushers	Ann-Marie Waithe Powell,
Intercessor	Geraldine Sperling		Hazel Perkin
Chalice Bearer	Craig Robertson	Duty Warden	Craig Robertson
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