



THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M. The Church of the Redeemer: 162 Bloor St. West, Toronto, ON M5S 1M4 office@theredeemer.ca • Tel: (416) 922 4948 • www.theredeemer.ca

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

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H The Gathering of the Community

- *Priest:* 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.

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Gloria: #344 (Gather) "Gloria"

Screen share



Glo-ria, glo-ria, glo-ria en las al-tur-as a Dios! Glo-ry, glo-ry, glo-ry, glo-ry be to God on high!



Yen la tie-rra paz pa-ra a-que - ll - os que a - ma el Se - nor. And on ea-rth peace to the peo-ple in whom God is well pleased. TEXT: Luke 2:14. MUSIC: Pablo Sosa, 1990.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: God of Moses, who rained down bread on Israel's wandering people: lead us to the food that never leaves us craving, but fills our whole humanity with life enough for all; through Jesus Christ, the true bread of heaven.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Reader: A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man.

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Abigail Ann Young

He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb four fold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity." Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

Reader:The word of the Lord.All:Thanks be to God.





and opened the doors of heaven. You rained down manna for them to eat, and gave them the grain of heaven. **Refrain**

So mortals ate the bread of angels; you sent them food in abundance. You made the east wind blow from heaven, and brought in the south wind through your power. **Refrain**



You rained food upon them as thick as dust, winged birds like the sand of the sea. You let it fall in the midst of the camp, all around the tents where they dwelt. So the people ate, and had their fill, for you had given them what they craved. **Refrain**

Second Reading

Jean Bubba

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Reader:The word of the Lord.All:Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 4.1-16 A moment of silence is observed Sequence Hymn: #749 (Gather) "In Christ There is a Table Set For All"

Screen share



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.

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.".

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.*All:* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 6.24-35

Homily: Nate Wall

A moment of silence is observed.

Meditation: "Sourp Sourp" (Komitas)

Sourp Dér zo rou tyants Li yén yér gink yév yér gir parok ko Orh nou tyun ee partsoons Orh nyal vor yergir yév kalotstés an vamp dyarn Ovsanna I partsoons. Screen share

Holy Holy Lord of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Blessings in the highest. Blessed art thou that didst come and art to come In the name of the Lord Hosanna in the highest

Hymn: #774 (Gather) "Shall We Gather at the River"



Screen share

Gath-er with the saints at the riv-er That flows by the throne of God.

TEXT: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899. TUNE: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899.

The Prayers of the People

Leader: The bidding and response is: God, open the door of Heaven. We give thanks for all blessings and good things in our lives, large and small. We name them now, aloud, in the chat, and in our hearts.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

Leader: We pray for our country, and all in leadership.

John, our Mayor and our city councillors,

Stacey, Chief of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the band council, Doug, our Premier, Justin, our Prime Minister, and Elizabeth, our Queen.

We hold up to you especially our new governor general, Mary,

as she begins her term.

Grant all these wisdom, courage, and a thirst for what is right.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

Leader: We pray for the church.

You have rained blessings down on us, and filled us with good things. Give us the grace to know this,

and guide us to wholeness where we have done wrong.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

Leader: We pray for the Earth.

As floods and fires strike fear in us, inspire us to action.

Create a hunger in us for repair, sustainability, and harmony with creation.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

Leader: We pray for reconciliation.

May all the peoples of Canada be reconciled to one another, and all harm cease. May justice reign, love reign, and peace, friendship, and respect bring us to right relationship.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

Leader: We pray for the sick and all who care for them. Build them up in love, and promote their health and healing, in their mortal bodies and in their immortal souls. We name the sick now, aloud, in the chat, and in our hearts.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

Leader: We pray for the dead.

Gather them into your eternal reign, and comfort those left behind. We name them now, aloud, in the chat, and in our hearts.

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

Leader: God,

All: Open the door of Heaven

- Leader: God, you expose truth before the sun, and in the holy darkness. Sate our hunger and slake our thirst for goodness. We ask this through Jesus, the Bread of Life.
- All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray. Our Father in heaven, All: hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. 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 Doxology

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

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Hymn: #549 (Gather) "You Are the Voice"



TEXT: David Haas, b. 1957. MUSIC: David Haas, b. 1957; acc. by Jeanne Cotter, b. 1964. 1983, 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Blessing

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Priest: May the God whose presence gives life to the world sustain you on your journey as you strive to do God's will. And may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier be amongst you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal

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Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!*People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Ministry Updates

A Message from Our Incumbent

Dear Friends,

As you know, the diocese has allowed for a return to in-person worship since the province eased restrictions several weeks ago. We announced at that time, that we would regather in the church when it was safe to do so. One of the problems was the status of case counts, variants, and vaccinations. Fortunately, they have all been trending in the right direction. The other issue was our air handling system which was no longer functioning. Fortunately, we have contracted to have those units replaced and renewed. The work won't be complete before our first in-person-worship offering, but John Sutton – our property Chair is confident that we can return safely in mid-September.

