



TRINITY SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024, AT 9:00 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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Presider: Paige Souter

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Opening Hymn: #58 (Sing a New Creation) “Mothering God”

Redeemer Music Team



1. Moth - er - ing God, you gave me birth in the bright
2. Moth - er - ing Christ, you took my form, of - fer - ing
3. Moth - er - ing Spir - it, nur - turing one, in arms of
morn - ing of this world. Cre - a - tor, source of ev - ery
me your food of light, grain of life, and grape of
pa - tience hold me close so that in faith I root and
breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun.
love, your ver - y bod - y for my peace.
grow un - til I flower, un - til I know.

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✠ The Greeting

Paige Souter

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

All: **And also with you.**

The Collect of the Day

Paige Souter

Priest: Enfolding God, Trinity of love,
you are our source, our goal, our life:
may we be born again in you,
no more to live alone and unconnected,
but, sharing the Spirit's breath,
be carried to your heart;
through Jesus Christ, who lifts us up. **Amen.**

✠ Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Karen Turner

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

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

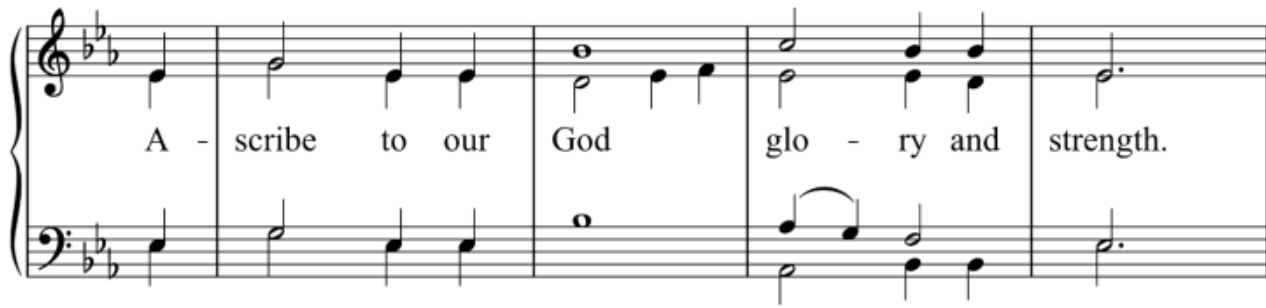
Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Isaiah 6.1-8

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Refrain



Ascribe to the Holy One, you gods:
 Ascribe to the Holy One glory and strength.
 Scribe to God all glory, bless God's name;
 worship God in the beauty of holiness. **Refrain**

The voice of the Holy One is upon the waters;
 the God of glory thunders:
 God is upon the mighty waters.
 The voice of God is a powerful voice;
 the voice of God is a voice of splendour. **Refrain**

The voice of the Holy One breaks the cedar trees;
 God breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
 God makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
 and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. **Refrain**

The voice of the Holy One splits the flames of fire;
 the voice of God shakes the wilderness;
 God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
 The voice of the Holy One makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
 And in the temple of the Holy One all are crying, "Glory!" **Refrain**

God sits enthroned above the flood;
 the Holy One sits enthroned, reigning for evermore.
 The Holy One shall give strength to all people;
 God shall give the people the blessing of peace. **Refrain**

Second Reading:

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

Karen Turner

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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

Romans 8.12-17

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

The Gospel

Steven Mackison

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.**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

John 3.1-17

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

Sermon: Steven Mackison

A moment of silence is observed.

The Nicene Creed

Paige Souter

Priest: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Murray Bryant

Leader: Bound together in Christ in the communion of the Holy Spirit,
let us pray with one heart and mind to the Triune God.

Please add your prayers for the church silently or aloud

God of Divine Mystery, may the love which passes ceaselessly between You and the Son in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit renew and deepen the life of each Christian and draw us all gathered here into your unending life.

We pray:

All: **Blessed Trinity, hear us.**

Leader: We pray for the presence of Oneness in the world.

Please add your prayers for the world silently or aloud

God of Unity, open the hearts of all leaders, that they may discern ways to overcome divisions and mistrust, and may reflect your unity in every aspect of common life. Grant peace where there is war, want, or injustice.

We pray:

All: **Blessed Trinity, hear us.**

Leader: We pray for ever expanding circles of love and celebration.

Please add your prayers for loving presence silently or aloud

God of Abundant Love, may your self-disclosure in Christ and your enduring presence among us as Spirit, help us to understand you and ourselves more deeply, and to celebrate that we are all beautifully made in your image and likeness.

