



**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**SUNDAY, MAY 9, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M.**

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# Welcome

Steven Mackison

Opening Hymn: #648 (Common Praise) "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

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1. O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your work be - gin,  
2. Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; O lead us on the nar - row way,  
3. O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good word in doubt and strife



and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine,  
with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead - fast - ness, that we  
be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith - ful un - to death



a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength in us up - well - ing.  
may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat - ter who de - rides us.  
and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you true wis - dom learn - ing.



In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is giv - en ov - er - flow - ing,  
Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some to - ken you are near us,  
Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your pow - er Christ con - fess - ing,



gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.  
whom we trust to light and cheer us.  
we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

Text: Michael Schirmer (1606-1673); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), adapt. Music: Melody Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); harm. Johann Hermann Schein (1586-1630)

## ✠ The Easter Greeting

Steven Mackison

*Priest:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Priest:* He has laid down his life, in love, for us.

*People:* **That we may love one another.**

The Gloria:

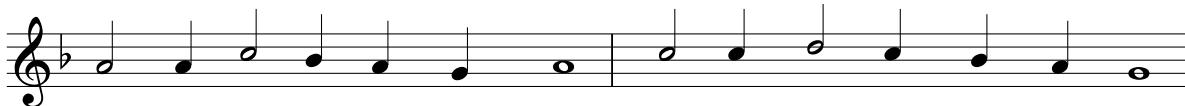
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1. Glo - ry, in the high - est glo - ry, peace to all, in all their days.  
2. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Lamb of God, for sin - ners given,



Wor - ship, thanks, and praise un - ceas - ing to the Source of all we raise:  
Word e - ter - nal, born of Ma - ry, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:



reign - ing in the sap - phire height, hid - den from our mor - tal sight,  
ho - ly one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,



now re - ceive our a - dor - a - tion, as we make our sup - pli - ca - tion.  
with the Spir - it there u - nit - ed, and the God - head high ex - alt - ed.

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## The Collect of the Day

Steven Mackison

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

*All:* **Amen.**

## First Reading

Craig Spielmacher

*Reader:* A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. 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, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

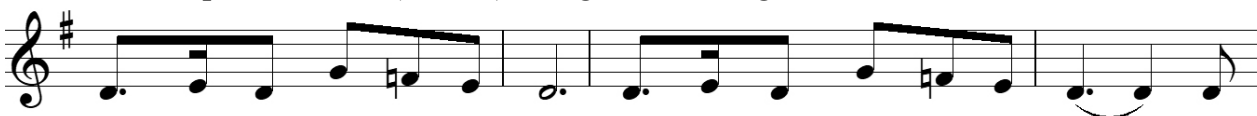
Acts 10.44-48

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

Psalm 98 Paraphrase: #521 (Gather) "Sing a New Song to the Lord"

*Screen share*



1. Sing a new song to the Lord, He to whom won - ders be - long! Re -
2. Now to the ends of the earth See his sal - va - tion is shown; And
3. Sing a new song and re - joice, Pub - lish his prais - es a - broad! Let
4. Join with the hills and the sea Thun - ders of praise to pro - long! In



joice in his tri - umph and tell of his power, O sing to the  
still he re - mem - bers his mer - cy and truth, Un - chang - ing in  
voi - ces in cho - rus, with trum - pet and horn, Re - sound for the  
judge - ment and jus - tice he comes to the earth, O sing to the



Lord a new song!  
love to his own.  
joy of the Lord!  
Lord a new song!

## Second Reading

Ron Waldie

*Reader:* A Reading from the First Letter of John.

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

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

1 John 5.1-6

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*A moment of silence is observed*

Sequence Hymn: #699 (Gather) "We Have Been Told"

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### Refrain



We have been told, we've seen his face, and heard his voice a - live in our hearts;



"Live in my love with all your heart, as the Fa-ther has loved me, so

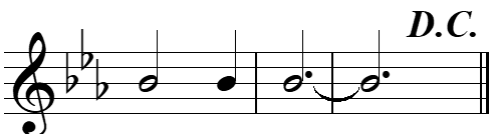


I have loved you."

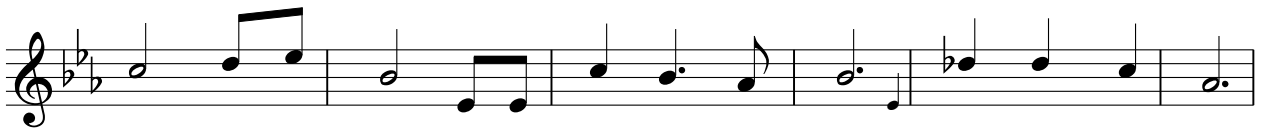
### Verses



1. "I am the vine, you are the branch-es, and all who live in me will



bear great fruit."



2. "You are my friends, if you keep my com - mands, no long - er slaves,  
3. "No great - er love is there than this: to lay down one's life,



I call you friends."  
for a friend."

