THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

We are in the heart of downtown Toronto, and we gather to celebrate on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabe Nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Our beautiful building connects us to the rich heritage of our city while also drawing us deeper into the roots of our Anglican tradition. Just as the streetscape around us has evolved over the years, our members have changed to reflect the growing, vibrant and progressive Christian community found at the Redeemer today. We come from a variety of faith traditions (and sometimes no faith tradition at all), and we like it that way. We are students, workers, retired, homeless, not limited by sexual orientation, gender identity or personal history. We are at the very beginning of our life with Jesus, and we are deeply steeped in a life complicated by faith. We open our doors to worship God and to learn about Jesus, and how all of this might just transform our lives.

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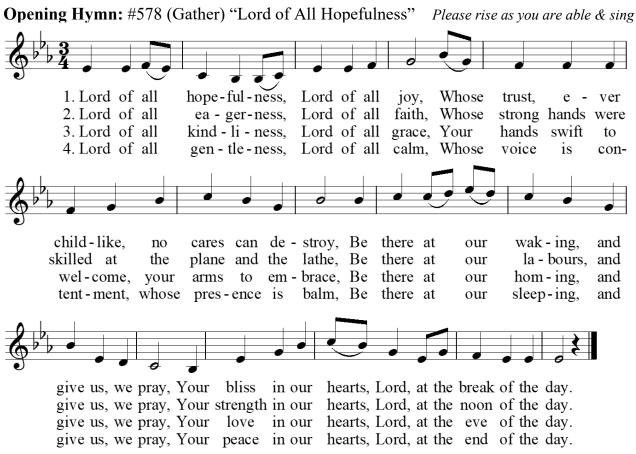


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Welcome

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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.

Kyrie Eleison

The Collect of the Day

Priest: Lord of gifts, share with us a hunger for the bread of your kingdom and give to us a yearning impatience with injustice; through Jesus Christ, our Jubilee. **Amen.**

First Reading

Please be seated

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

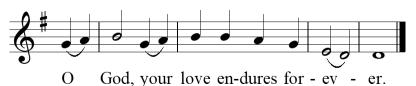
Then the LORD said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.'

So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the LORD said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?' And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

| Reader: | Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. | Genesis 18.20-32 |
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| All: | Thanks be to God. | A moment of silence is observed |

Psalm 138 (George Black)

Refrain:



I will give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise. I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your love and faithfulness; For you have glorified your name and your word above all things. **Refrain**

When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me. All who reign on earth will praise you, O God, when they have heard the words of your mouth. They will sing of your ways, that great is your glory, O God. **Refrain**

Though you be high, you care for the lowly; you perceive the haughty from afar. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me. You will make good your purpose for me; O God, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands. **Refrain**

Second Reading

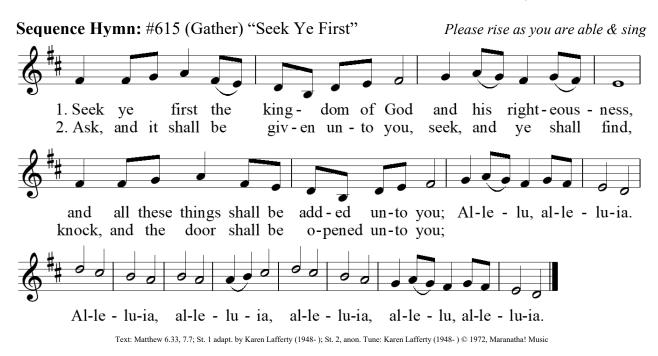
Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were

circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.*All:* Thanks be to God.

Colossians 2.6-15 A moment of silence is observed



The Gospel

- Priest: The Lord be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- *Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of

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

Homily: Jim Boyles

A moment of silence is observed.

The Prayers of the People

Leader: We gather today in prayer, for a conversation with God. We are blessed that we have the words that Jesus taught us, The Lord's Prayer, to have that conversation, knowing that in the Psalmist's words, 'your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever'.

Our Father in heaven, we give you thanks for your creation, for its beauty and mystery. We pray that we may revere the creation you have given us, that all we have is a gift from you.