We pray:

All: **Blessed Trinity, hear us.**

Leader: We pray for the unity of kinship and the belovedness of belonging.

Please add your prayers for our shared life silently or aloud

God of Togetherness, may our families, our households, and our communities be places of communion and mutual support, which builds us up and strengthen us in grace and truth. May all know that they are your beloved.

We pray:

All: **Blessed Trinity, hear us.**

Leader: We pray for the preservation and protection of creation.

Please add your prayers for creation silently or aloud

God of the Universe, instill in us hearts grateful for the creation which you made through Christ, and renewed in the power of his resurrection, and that we may be wise and careful stewards of your creation.

We pray:

All: Blessed Trinity, hear us.

Leader: We pray for abiding love for people who are sick and suffering.

Please add your prayers for those in need

God of Compassion, in the power of the Spirit who joins our prayer to Christ's enduring intercession, we pray for the sick, suffering, and all who stand in need and for healing for all the world.

We pray:

All: Blessed Trinity, hear us.

Leader: We pray for all who have died and have begun their life in eternal joy.

Please add your prayers for all who have died

God of Eternal Love, grant mercy and rest to those who have died and fulfill in them the purpose of your love, and bring us all, with them to your eternal joy.

We pray:

All: Blessed Trinity, hear us.

Leader: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, the eternal mystery that enables, enfolds, and enlivens all things. We give thanks for your unending faithfulness to us.

Please add your prayers for thanksgiving

Holy God, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The Peace

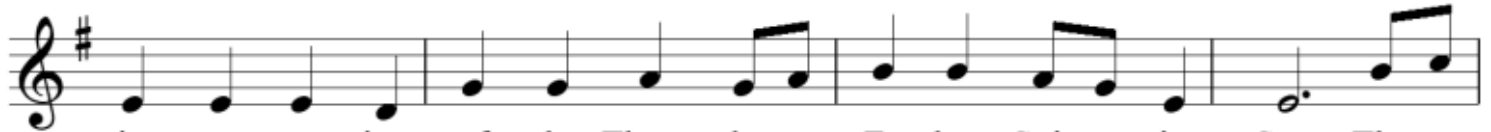
Paige Souter

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

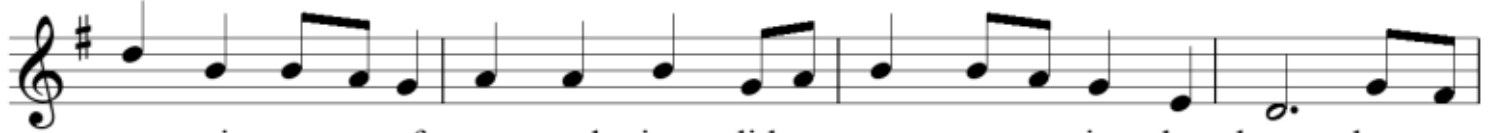
People: **And also with you.**



1. Come, join the dance of Trin-i-ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun the
 2. Come, see the face of Trin-i-ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem; then
 3. Come, speak a - loud of Trin-i-ty, as wind and tongues of flame set
 4. With - in the dance of Trin-i-ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun, we



in - ter-weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son. The
 blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem. The
 peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - iour's name. We
 sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son. Let



u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance, but
 dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone; when
 know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth; go
 voic - es rise and in - ter-weave, by love and hope set free, to



as the Three, in love and hope, made room with-in their dance.
 fear con-fines the dance in death, God rolls a-way the stone.
 tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
 shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

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The Lord's Prayer

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

Paige Souter

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.

Healing

For those desiring prayers for healing, please contact one of the clergy present privately in the chat.

The Doxology

Paige Souter

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: #256 (Common Praise) “Yours the Hand that Made Creation”

Redeemer Music Team



1. Yours the hand that made cre - a - tion, womb of ev - ery con-stel - la - tion,
2. Je - sus, from the first de-scend-ing, by your birth the bro-ken mend-ing,
3. Ho - ly Wis-dom, ev - er near us, tongue of fire to teach all hear-ers,



ev - ery spe-cies, ev - ery na-tion: glo-ry to the Three-in-One.
Word of God the nev - er - end-ing: glo-ry to the Three-in-One.
sanc - ti - fy and guard and cheer us: glo-ry to the Three-in-One.

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The Dismissal

Steven Mackison

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Sunday May 26 (Trinity Sunday)

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

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Sunday June 2 (Corpus Christi)

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

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

7:00 PM – Be Still (in the Church and through YouTube)

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)