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## The Gospel

*Susan Haig*

*Reader:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

*Reader:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*All:* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. 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. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. 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. 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. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ.

John 15.9-17

*All:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily:** Steven Mackison

*A moment of silence is observed.*

Meditation: "God Be in My Head" (Judith Bingham)

Screen share

God be in my head, and in my understanding.  
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking.  
God be in my heart and in my thinking.  
God be at mine end,  
And in my departing.

Hymn: #434 (Common Praise) "The Love of Jesus Calls Us"

Screen share



1. The love of Je-sus calls us our joy - ous praise to sing; our deep - ly felt thanks-
2. The love of Je-sus calls us, that we may al - ways be com-pan - ions on a
3. The love of Je-sus calls us to go where he would go, to chal-lenge all that
4. The love of Je-sus calls us in swift - ly chang-ing days, to be God's co - cre-



giv - ings we now to - geth - er bring, for all God's man - y  
jour - ney, where all the world may see that serv - ing Christ is  
lim - its, to change, to learn, to grow, to know that Christ has  
a - tors in new and won - drous ways; that God with men and



bles - sings, un - asked yet still re - ceived, and for the gen - er -  
free - dom which time does not des - troy; where Christ's com - mand is  
freed us, that pris - ons are no more; for those who seek his  
wom - en may so trans - form the earth, that love and peace and



a - tions who faith - ful - ly be - lieved.  
du - ty, and ev - ery du - ty joy.  
king - dom, Christ o - pens ev - ery door.  
jus - tice may give God's king - dom birth.

## The Prayers of the People

Carol Scovil

*Leader:* Knowing God's love and affection for us, let us pray to God now.  
Gracious God, wherever there is friction and conflict in the Church,  
and communities are divided and weakened;  
give us a deeper longing for your healing  
and a stronger commitment to forgiving love.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box*

Help us, Lord:

**All: To love one another.**

*Leader:* Gracious God, wherever tangled political situations  
seem impossible to solve,  
wherever conflicting interests threaten the environment;  
wherever the ears of the powerful  
remain insulated against the cries of the oppressed;  
give us ears to hear your guidance.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box*

Help us, Lord:

**All: To love one another.**

*Leader:* Gracious God, wherever families are broken  
or children are in danger;  
wherever poverty is present,  
affecting the health and self-respect of the vulnerable;  
let your kingdom come.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box*

Help us, Lord:

**All: To love one another.**

*Leader:* Gracious God, wherever the ill and injured  
need comfort and assistance;  
wherever the frail and housebound  
languish in isolation;  
may we bring aid and compassion.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box*

Help us, Lord:

**All: To love one another.**



*Leader:* Gracious God, wherever people are making  
that last journey toward death,  
may they be surrounded by your love  
and welcomed into your embrace,  
and may those who mourn be comforted.

*A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box*

Help us, Lord:

***All:* To love one another.**

*Leader:* Holy One, wherever the beauty of creation  
reflects your love,  
may our hearts be lifted to you  
in thanks and praise.  
This we pray for the sake  
Or the Redeemer, Jesus Christ.

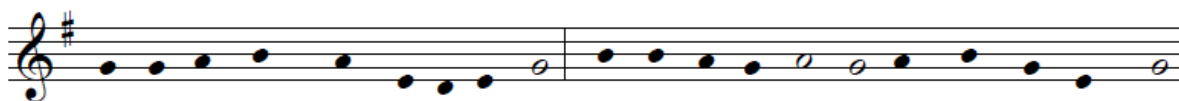
***All:* Amen.**

# The Lord's Prayer

Priest:

All:

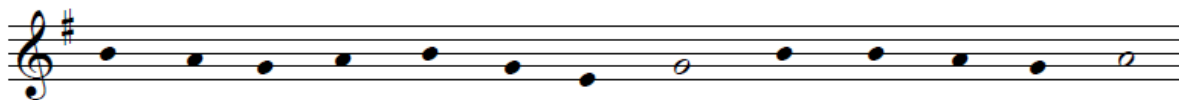
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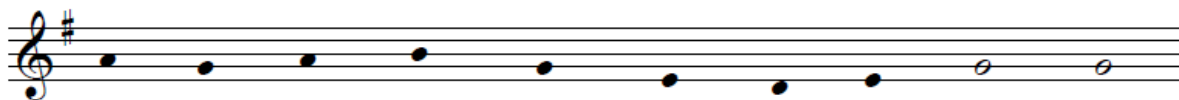
As our Sa-viour taught us let us pray. Our Fa-ther in heav-en hal-lowed be your name,



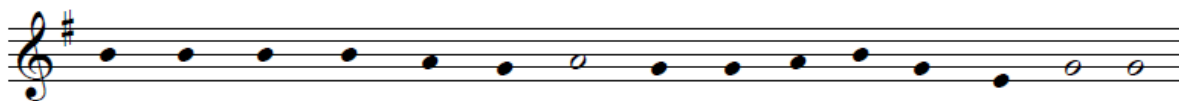
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.



