



THE FEAST OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN: HOLY EUCHARIST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022 AT 11:15 A.M.

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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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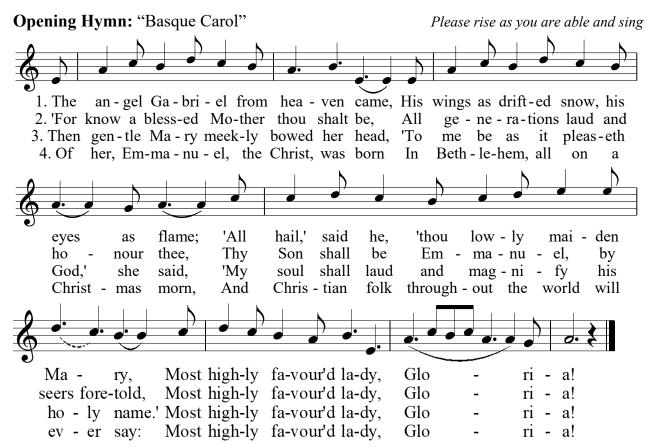


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Welcome

Land Acknowledgement



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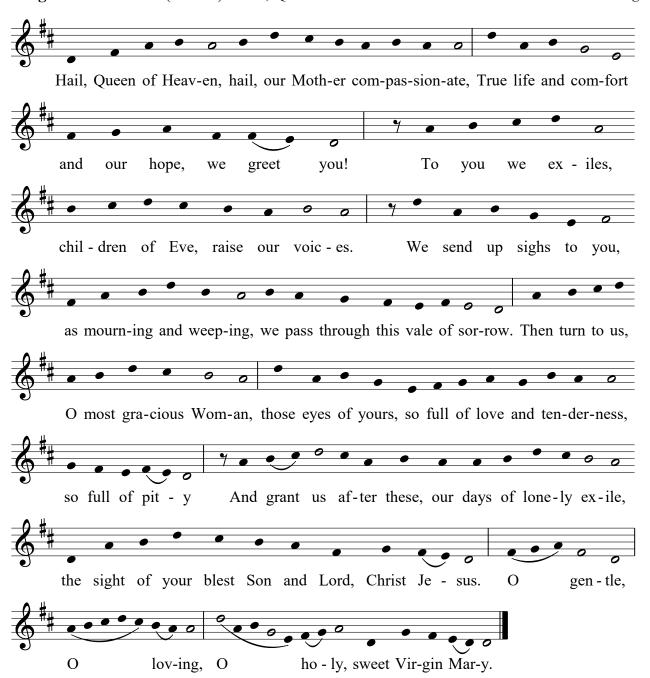
▼ The Gathering of the Community

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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The Collect of the Day

Priest: Mighty One,

whose power does not reside in fleshless lonely purity,

whose word is enwombed at the heart of creation:

we praise you for Mary,

whose hospitable "Yes" made a place for Love;

whose song of transformation makes thrones and rulers tremble;

whose prayer is heard because she is one of us;

through Jesus Christ, Mary's Child. Amen.

First Reading

Please be seated

Reader: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Isaiah 7.10-15

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 132.6-10, 13-14 (George Black)

Refrain:



A-rise, O God, in-to your rest-ing place.

"The Ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; we found it in the fields of Jearim.

Let us go to your dwelling place, O God;

let us fall upon our knees before your footstool." Refrain



A-rise, O God, in-to your rest-ing place.

Arise, O God, into your resting-place, you and the ark of your strength.

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; let your faithful people sing with joy.

For your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed. Refrain

If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, their children will sit upon your throne for evermore." For I have chosen Zion, I have desired her for my habitation. Refrain

Second Reading

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

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Galatians 4.4-7

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed



Ma-gni-fi-cat. Ma-gni-fi-cat. Ma-gni-fi-cat a-ni-ma me - a Do-mi-num. Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul. Sing out and glo-ri-fy the Lord who sets us free.



Ma-gni-fi-cat. Ma-gni-fi-cat. Ma-gni-fi-cat a-ni-ma me - a! Sing out, my soul. Sing out, my soul. Sing out and glo-ri-fy the Lord God!

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The Gospel

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 2.1-7

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Nate Wall

Please be seated

A moment of silence is observed.

Leader: As we reflect on Mary as mother today, we remember her also as a faithful and courageous disciple. Therefore, let us, like Mary, come to our nurturing God with faith and courage, saying,

God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord of life, we have so much to be thankful for.

For the incredible beauty and generosity of the earth that sustains our life.

Your love is constantly reflected in the relationships we enjoy with family and friends, through all those who care for us, teach us, challenge us, and make us laugh.

