



THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M.

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Welcome

Lyn Sibley

Land Acknowledgement

Susan Haig

Hymn: #755 (Gather) "Today I Awake"

Screen share



1. To - day I a - wake and God is be - fore me. At
2. To - day I a - rise and Christ is be - side me. He
3. To - day I af - firm the Spir - it with - in me At
4. To - day I en - joy the Trin - i - ty round me, A-



night, as I dreamt, he sum - moned the day; For
walked through the dark to scat - ter new light. Yes,
wor - ship and work, in strug - gle and rest. The
- bove and be - neath, be - fore and be - hind; The



God nev - er sleeps but pat - terns the morn - ing With
Christ is a - live, and beck - ons his peo - ple To
Spir - it in - spires all life which is chang - ing From
Mak - er, the Son, the Spir - it to - geth - er, They



TEXT: John L. Bell, b. 1949. MUSIC: SLITHERS OF GOLD, 11 10 11 10;
John L. Bell, b. 1949. 1989 Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent.

slith - ers of gold or glo - ry in gray.
hope and to heal, re - sist and in - vite.
fear - ing to faith, from bro - ken to blest.
called me to life and call me their friend.

✠ The Gathering of the Community

Susan Haig

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.**

Kyrie: #175 (Gather) “Kyrie Eleison”

Screen share

Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

The Collect of the Day

Susan Haig

Priest: Bread of heaven,
you feed us in the depths
of grief, sin and hostility.
Nourish us with your word
through the long hours of tears,
and in the dawning awareness
of our need for forgiveness,
so that we may be redeemed by your steadfast love.

All: **Amen.**

First Reading

Paul Rodger

Reader: A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the

young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man." The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

Reader: The word of the Lord.

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 15, 31-33

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 130 *(George Black)*

Chris Mayell

Refrain:



Our God shall re - deem us from all our sins.

Out of the depths have I called to you, O God:
God, hear my voice;
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication. **Refrain**

If you were to note what is done amiss,
O God, who could stand?
For there is forgiveness with you;
therefore you shall be feared. **Refrain**

I wait for you, O God, my soul waits for you;
in your word is my hope.
My soul waits for God, more than sentinels for the morning,
more than sentinels for the morning. **Refrain**

O Israel, wait for God,
the One with whom there is mercy;
With you, O God, there is plenteous redemption,
and you shall redeem Israel from all their sins. **Refrain**

Second Reading

Doug Smith

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

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them

labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Ephesians 4.25-5.2

All: **Thanks be to God.**

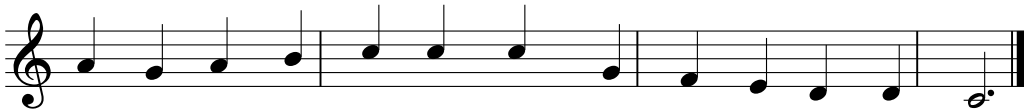
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Sequence Hymn: #778 (Gather) “’Tis Good, Lord, to be Here”

Screen share



1. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night; Your
2. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Your beau - ty to be - hold, Where
3. Ful - fill - er of the past! Prom - ise of things to be! We
4. Be - fore we taste of death, We see your king - dom come; We
5. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main; But



face and gar - ments, like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.
Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, Your mes - sen - gers of old.
hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied, And our re - demp - tion see.
long to hold the vi - sion bright, And make this hill our home.
since you bid us leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

TEXT: Luke 9.32-33; Joseph A. Robinson (1858-1933), alt. © Esme. D. E. Bird. MUSIC: Swabia, SM; Johann M. Speiss (1715-1772); adapt. by William H. Havergal (1793-1870).

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.

John 6.35, 41-51

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

Homily: Sylvia Keesmaat

A moment of silence is observed.

Hymn: #649 (Common Praise) “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Screen share



1. Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life a - new, that I may love what
2. Breathe on me, breath of God, un - til my heart is pure, un - til my will is
3. Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am whol-ly thine, un - til this earth - ly
4. Breathe on me, breath of God: so shall I nev - er die, but live with thee the



thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
 one with thine to do and to en - dure.
 part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
 per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889). Music: Robert Jackson (1840-1914).

The Prayers of the People

Karen Visser

Leader: As we gather together in prayer,
you are invited to add your prayers and thanksgivings in the pause,
whether silently, or in the chat.
Your response to the bidding, “I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,”
is “And in his word I hope.”