To prepare for Regathering:

- We did extensive planning for Regathering in September 2020. We learned a lot from the eight weeks we were able to offer in-person worship.
- We fine-tuned our procedures around preparing the space with cleaning and safety protocols.
- We carefully coordinated bookings, arrivals and departures.
- We reverently attended to how we celebrated and offered the eucharist, music, everything we could imagine.

So we were confident when we started planning - this time around - that our practices and procedures were safe and sound.

Two weeks ago staff, leadership, and volunteers met for a few hours to think through Regathering 2021. We realized that, even though we were eager to return to in-person worship, there was much from the past 14 months - on Zoom, live stream, and recorded offerings - that we wanted to carry forward.

What kept coming up was how much we enjoyed being together as one community on Zoom. Folks from 8am, 9:30, 11:15, and 7pm had the opportunity to be in community in an intentional way. We had the experience of being one flock in worship and that's something we wanted to celebrate.

However, there was also a sense that we missed the distinct liturgical styles and musical expressions of all our Sunday offerings, particularly as they were expressed at the 9:30 and 11:15 liturgies. Keeping all that in balance, and given that we don't know what further restrictions or allowances might look like, this is what we came up with.

This is our <u>Regathering Plan for Worship</u>.

On a personal note, I will be on vacation for the month of August, but I leave you in the capable and compassionate hands of the Rev. Susan Haig, who will serve as priest-in-charge while I am away.

We look forward to seeing you in September!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Steven+

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 this week's eNews.

Reconciliation Mural Project

For over a year, the Indigenous Solidarity Working Group has been working to bring to fruition the **installation of a reconciliation mural** on the side of our church building along Avenue Road. A recent grant application to the city was not successful. As a result, other options for funding were sought because there was a deep desire in our community – particularly with the renewed focus on the harm that resulted from forced placement of Indigenous children in the residential schools – to have this project go forward.

At a special Vestry meeting on Tuesday, July 27, <u>the proposal</u> to raise the needed funds from within the community was approved. With the very generous offer of a matching grant from an anonymous donor (to a maximum for \$31,500) the budgeted amount of \$62,609.85 is an achievable goal.

Please consider making a donation to support this important public statement about reconciliation and reconciliaction with our Indigenous brothers, sisters and siblings. You can contribute by:

Mailing a cheque to the church

(note Indigenous Mural Project on the memo line) 162 Bloor Street West Toronto, ON M5S 1M4

Donate through CanadaHelps (select Indigenous Mural Project)

eTransfer, designated to the Indigenous Mural Project, sent from your bank account to the treasurer.

Thank you for your support of this wonderful project.

Season of Creation: Call for Photos

Redeemer Creatives: As you see God's creation over the summer with phone or camera in hand have our Season of Creation themes in mind - AIR - SOIL - WATER. The planning team is collecting your submissions for use in various ways throughout *Season of Creation*. (September 26 - October 16) **Share up to five of your best photos**, and be sure to include your name and contact information along with the photos.

The Common Table Fundraiser: Constantine Yorkville 5K Run

Are you ready to get out of the house and breathe some fresh air? Consider putting on your running or walking shoes to raise money for The Common Table. Once again we're honored to be a participating charity in The Constantine Yorkville 5K Run, and there are a few ways you can help make this fundraiser a success:

• **Register** as a runner or a walker - you can run or walk either virtually or in person this year

- Support a runner or walker in this year's event
- Pass along information about the event to avid runners and walkers in your life

The run will be on Sunday, Sep. 12 this year. For more information and to register for the run, visit <u>the race website</u>. If you have any questions about the run, please contact Amber Aulen at <u>amber.aulen@mail.utoronto.ca</u>.

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 <u>tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca</u>.

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.

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 <u>here</u>.

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available <u>online</u>. 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 <u>twilliams@theredeemer.ca</u> by Wednesday each week for your contribution to be included in the following Sunday bulletin.