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

The Lord will fulfil his purpose for us;

- *All:* Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
- *Leader:* Holy is your name. We pray for the church throughout the world. We pray particularly for Pope Francis and his upcoming trip to Canada. We pray for confidence to proclaim your Word, and for humility to repent where we have not fulfilled your will for us.

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

The Lord will fulfil his purpose for us;

All: Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

Please rise, as you are able

Luke 11.1-13

Please be seated

Leader: Give us each day our daily bread. We pray for the world. Remember those who are hungry, those who lack water, shelter, and the means to provide for themselves and their families. Be with the prisoner and the refugee. Give wisdom to elected authorities to recognize systemic inequity and implement structures and processes that allow all to share in your gifts.

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

The Lord will fulfil his purpose for us; Your steadfast love O Lord endures forev

- All: Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
- *Leader:* Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us. It's easy for us to say, 'we are sorry'. It's sometimes hard to say, 'we forgive'. Help us to overcome our pride and stubbornness. Open our hearts to the possibility of restored relationships. Lift us from the burden of guilt which can paralyse and poison. Enable us to move forward towards your new kingdom.

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

The Lord will fulfil his purpose for us;

All: Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

Leader: Save us from the time of trial. We pray for this community. We pray for those who are struggling with inadequate housing, who are undernourished, or underemployed. Be with those who are struggling with mental or physical pain or illness.

We give thanks for all medical personnel, social workers, mental health counsellors, family and friends who support those of us who are in need. We give thanks for the life and witness of those who have died.

Comfort those who are mourning.

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

The Lord will fulfil his purpose for us;

All: Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

- *Leader:* For this Lord's Prayer you have given us, for the conversation we have with you in all our prayers, for all the blessings we have received, for your steadfast love, O Lord, which endures forever, we say, 'Thank You', in the name of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ.
- All: Amen.

The Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you. *People:* And also with you.

During the singing of the hymn, we gratefully offer back to God some of what we have been given, symbolically in the bread and wine brought to the altar and in the money we give. If you would like to make a financial contribution to the ministry of the Church of the Redeemer, please place your offering on the plate as it is passed to you.

Offertory Hymn: #575 (Gather) "We Cannot Measure How You Heal"



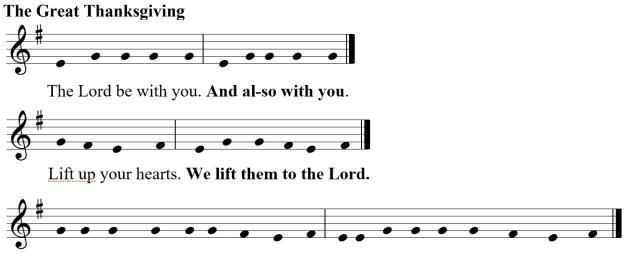


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✤ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

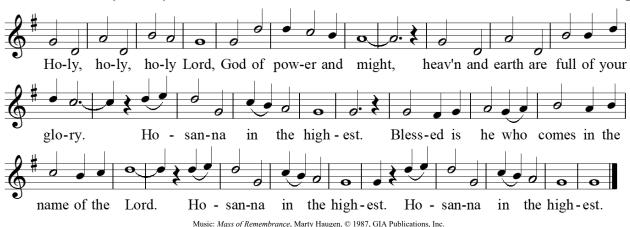
Priest: God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendour of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name, as we sing:

Sanctus: #201 (Gather)



All sing

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power; your mighty works reveal your Priest: wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Saviour. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfil your purpose he gave himself up to death and, rising from the grave, destroyed death and made the whole creation new. And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all. When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: at supper with them, he 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." Father, we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand,

awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

All: We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Priest: Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all the saints who have found favour with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.



The Lord's Prayer



For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A-men.

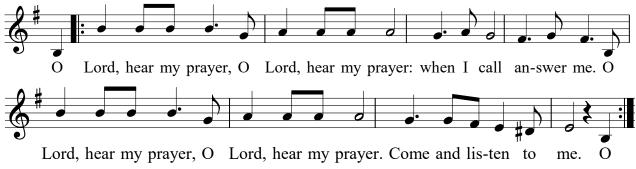
The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

- Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.
- People: Thanks be to God.