Leader: We pray for the church throughout the world.
We remember especially those churches where to speak the truth
to our neighbours invites persecution or repression.
Build up your church so that it may give grace to those who hear.
We acknowledge with sadness the times we have fallen short
in being kind, tender-hearted, forgiving, or imitators of God
in our relationships with one another.
We pray especially for our bishops, priests, and deacons, and those lay people
who exercise authority or responsibility among the people of God.

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

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

All: And in his word I hope.

Leader: We pray for the world.
We pray especially for those who exercise power politically and corporately.
Let no evil come out of their mouths, but only what is useful
in building your creation, your justice, your peace, your compassion.
We remember those peoples and countries which are ravaged
by war, famine, thirst, or other manifestations of climate change.

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

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

All: And in his word I hope.

Leader: We pray for this nation.
As Jesus has called himself the bread of life,
Canada has been called the breadbasket of the world.
Mindful of our material wealth, keep us a generous people,
distributing and sharing our resources justly, according to your will.
We remember our political leaders and all others
called to serve the common good.
We pray for our Governor General, the Prime Minister, the Premier,
and the mayor of this city.

Leader: We pray especially for communities in the west and in northern Ontario, who have been devastated by forest fires, and for our Indigenous communities ripped apart by the discovery of unmarked graves.

Remind us that their communities are also our community - that we are one in the Spirit.

Give us the strength to listen, to weep, to express our anger, and to work together for healing and reconciliation.

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

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

All: And in his word I hope.

Leader: We pray for our Redeemer community, as we celebrate our sesquicentennial. We acknowledge those times in our history where we have fallen short of your grace.

Be with us as we navigate a safe reopening of our building so that it may continue to be a sanctuary for all who are in need physically, mentally, or spiritually.

We pray for those in our community who are in need, those who are troubled, those who are sick, and those who care for all who are in need.

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

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

All: And in his word I hope.

Leader: Just as David wept for Absalom, so we weep for those who have died. We give thanks for their life and witness.

Those known to us, and those who have died alone.

Give comfort to the mourners. Bring them the healing balm of Gilead.

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

Leader: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

All: And in his word I hope.

Leader: We give thanks for all the blessings we enjoy.

For those who are travelling, keep them safe. For those on holiday, give them rest. For those about to start a new school, job or move to a new location, open their minds to adventure, new friendships, new opportunities.

Leader: We relish the chance to see family and friends
from whom we have been physically distanced for so long.
Be with us in the small celebrations of birthdays,
weddings, anniversaries, and lives lived.
Whether masked or unmasked, let our smiles radiate the joy
we long to have reciprocated.
All these prayers we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, the Living Bread of Life.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Susan Haig

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

All: **Our Father in heaven,
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

Susan Haig

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: Sizohamba naye (*Swaziland traditional*)

Screen share

Si - zo - ham - ba na - ye wo wo wo si - zo - ham - ba na - ye
See-zoh -hum- ba na - ye woh-woh-woh see - zoh - hum - ba na-ye

Ngom - hla wen - ja - bu - la, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye
Goom - shla wen - ja - boo - lah, see - zoh - hum - ba na - ye

The Blessing

Susan Haig

Priest: May the God who satisfies our hunger and thirst
 sustain us in our longing for the bread and wine of the world to come.
 And may the blessing of God,
 Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier
 be amongst you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Susan Haig

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

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

Our thanks go out to all who contribute financially to the Redeemer community. Our ability to continue to offer outreach support through the Common Table and maintain our rich and varied worship and program life is possible thanks to the generous donations of parishioners and friends of the community. For health and safety reasons, we would appreciate your donations via the "Online Donation" link below, where you will be redirected to the gifts section of our Website. Thank you for your generosity.

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Ministry Updates

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

The Indigenous Solidarity Working Group is grateful for the deep desire in our community to support an Indigenous-themed mural on the exterior west wall by Joseph Sagaj. Particularly with the renewed focus on the treatment of Indigenous children in the residential schools, this project affords the parish an opportunity to be creative, emphatic, and prophetic in the message such a mural can hold now and for years to come. Please [see the concept and plans](#) within the red boxes that is available on the church website.

The special Vestry meeting on July 27 approved raising the needed funds from within the community. With the very generous offer of a matching grant from an anonymous donor (to a maximum of \$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 "reconcili-action" 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 Canada Helps](#) (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 honoured 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 [the race website](#). If you have any questions about the run, please contact Amber Aulen at amber.aulen@mail.utoronto.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.

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 [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 by Wednesday each week for your contribution to be included in the following Sunday bulletin.