Each of us has many things for which we are grateful today, and we thank you for them now.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord, we pray for the church in the world today. We pray that all of us who are members of Christ's body may learn to live together in love, demonstrating to the world the values of your kingdom – simplicity and humility, seeking justice and peace, ensuring a place for all. Jesus has taught us the disturbing truth that the way the world will know we are your followers is in the way we love one another. This morning you are invited to pray for our own parish, the work of the Common Table, and the church in Canada and the world.

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

God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God of peace, as we pray that your kingdom will come on earth as it is in heaven, we pray for peace in the world. In sorrow we bring before you the places of conflict and violence in our own streets, and across the world, that are on our hearts today.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for our own political leaders in Canada, in all levels of government, and the leaders of all the nations, that they will learn to seek peace, and the well-being of all the people, over their own desire for power and wealth.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Creator God, you have entrusted us as stewards to care for the earth, our Mother, so that her richness and bounty will sustain, not only us, but generations to come after us. We have not done well with this stewardship; in our greed we have wasted resources and polluted the earth. We in western countries have heedlessly taken far too much, leaving our sisters and brothers in other places in poverty and need. Let us pray for the earth, and for our own conversion to simplicity and responsible stewardship.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: God of Justice, as Canadians, as treaty people, we pray for the healing of the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in this country. Show us the hard way of justice and right relations, that our First Nations can flourish in ways that are true to their history and cultures and that we can live together in peace.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Compassionate God, there are those among us who are facing trials and difficulties, illness and bereavement. We ask that you use us, and our community, to bring comfort, help and encouragement to those who are in distress. We pray for those who have died, and for those who mourn their loss. Let us pray for those who are on our hearts today, who need healing, comfort and strength.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box God of steadfast love, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Lord you have promised to hear us when we lift our hearts to you in prayer. We humbly pray all these things in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son and our Redeemer.

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: #269 (Common Praise) "Heavenly Message"

All Sing



- 1. Heav-en-ly mes-sage, brought by an an gel, com ing to lift the
 - 2. Ma ry re-plied to Ga bri el's mess age, "I am the ser-vant,
 - 3. In the be-gin-ning, when God had spo-ken, through God's own Word all



bring - ing to Ma - ry the earth; hum - ble low - ly, hopes and done just maid of the Lord. Let it be as vou have spo - ken. by that Word, em - bod - ied through Ma - ry, things came to be: now



God's in - vi - ta-tion to give the Christ birth. My soul re-joic-es in God's sav - ing word." God's glo-ry blaz-es, that our eyes may see.

Refrain



Ma-ry we hail you, full of God's fav-our, bless-ed are you, and bless-ed your son;



he will be called the child of the high-est, Sav-iour of all, the ho - ly one.

TEXT: Paul Gibson (1932-). MUSIC: Melody Basque trad.

▼ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of mercy, receive all we offer you this day.

May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom,

and live with you in unending love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al-so with you.



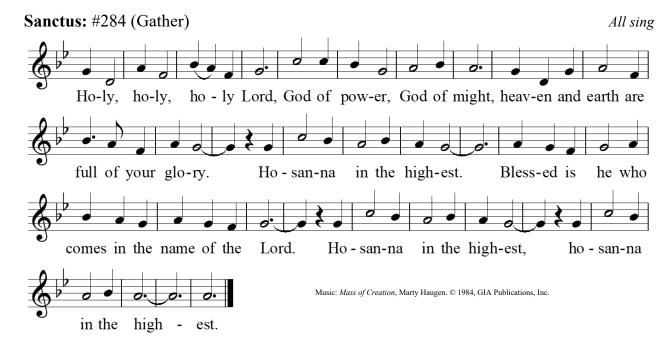
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



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

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the mystery of his incarnation was made perfect man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; in him we have seen a new and radiant vision of your glory. Therefore with all the angels of heaven, we lift our voices and sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name:

Priest:



Priest: 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 be in your presence. 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,

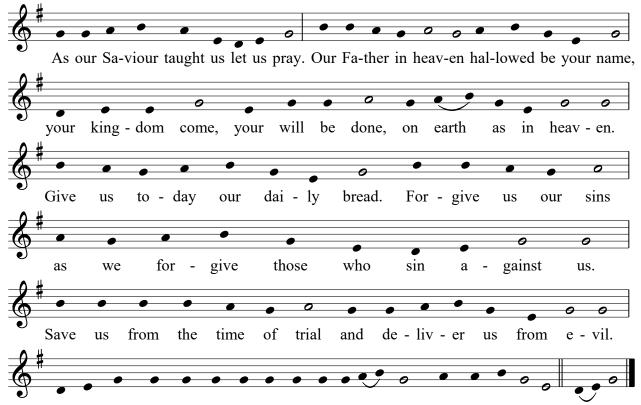
All: we remember his death we proclaim his resurrection we await his coming in glory;

almighty Father, now and for ever.

