



TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 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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President: Steven Mackison

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement



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1. To - day I a-wake and God is be - fore me. At
 2. To - day I a - rise and Christ is be - side me. He
 3. To - day I af-firm the Spir-it with - in me At
 4. To - day I en-joy the Trin-i - ty round me, A -



night, as I dreamt, he sum-moned the day; For
 walked through the dark to scat - ter new light. Yes,
 wor - ship and work, in strug - gle and rest. The
 bove and be-neath, be - fore and be - hind; The



God nev - er sleeps but pat - terns the morn - ing With
 Christ is a - live, and beck - ons his peo - ple To
 Spir - it in-spires all life which is chang - ing From
 Mak - er, the Son, the Spir - it to - geth - er They



slith - ers of gold or glo - ry in gray.
 hope and to heal, re - sist and in - vite.
 fear - ing to faith, from bro - ken to blest.
 called me to life and call me their friend.

Text: John L. Bell (1949-). Tune: SLITHERS OF GOLD, John L. Bell (1949-.) © 1989, Iona Community, GIA Publications, Inc., agent.

✠ **The Gathering of the Community**

Steven Mackison

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

All: **And also with you.**

The Collect of the Day

Steven Mackison

Priest: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another.
Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast,
and teach us to trust like little children,
so that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

All: **Amen.**

✠ Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Murray Bryant

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Job.

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips."

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

Job 1.1, 2.1-10

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 26 (George Black)

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Refrain

Test me, O God. I have walked faith-ful - ly with you.

Give judgment for me, O God, for I have lived with integrity;

I have trusted in you and have not faltered.

Test me, O God, and try me;

examine my heart and my mind.

For your love is before my eyes;

I have walked faithfully with you. **Refrain**

I have not sat with the worthless,
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked. **Refrain**

I will wash my hands in innocence, O God, that I may go in procession round your altar,
Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
O God, I love the house in which you dwell
and the places where your glory abides. **Refrain**

Second Reading:

Murray Bryant

Reader: A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honour, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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

Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Verses 1-3



1. Blest are they, the poor in spir - it, theirs is the
 2. Blest are they, the low - ly ones, they shall in -
 3. Blest are they who show mer - cy, mer - cy

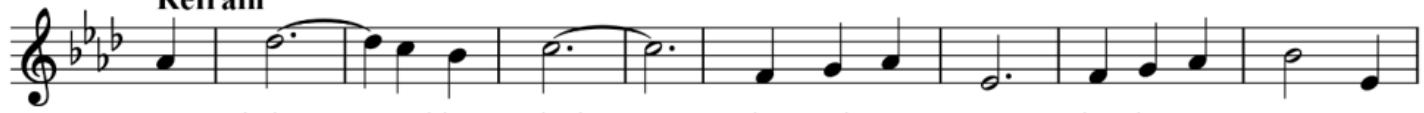


king - dom of God. Blest are they, full of
 her - it the earth. Blest are they who hun - ger and
 shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of



sor - row, they shall be con - soled.
 thirst, they shall have their fill.
 heart, they shall see God!

Refrain



Re - joice and be glad! Bless - ed are you, ho - ly are you! Re -



joice and be glad! Yours is the king - dom of God!

Verses 4,5



4. Blest are they who seek peace; they are the chil - dren of
 5. Blest are you who suf - fer hate, all be - cause of



God. Blest are they who suf - fer in
 me. Re - joice and be glad, yours is the

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faith, the glo - ry of God is theirs.
 king - dom; shine for all to see.

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 Mark.

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

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

Mark 10.2-16

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

A moment of silence is observed.

Homily: Paul MacLean

A moment of silence is observed.

Prayers of the People

Deb Hinton

Leader: God of Peace, your son Jesus Christ united on the cross all peoples, all of creation, and all nations. We gather our prayers and longings of our hearts into one voice.

We pray for the church and for all faith traditions, that together we may witness to the path of love and peace, non-violence and justice.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: God of Peace,

All: **Unite our hearts.**

Leader: We pray for the leaders of all nations, that they would see beyond parochial interests and commit to working for the common good, the cessation of violence, and the healing of the earth.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: God of Peace,

All: **Unite our hearts.**

Leader: We pray for those facing difficulties and the hardship including the poor of the earth, the hungry, the incarcerated, the homeless, and the victims of violence and war, that their needs be met and they receive the grace of hope that tomorrow will be better than today.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: God of Peace,

All: **Unite our hearts.**

Leader: We pray for those who have been victims of racial and gender injustice, especially Black, Indigenous Peoples, and People of Colour, and members of the LBGTQ2S+ community, that they would know they are God's beloved children and experience the freedom of justice.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: God of Peace,
All: **Unite our hearts.**

Leader: We pray for the suffering earth, for forests devastated by fire, for soil that is being depleted of nutrients, for warming rivers and oceans, for creatures whose habitat is shrinking, and for polluted air, that its cries for healing will heard and responded to in love.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: God of Peace,
All: **Unite our hearts.**

Leader: God of Peace, guide our hearts to be of one mind and one spirit. Help us to witness to and follow your path of harmony and beauty. May we be agents of peace.