Fraction Hymn: #586 (Gather) "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"



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The Giving and Receiving of Communion

Priest: Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now.

For those of us participating at home, it is a strange experience to be invited to Communion – not through the physical bread and wine we can touch and taste – but a Spiritual Communion with the God who comes to meet us wherever we are.

There are no special words or prayers for this, all the Church has ever thought necessary is genuine true desire, lively faith, and genuine love. Come honestly before God the way you know how. You may wish to pray quietly this prayer to help you:

One: Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.
You wait for me and only I can let you in.
I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill me with your presence.
Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood,
that I may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.

The Communion

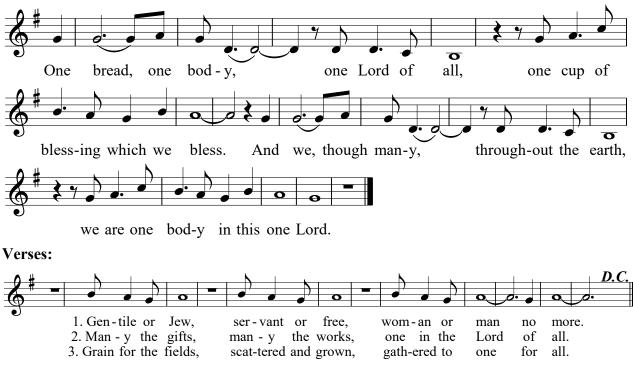


All in the church are invited to come forward to receive communion. If you need a glutenfree wafer, please indicate when you arrive at the communion station. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please cross your arms as shown in the picture on the left and the clergy will be pleased to offer you a blessing.

Communion Hymn: #830 (Gather) "One Bread, One Body"

All sing

Refrain:



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Prayer after Communion

Please rise as you are able

Priest: God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. Amen.

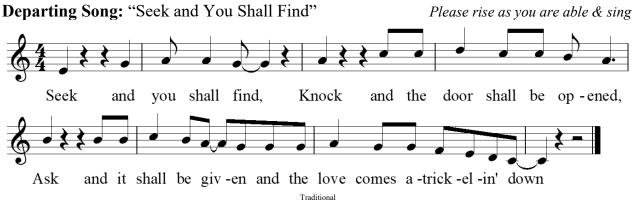
The Doxology

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

Announcements

Please be seated



The Dismissal

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ. 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

Worship and Spirituality

During the Week

Mid-day Prayer

Members of our community gather for mid-day prayer **Monday through Saturday** on Zoom at **12:15 PM**. For about 20 minutes we pause to hear scripture read and to pray for what's on our hearts and for the cares and concerns of the world. The Zoom link and list of readings are sent out each week through eNews. The order of service is <u>on our website</u> (theredeemer.ca).

Tuesday Meditation

Tuesday Meditation with Lilian Junkin gathers for 30 minutes in the chancel at **12:15 PM** for a peaceful mid-week reflection. If you have any other questions, please contact Lilian (<u>lilian.n.junkin@gmail.com</u>).

Prayer on Wednesday

Each Wednesday morning, a simple order for daily prayer is added to the parish website with a link shared on the Facebook page. This is an invitation to set aside time during the day to read scripture, to reflect and to offer prayers. The order of service for this coming Wednesday will be posted on the <u>website</u> (theredeemer.ca).

Garden Eucharist

The next Garden Eucharist is **Saturday**, **July 30 at 4 PM** near Yonge & Eglinton, a seven-minute walk from the Eglinton subway station. There is street parking if you drive. If you haven't come to one of our outdoor services, we would love to see you! Communion is given, our singers sing in the open air, and you won't be in an enclosed space. Contact Susan Haig (<u>shaig@theredeemer.ca</u>) for directions if needed.

On Sunday

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern. If you have people or situations that you would like included but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a <u>prayer request form</u> on the website (theredeemer.ca). These will be offered silently by one of the clergy during the appropriate petition of the intercessions.

