



THE DAY OF 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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President: Steven Mackison

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Opening Hymn: #645 (Common Praise) “Come Down, O Love Divine”

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1. Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine, and vis - it it with
2. O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn to dust and ash - es
3. Let ho - ly char - i - ty mine out - ward vest - ure be, and low - li - ness be
4. And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long, shall far out - pass the



thine own ar - dour glow - ing; O com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap -
in its heat con - sum - ing; and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my
come mine in - ner cloth - ing; true low - li - ness of heart, which takes the hum - bler
power of hu - man tell - ing; for none can guess its grace, till they be - come the



pear, and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
sight, and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
part, and o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
place where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it finds a dwell - ing.

✠ The Greeting

Steven Mackison

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love God and fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: Come, Holy Spirit

All: **Kindle our hearts with the fire of new life.**

Priest: Renew your people.

All: **Fill your church with the breath of God.**

The Collect of the Day

Steven Mackison

Priest: Spirit of truth:
guide us into all truth;
consume the lies that shroud the world in hate;
pray in us with sighs too deep for words with hope for a new world;
through Jesus Christ, who goes to the right hand of God.

All: **Amen.**

✠ Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Catherine Emerson

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Acts 2:1-21

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

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Ö GOD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.

There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you. *
to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.

May your glory endure for ever; *
may you rejoice in all your works.

You look at the earth and it trembles; *
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to you as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please you; *
I will rejoice in you, O God. Hallelujah!

Praise God, O my soul. *
-- / Hallelujah!

Second Reading:

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

Catherine Emerson

We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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

Romans 8:22-27

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Gospel Acclamation

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The Gospel

Paige Souter

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you, but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

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

Sermon: Paige Souter

A moment of silence is observed.

Prayers of the People

Abigail Young

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

We light the candle,
the light shines out,
the candle is transformed,
the spirit gives of herself,
we all receive.

Gathered community of the Church of the Redeemer,
Apart and part of the whole,
In isolation and in communion,
Near and far,
Together we pray:

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

Heal us, Creator God, that we may become whole;
Inspire us, Spirit of God, and instil in us new wisdom;
Lead us, brother Jesus, to love and serve each other;
Defeating the fears which lead to discrimination;
Affirming all humankind as celebrants in the eucharist of life.

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

God of justice and peace, you stand with those who are poor,
You ask us to be the voice of the voiceless.
We call upon you for those who have suffered the injustice
of war and greed, from the depths of our being we cry to you:

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

Forgiving and understanding God
Help us to use our energy wisely
to appreciate what we so often take for granted
to love ourselves, imperfect as we are
to love and accept others as they are
to love you and accept and trust your love for us – always.

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

God, free us from our anxiety, from our obsession with details,
from our greed for possessions, from our fear of loss.
Free us from our laziness and from our overworking,
from our attempts to fill our loneliness with busyness.
Release us from our clumsiness, our awkwardness,
our selfishness with others, so that rejoicing wholeheartedly in
their happiness, and entering sensitively into their suffering
we may become learned in the school of love.
Make us brave.
Make us truthful.
Make us people who have the faith to change the world.

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

Are you there?

In the slaughter of war
the terror of disasters
the anguish of death
the torment of pain
the pain of bereavement
the horror of crimes.

We long to be assured and comforted when darkness overwhelms us.

Loving God, hear our cries and grant us peace.

May we but wait upon Love's word, Knowing our prayer is heard.

One minute of silence is kept; petitions may be added aloud

Creator God, you know what we need, without our words.

Hear our prayer and hear also our silence.

Grant us those things we cannot or dare not voice.

We make these prayers through our brother Jesus.

Amen.

The Peace

Paige Souter

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

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #462 (Gather) "Spirit Blowing Through Creation"

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1. Spir - it blow - ing through cre - a - tion, Spir - it burn - ing in the skies,
2. As you moved up - on the wa - ters, As you ride up - on the wind,
3. Love that sends the riv - ers danc - ing, Love that wa - ters all that lives,
4. All the crea - tures you have fash - ioned, All that live and breathe in you,



Let the hope of your sal - va - tion fill our eyes;
Move us all, your bless - ed child - ren deep with - in;
Love that heals and holds and rous - es and for - gives;
Find their hope in your com - pas - sion, strong and true;



God of splen - dour, God of glo - ry, You who light the stars a - bove,
As you shaped the hills and moun - tains, Formed the land and filled the deep,
You are food for all your crea - tures, You are hun - ger in the soul,
You, O Spir - it of sal - va - tion, You a - lone, be - neath, a - bove,



All the heav-ens tell the sto-ry of your love. *(To verse 2)*
Let your hand re - new and wak-en all who sleep. *(To refrain)*
In your hands the bro - ken-heart-ed are made whole. *(To verse 4)*
Come, re - new your whole cre - a - tion in your love. *(To refrain)*

Refrain



Spir-it re - new-ing the earth, re - new-ing the hearts of all peo-ple;



Burn in the wea-ry souls, blow through the si-lent lips, come now a - wake us,



Spir-it of God.

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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

Departing Hymn: #658 (Common Praise) "Filled with the Spirit's Power"

All rise and sing

1. Filled with the Spir - it's power, with one ac - cord
 2. Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
 3. Wi - den our love, good Spir - it, to em - brace

the in - fant church con - fessed its ris - en
 that un - i - ty may be our great de -
 in your strong care peo - ple of ev - ery

Lord. O Ho - ly Spir - it, in the church to -
 sire. Give joy and peace; give faith to hear your
 race. Like wind and fire with life a - mong us

day no less your power of fel - low - ship dis - play.
 call, and read - i - ness in each to work for all.
 move, till we are known as Christ's, and Chris - tians prove.

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The Dismissal

Paige Souter

Priest: Go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!
People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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Sunday May 19 (Pentecost)

9:00 AM – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only)

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

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Sunday May 26 (Trinity Sunday)

9:00 AM – Spiritual Communion (on Zoom only)

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

7:00 PM – Taizé Eucharist (in the Church and through YouTube)

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)