All: **Amen.**

The Peace

Steven Mackison

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

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #508 (Common Praise) "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Redeemer Music Team



1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's



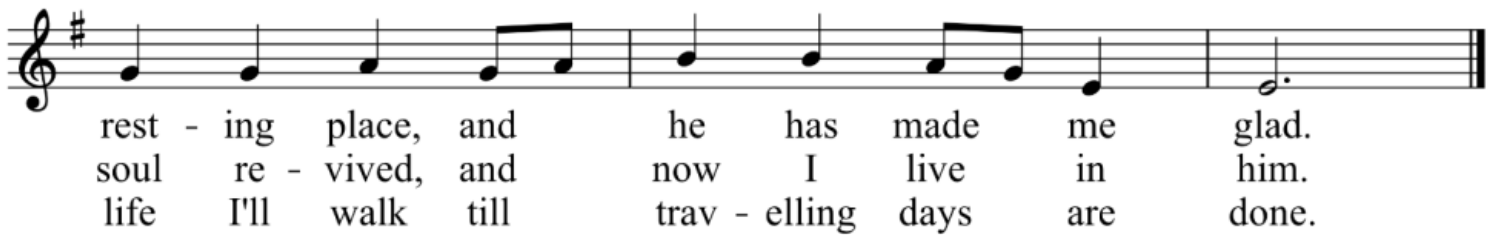
rest; lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down thy
give the liv - ing wa - ter; thirs - ty one, stoop
light; look un - to me, thy morn shall rise, and



head up - on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I was, so
down and drink and live." I came to Je - sus and I drank of
all thy day be bright." I looked to Je - sus and I found in



wea - ry, worn, and sad; I found in him a
that life - giv - ing stream; my thirst was quenched, my
him my star, my sun; and in that light of



rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.
soul re - vived, and now I live in him.
life I'll walk till trav - elling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889). Music: KINGSFOLD. Melody English trad.; coll. Lucy Broadwood (1858-1929);
adapt and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). Harm. © Oxford University Press.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

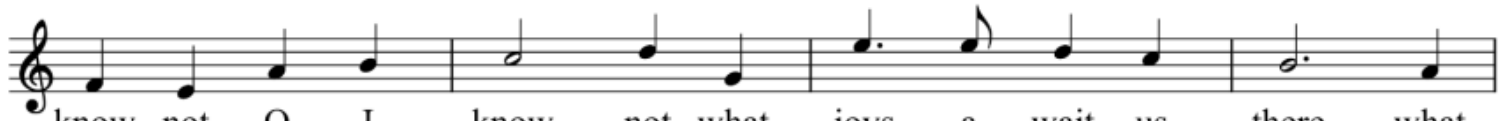
Announcements



1. Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, with milk and hon - ey blessed, be -
 2. They stand, those halls of Si - on, all ju - bi - lant with song, and
 3. There is the throne of Da - vid and there, from care re - leased, the
 4. O sweet and bless - ed coun - try, the home of God's e - lect; O



neath thy con - tem - pla - tion sink heart and voice op - pressed. I
 bright with ma - ny an an - gel and all the mar - tyr throng. The
 shout of them that tri - umph, the song of them that feast; and
 dear and fu - ture vi - sion, that ea - ger hearts ex - pect: even



know not, O I know not what joys a - wait us there, what
 Prince is ev - er in them, the day - light is se - rene, the
 they who with their lead - er have con - quered in the fight, for -
 now by faith we see thee, even here thy walls dis - cern; to



ra - dian - cy of glo - ry, what bliss be - yond com - pare.
 pas - tures of the bless - ed are decked in glo - rious sheen.
 ev - er and for - ev - er are clad in robes of white.
 thee our thoughts are kin - dled; for thee our spir - its yearn.

Text: Bernard of Cluny (12th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: EWING. Alexander Ewing (1830-1895).

The Dismissal

Paige Souter

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

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

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Sunday October 6 (Proper 27B)

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Sunday October 13 (Proper 28B)

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
at
Seven
Rock
Bach
and More

October

- 20** Taizé Eucharist
- 27** Shape-note Eucharist
the shape-note music of The Sacred Harp