Be Still

Continued uncertainty surrounding the pandemic and the spectre of war unabated in the world has added to the frenzied and hectic rhythm of our daily lives. It is time to Be Still.

From 5 to 8 PM on Sunday evenings the doors of the church will be open to offer those who enter an opportunity to be still, to pray, and to give over their cares to God during this time of spiritual rest and refreshment.

In the Community

Acting Priest-in-Charge During Steven Mackison's Vacation

Steven Mackison is on vacation for the month of July. Susan Haig is priest-in-charge until his return.

Coffee Time has Returned!

The post-service coffee time as part of our Zoom worship services has been an important part of connecting with one another. And now, those who join worship services at the church can linger for a time of conversation and coffee too, because coffee time is back!

Welcome Postcard

As a result of the communications consultation last month a new postcard has been developed. It is a small print run and will be evaluated in a few months. Comments are welcome by email (<u>communications@theredeemer.ca</u>) if you have thoughts you'd like to share.

Welcoming a New Honorary Assistant

The Church of the Redeemer community will be blessed with the addition of a new honorary assistant, **The Rev'd Margaret Rodrigues**. Margaret has been worshipping with us, both online and in the church, over the past few weeks and will be back in our midst in a few weeks' time. In addition to being scheduled as a preacher and presider from time to time, our deepening ministry to the Trans community will be one of the areas that Margaret shares gifts of support and guidance. A more complete biography (and a picture!) will be included in an upcoming edition of eNews. Welcome, Margaret!

Children, Youth and Families

As we move into summer, we are pausing our regular programming. Church school is on a break, and there are resources for you in church as you participate in worship. Our Youth group is also encouraged to join in worship throughout the summer. Hope to see you in July and August!

Over the summer, Pyjama Prayers (on Zoom) is taking a break while we dream and plan for new forms of family ministry in the fall. If you are a family with young children or youth interested in connecting with the church, please contact Andrew Kuhl (<u>akuhl@theredeemer.ca</u>).

Pastoral Care Calls

Volunteers from the pastoral care team continue to call members of the Redeemer community to check in with them. Please contact Tony Crosbie (<u>tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca</u>) if you know someone who would benefit from a call from one of the pastoral care team.

Opportunities to Contribute

Various opportunities to volunteer are re-emerging. Over the coming weeks we will highlight roles within the areas of our worship ministry and in our Common Table ministry. Please give some prayerful thought to where you feel called to serve with your time and abilities. Keep an eye on eNews and the bulletin!

De-escalation Training

Join staff and volunteers of the Common Table and Bloor-Yorkville businesses for a free, city sponsored two-hour De-Escalation Training webinar. Sign up for one of the dates here - <u>https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/city-of-toronto-economic-development-amp-culture-30949674731</u>

Bulletin Announcements

If you have an announcement you would like included in an upcoming bulletin, please send it to Marjorie Wrightson (<u>mwrightson@theredeemer.ca</u>) by Tuesday at 5 PM. Thank you.

Support Us

Last year was one where hopes for a return to life as it once was, seemed within reach and still not yet. Through it all, we have worshiped, learned, served and celebrated together. In the midst of on-going uncertainty, there is still much to be grateful for. If you have not already done so this year, please consider reviewing your financial support of our vital ministry. If your givings need to remain the same or be reduced - thank you for your continuing donations. Your gifts make a difference. If you have the capacity to increase your givings or to give for the first time, we are grateful.

- update your Pre-Authorized Remittance information or sign up for PAR. There is a form on the church website <u>www.theredeemer.ca/donate</u>
- online through CanadaHelps. There is a link on our website <u>www.theredeemer.ca/donate</u>
- e-transfer. Please contact the treasurer (<u>treasurer@theredeemer.ca</u>) for more information on how to do this.
- by cheque or cash on the collection plate when we gather for worship in the church

WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday, July 24 – 5:00-8:00 PM Be Still

Sunday, July 31 – 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM Sung Eucharist

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