Priest: 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 children; 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,

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.

All: 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.

Agnus Dei: "Missa Nativitatis" (Patrick Wedd)

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:

Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock. One:

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 priest will be pleased to offer you a blessing.



- joy ful praise our songs as cend, For this most lov - ing grace: Your 3. A - mong the blest, in rad - iant peace, Yet still ser-vant true. Her
- 4. Once, she had known temp - ta - tion sharp, The doubts that shake the mind, Yet
- 5. As sist our stumb-ling walk And aid each hum-ble vow, us in



your ser-vant's fes - tal day, We sing with heart's de - light. daugh - ter stands a - mong the blest, With - in the heav'n-ly place. per - fec - ted, Her strength and beau - tv vi - sion new. la - boured still in love and prayer E - ter - nal life find. are speak-ing through your saints In ag - es past, and now.

Hymn: "Ave Maris Stella" (Franz Liszt)

Ave, maris stella, Dei mater alma atque semper virgo, felix cœli porta.

Sumens illud "Ave" Gabrielis ore, funda nos in pace, mutans Evæ nomen.

Solve vincla reis, profer lumen cæcis, mala nostra pelle, bona cuncta posce.

Monstra te esse matrem, sumat per te precem qui pro nobis natus tulit esse tuus.

Virgo singularis, inter omnes mitis, nos culpis solutos mites fac et castos.

Vitam præsta puram, iter para tutum, ut videntes Jesum semper collætemur.

Sit laus Deo Patri, summo Christo decus, Spiritui Sancto tribus honor unus. Amen. Hail, star of the sea, Nurturing Mother of God, And ever Virgin Happy gate of Heaven.

Receiving that "Ave"
From the mouth of Gabriel,
Establish us in peace,
Transforming the name of "Eva".

Loosen the chains of the guilty, Send forth light to the blind. Our evil do thou dispel, Entreat (for us) all good things.

Show thyself to be a Mother: Through thee may he receive prayer Who, being born for us, Undertook to be thine own.

O unique Virgin, Meek above all others, Make us, set free from (our) sins, Meek and chaste.

Bestow a pure life, Prepare a safe way: That seeing Jesus, We may ever rejoice.

Praise be to God the Father,
To the Most High Christ (be) glory,
To the Holy Spirit
(Be) honour, to the Three equally. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Please rise as you are able

Priest: God of grace,

today we raise our voices to magnify your holy name,

and, in our own generation, to call her blessed

who became the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

May we who have shared this holy food continue, with her,

in your glorious kingdom,

founded and established in Jesus Christ our Lord.

We ask this in his name. 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

Departing Hymn: #893 (Gather, 3rd Ed.) "Mary, First Among Believers" Please rise as you are able and sing first a-1. Mar-y, mong be-liev-ers, Trust-ing the an - gel's word, in mong dis - ci-ples, Lis-t'ning, 3. Mar-y, first alearn-ing from your Son, 5. Mar-y, mong the bless-ed Robed in heav-en's beau - ty bright, first a -You concon - ceiv - ing, Brought to birth the sent - ed and, ac - tions. Pon - d'ring each, for -You held dear his words and You re joice with saints and an - gels In your Son's reof God. Moth-er Son now of all be liev - ers, Give our frag - ile get - ting none. Moth-er ci - ples, Help lis - ten now of all disus splen-dent light. Moth-er bless-ed, Make your now of all the pil-grim faith in crease; May we, trust - ing God's prom - ise, day by to the Spir - it's day; O - pen prompt - ing, peo - ple Keep faith - ful till. strong; us we join you, Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b.1939, © 2010, GIA Publications Inc. Tune: PLEADING SAVIOUR; Christian Lyre, 1830; harm. by Richard Proulx (1937-2010) use-less fears re-lease. Doubts and Help Je-sus' way. us fol-low

The Dismissal

Prais - ing

Priest: Let your souls magnify the Lord. Alleluia!

end-less song.

God in

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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The Intercessions were written by Karen Turner.

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Ministry Updates

Today at the 9:30 service, we welcomed into the household of God through the sacrament of baptism Connor Williams.

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 on our website (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 (lilian.n.junkin@gmail.com).

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).

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 priests 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

Mid-Year Financial Review

The mid-year financial review will be on **Sunday**, **August 28 at 2 PM**. Join in through Zoom to hear an update on how the revenues and expenditures are compared to the budget that was approved at Vestry. Further details and the Zoom link will be shared soon.