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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## The Doxology

*Steven Mackison*

*Priest:* Glory to God,

*All:* **whose power working in us  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus  
for ever and ever. Amen**

Hymn: #210 (Common Praise) "Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son" *Screen share*



1. Yours be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son: end - less is the  
2. See! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he  
3. No more we doubt you, glo - rious Prince of life: what is life with-



vic - tory o - ver death you won. An - gels robed in splen - dour  
greet us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness  
- out you? Aid us in our strife; make us more than con-querors



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord is liv - ing;  
through your death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan



where your bo - dy lay.  
death has lost its sting!  
to your home a - bove.

**Refrain**



À toi la gloi-re, O Res- sus-ci - té! À toi la vic - toi-re pour l'é-ter-ni-



- té!

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## The Blessing

Steven Mackison

*Priest:* May the God of new life,  
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,  
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life.  
And may the blessing of God,  
Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier  
be amongst you and remain with you always.

*People:* **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

Susan Haig

*Priest:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

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## Ministry Updates

### Rock Eucharist at 7PM

Join in tonight at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom for the next Rock Eucharist contemporary popular songs that are chosen to illuminate the Bible readings are woven into this service. The link can be found in Friday's edition of eNews.

### Compline at 8 PM

Compline is a Christian tradition of bedtime prayers. These traditional prayers unveil God's grace in all of our endings - the day's end, the week's end, and our last nightfall.

Join in through Zoom at 8 PM each Sunday night for about 20 minutes. The link can be found in each Friday's eNews.

## Voices For Peace

Voices for Peace explores the radical Christian praxis of peace and non-violence. Redeemer, along with Citizens for Public Justice, the Henri Nouwen Society, the Basilian Centre for Peace and Justice, and the Canadian Council of Churches, sponsors the conference.

This year, in lieu of a residential conference, so we are hosting three webinars with the theme Radical Hope: Radical Resistance. Our speakers will explore the connections of peacemaking to ecology, reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and opposition to nuclear weapons development.

June 16, 7 PM: Terry Leblanc. "Retelling our Theological Narrative." (Reconciliation)

September 16, 7 PM: John Dear. Title TBA (Nuclear disarmament)

Tickets are \$15 + tax/event. Registration for the event is available [here](#).

## Youth Ministry: Sacred Water Sharing Circle

Next **Sunday May 16th** from 11:15 AM -12 PM on Zoom, all kids, youth and families are invited to sacred water sharing circle led by Mississauga Ojibwe Elder Dorothy Taylor from Curve Lake First Nation.

Dorothy will share traditional teachings about the sacredness of water, tell the creation story and offer ways that we can all protect and live in harmony with water. She is also a singer and drummer and will teach us a traditional Ojibwe song about water! This is a wonderful opportunity and we are looking forward to sharing it with you all!

The link will be sent out in the weekly youth communication, or you can email [hkeachie@theredeemer.ca](mailto:hkeachie@theredeemer.ca)

## Pentecost Celebration Video

Pentecost (the birthday of the church!) is on Sunday May 23rd and we would LOVE for you to dress in fiery colours and take a video of yourself (perhaps with your partner or family!) parading in your neighbourhood, backyard or even around your house!

Here are the details:

- please dress in red, orange, or yellow and/or wave a scarf, streamers, or anything festive you have at home!
- please take a 20-30 second video in **landscape** mode

- music will be added to the video montage afterward so please don't worry about the audio
- please send the video to Hilary at [hkeachie@theredeemer.ca](mailto:hkeachie@theredeemer.ca) by **Sunday May 16th**

## **Vaccinations**

If you would like assistance, or know of anyone in our community who would benefit from assistance, registering for a vaccination or travelling to and from their appointment, the Pastoral Care Team is here to help. Please contact Susan at [shaig@theredeemer.ca](mailto:shaig@theredeemer.ca).

## **Pastoral Care Team Checking In**

The Pastoral Care Team and its volunteers have been calling and continue to call, members of the Redeemer Community to check in with them regarding how they are doing during this pandemic.

Due to the ongoing isolation and disconnectedness, if you know of anyone who would benefit from a call from our Pastoral Care Team, that has not been receiving a call, please contact Tony Crosbie at [tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca](mailto:tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca).

## **Intercessions**

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern in chat. If you have people or situations that you would like included in the service but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a prayer request form on the website. These will be added to the intercessions in the appropriate petition. You can find the form [here](#).

## **Parish Cycle of Prayer**

Each month a cycle of prayer is available [online](#). This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

## **Future Ministry Updates**

For all future announcement or ministry updates, please email [twilliams@theredeemer.ca](mailto:twilliams@theredeemer.ca) by Wednesday each week for your contribution to be included in the following Sunday bulletin.

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