



THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
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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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**Welcome**

*Moderator*

**Land Acknowledgment**

*Steven Mackison*

## Opening Hymn: #397 (Common Praise) "Praise the One ..."

*Redeemer Music Team*



1. Praise the one who breaks the dark-ness with a lib-er-a-ting  
2. Praise the one who blessed the chil-dren with a strong yet gen-tle  
3. Praise the one true love in-car-nate: Christ who suf-fered in our



light. Praise the one who frees the pris-oners, turn-ing blind-ness in-to  
word. Praise the one who drove out de-mons with a pier-cing two-edged  
place. Je-sus died and rose for ma-ny that we may know God by



sight. Praise the one who preached the gos-pel, heal-ing ev-ery dread dis-  
sword. Praise the one who brings cool wa-ter to the des-ert's burn-ing  
grace. Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see-ing what our God has



ease, calm-ing storms and feed-ing thou-sands with the ve-ry bread of peace.  
sand. From this well comes liv-ing wa-ter, quench-ing thirst in ev-ery land.  
done. Praise the one re-deem-ing glo-ry, praise the One who makes us one.

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## ✠ The Gathering of the Community

*Steven Mackison*

*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.

## The Collect of the Day

*Steven Mackison*

*Priest:* Almighty God,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of life  
and the word of his kingdom.

Renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

## ✠ Proclamation of the Word

### First Reading

*Heather Bennett*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

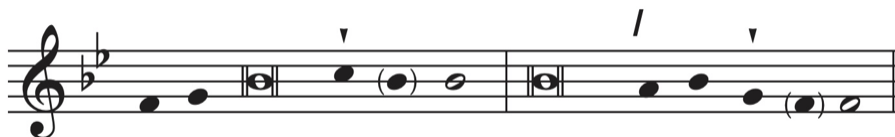
Genesis 32.22-31

**All:** Thanks be to God.

*A moment of silence is observed*

### Psalm 17.1-7, 15 (Plainsong)

*Redeemer Music Team*



**HEAR A just cause, O God; attend to my cry; \*  
give ear to my prayer from / lips of deceit.**

**From you let my vindication come; \*  
let your / eyes see the right.**

**If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, \*  
if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me;  
my / mouth does not transgress.**

**As for what others do, by the word of your lips \*  
I have avoided the ways / of the violent.**

**My steps have held fast to your paths; \*  
my / feet have not slipped.**

**I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; \*  
incline your ear to / me; hear my words.**

**Wondrously show your steadfast love, \*  
O saviour of those who seek refuge  
from their adversaries / at your right hand.**

**As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; \*  
when I awake I shall be satisfied, behold- / ing your likeness.**

## **Second Reading**

*Heather Bennett*

*Reader:* A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Romans 9.1-5

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

*A moment of silence is observed*

## Gospel Acclamation: #197 (Sing a New Creation)

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Al - le-lu-ia, al - le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia, al - le - lu-ia! Al - le-lu-ia, al - le-lu-ia!



Al-le-lu-ia, al - le - lu-ia!

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## The Gospel

Paige Souter

*Deacon:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, ‘This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.’ Jesus said to them, ‘They need not go away; you give them something to eat.’ They replied, ‘We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.’ And he said, ‘Bring them here to me.’ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*Deacon:* The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 14.13-21

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

**Homily:** Steven Mackison

*We pause for music and meditation.*

**Meditation**

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## The Prayers of the People

Murray Bryant

*Leader:* God of vision, we pray for the continued renewal of the Church in faith, love and service. May we discern you in all that we see and faithfully serve you in all that we do.

*As we pause, please add your petitions for the church.*

*Leader:* God our provider.

**All: Feed us with your living bread.**

*Leader:* Lord of the nations, look on this wounded world in pity and power. We pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the whole world. Remember for good all those who suffer from violence, hatred and oppression. We pray for all refugees that they will be given safe passage and the means to begin again.

*As we pause, please add your petitions for healing for the world.*

*Leader:* God our provider.

**All: Feed us with your living bread.**

*Leader:* Lord of creation, we pray for the natural world. We remember for good all those who produce our food and we pray that they may be given the means to operate effectively and sustainably. We pray for all those who work to protect our green earth and ask that we might be given the will and the wisdom to do our part.

*As we pause, please add your petitions for creation.*

*Leader:* God our provider.

**All: Feed us with your living bread.**

*Leader:* Great physician, stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Bring relief, healing and wholeness to all who suffer. Bless all the caregivers and give them the strength and wisdom to do your work.

*As we pause, please add your petitions for all in need.*

*Leader:* God our provider.

**All: Feed us with your living bread.**

*Leader:* Faithful Lord, we pray for all who have died and for all those who are in the shadow of death. Bring them safely into your nearer presence and comfort those who mourn.

*As we pause, please add your petitions those who have died and those who mourn.*

*Leader:* God our provider.

*All:* **Feed us with your living bread.**

*Leader:* God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful; watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All:* **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Steven Mackison*

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

*People:* **And also with you.**

## Hymn: #330 (Common Praise) "O Praise Ye the Lord!"

*Redeemer Music Team*



1. O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the height; re-joice in God's Word, ye  
2. O praise ye the Lord! Give praise up - on earth; in tune - ful ac - cord, give  
3. O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound; each ju - bi - lant chord re -  
4. O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song be ev - er out - poured all



an - gels of light; ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were  
thanks for new birth; praise God who hath brought you all grace from a -  
ec - ho a - round; loud or - gans God's glo - ry pro - claim in deep  
a - ges a - long; for love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re -



made, and wor - ship be - fore him in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
bove, praise God who hath taught you the path - ways of love.  
tone, and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what God hath done.  
stored, for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!



## The Lord's Prayer

Steven Mackison

*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 Giving and Receiving of Communion

Steven Mackison

*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 Doxology

Steven Mackison

*Priest:* Glory to God,

*All:* **whose power working in us  
can do infinitely more  
than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Announcements

Steven Mackison

Refrain



Glo-ry and praise to our God, who a - lone gives light to our days.



Man-y are the bless-ings he bears to those who trust in his ways.



1. We, the daugh-ters and sons of him who built the val-leys and plains,
2. In his wis - dom he strength-ens us, like gold that's test - ed in fire.
3. Ev - 'ry mom - ent of ev - 'ry day our God is wait-ing to save,



Praise the won-ders our God has done in ev - 'ry heart that sings.  
 Though the pow - er of sin pre-vents, our God is there to save.  
 Al - ways read - y to seek the lost, to an-swer those who pray.



4. God has wa-tered our bar-ren land and spent his mer-ci-ful rain.



Now the riv-ers of life run full for an-y - one to drink.

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The Dismissal

Paige Souter

**Deacon:** Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

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

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#### **Sunday, August 13 (Proper 19A)**

**9 AM** – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only)

**10:30 AM** – Holy Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

**7 PM** – Taizé (in the Church and through YouTube)

**8 PM** – Compline (on Zoom only)

#### **Sunday, August 20 (Proper 20A)**

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