Zoom Coffee and Conversation

After the services, the connection on Zoom will be kept open for a post-service coffee time. We will pause for about five minutes to allow time to grab a cup of coffee, tea or a cool beverage and return for a time of conversation.

Coffee Time at the Church

All who attend worship services in the church building are invited to linger for a time of conversation and coffee in the narthex – the space at the back of the church – immediately following the service.

Next Local Pilgrimage

The Becoming Pilgrims Committee invites you to our next local pilgrimage on **Saturday**, **August 20**. We will meet at 12 noon at the Brickworks, just outside of the entrance to the Farmer's Market. We will enjoy lunch together (purchasing from one of the market's vendors), a Gospel reflection, and an easy walk around the ponds of the property. Contact Susan Haig at shaig@theredeemer.ca if you have questions.

How We Gather

With the quieter days of summer, there is an opportunity to set up the seating in the church in different ways. We have had the seats formed similar to pews. For the next few weeks, we are trying a semi-circular formation. Feedback as always is welcomed. For those in the building, can you see and hear well? How is your ability to worship enhanced? For those who join the service through Zoom, does the way the church is set up change how you experience the service? To

share your thoughts, please speak with one of the priests or send an email to communications@theredeemer.ca.

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 (communications@theredeemer.ca) if you have thoughts you'd like to share.

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 (akuhl@theredeemer.ca).

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.

5K Run in Support of The Common Table

Are you looking for a fun and active way to support The Common Table? Join our team for the **Constantine Yorkville 5K Run**. The Common Table is once again honoured to be included in this premiere event taking place on **Sunday**, **September 11**. This is a great opportunity for you to support our work and for us to increase our visibility in the neighborhood. Let's get moving!

- Register as a runner or a walker. You can run or walk either in person or virtually 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.

For more information and to register for the run, visit the race website at https://www.yorkvillerun.com/#about. If you have any questions about the run, please contact Amber Aulen at amber.aulen@mail.utoronto.ca.

Join the Redeemer Pilgrims Team for the Yorkville Run!

Calling all pilgrims, walkers and runners! Joan Robinson and her wonderful guide dog Dani are inviting members of the community to be part of the **Church of the Redeemer Pilgrims Team** for the Constantine Yorkville 5K Run and help raise funds for the Common Table. When you register at www.yorkvillerun.com, choose Church of the Redeemer Pilgrims as your team and the Common Table as your favourite charity.

Joan and Dani have been together since March 2022. Joan says "She loves to guide and together we explore the city. Running down a woodland trail is one of her favourite experiences!" With that kind of energy on the team, it will be a great experience for everyone.

The Common Table Summer Schedule

The Common Table is operating on summer hours. On Thursdays and Fridays from 10 to 10:45 AM, sandwiches, oatmeal and coffee are available from the outreach cart.

The program will be closed from August 22 to September 5.

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 - https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/city-of-toronto-economic-development-amp-culture-30949674731

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!

Bulletin Announcements

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

eNews Publication Schedule

To enhance our communications, beginning this week, the **Our Common Life** weekly e-newsletter will arrive in your inbox each Wednesday evening. The **Our Common Worship** weekly e-newsletter will continue to arrive on Friday evening. PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for sending submissions to Ann Cope (aecope@interlog.com) for Our Common Life is Wednesday at 9 AM.

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 www.theredeemer.ca/donate
- 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

Beyond Our Walls

Diocesan Outreach and Advocacy Conference

The annual diocesan Outreach and Advocacy Conference will be held virtually on **Saturday**, **October 29 from 9 AM to 3:30 PM**. The theme is "Pointing our Feet Toward Right Relationship" with Bishop Riscylla Shaw as the keynote speaker. Registration will open after Labour Day. See the poster on the conference web page (https://www.toronto.anglican.ca).

This Earth of Majesty

Former parishioner Kate Werneburg is directing the Dauntless TO Theatre summer production – *This Earth of Majesty*. The production is staged in St. James Park and explores the kingdom of Garden and its ruler – Richard II. It opened on Friday, August 5 at 7 PM and runs through August 28. More information is available on their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/dauntlessTO. If you are able, take in this production and say hello to Kate.

Bible Remixed - Fall Course Offering

"Love Goes All the Way Down: Discovering the Old Testament God" is an online course offered by Dr. Sylvia Keesmaat from September 25 – October 30 on Zoom. This course is for those with a "God of Wrath" upbringing, and the homophobia, sexism, racism and judgementalism that such a theology creates. We will explore how this tragic misreading of the text has suppressed the compassionate character of the Creator throughout the story. Registration and further information are available online at https://www.bibleremixed.ca/.

WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday, August 14 – 5:00-8:00 PM Be Still

Sunday, August 21 – 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM Sung Eucharist

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