

Proper 19C
Spiritual Communion
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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



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Land Acknowledgement

Opening Hymn: #638 (Gather) "Eye Has Not Seen"

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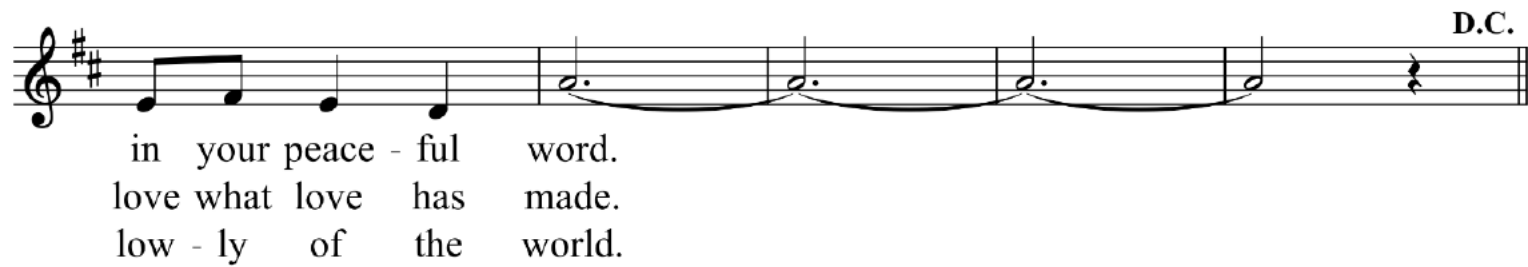
Refrain

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has ready for
those who love him; Spir - it of love, come, give us the mind of
Je - sus, teach us the wis - dom of God.

Verses 1-3


1. When pain and sor - row weigh us down, be near to us, O
2. Our lives are but a sin - gle breath, we flow - er and we
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ev - er
Lord, for - give the weak - ness of our faith, and bear us up with -
fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we re - turn in
near, re - flect - ed in the fac - es of all the poor and

D.C.




in your peace - ful word.
love what love has made.
low - ly of the world.

Verse 4



4. We sing a mys - t'ry from the past in halls where saints have
trod, yet ev - er new the mu - sic rings to Je - sus, Liv - ing

D.C.



Song of God.

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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 fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Collect of the Day

Steven Mackison

Priest: Watchful God,
kindle a new flame in our complacent hearts
and take from our hands the burden of worthless things,
so that we may be ready to receive a greater gift:
the love of Jesus Christ, our Servant King. **Amen.**

✠ Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Henry Krol

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation — I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from

before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

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

Isaiah 1.1, 10-20

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24 (*George Black*)

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The God of gods, the Holy One, has sspoken;
and has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God is revealed in glory. **Refrain**

Our God will come and will not keep silence,
will come with a devouring flame and a mighty tempest round about.
God calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of the people. **Refrain**

"Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
Let the heavens declare the rightness of God's cause;
who is the judge of all. **Refrain**

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.
I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your offerings are always before me. **Refrain**

Consider this well, you who forget God,
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honours me;
but to those who keep in my way, will I show the salvation of God." **Refrain**

Gospel Acclamation

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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 Luke.

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

Jesus said, “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

Luke 12:32-40

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

Homily: Anne Evers

A moment of silence is observed.

Prayers of the People

Murray Bryant

Leader: God our maker, you know us so well. We ask that as we approach you in prayer this day, that we may be enabled to open our hearts and minds, and so discern your loving presence with us. We pray that you may draw us and the whole world, ever more closely into your loving care.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: Give light to our lamps, O Lord

All: **and kindle in us, the fire of your love.**

Leader: Almighty God, Lord of all nations, Lord of all time, speedily bring help to all who suffer because of war, oppression, injustice and cruelty. Forgive our individual and corporate complicity in the actions that bring harm, and direct us into the ways of justice and peace.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: Give light to our lamps, O Lord

All: **and kindle in us, the fire of your love.**

Leader: God our provider, we see your abundance and fertility in the green earth you created. Help us to put aside our hubris, greed and sin which have brought us into this great ecological crisis of our time. We thank you for those who advocate for climate justice, who innovate and create to serve all living beings who share our island home. Give us the will and wisdom to do our part.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: Give light to our lamps, O Lord

All: **and kindle in us, the fire of your love.**

Leader: Healer divine, we look to you to bring us healing and wholeness, for ourselves and for those whose needs are on our hearts. Give wisdom and help to those who provide care and support, and bring us into your loving arms, today and all the days of our life.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: Give light to our lamps, O Lord

All: **and kindle in us, the fire of your love.**

Leader: God of compassion and love, we give thanks for all in our lives that reveals your loveliness; for those who have gone before us to lead our way; for this community of faith; for the blessing of our country and good government; for the provision you give us for our daily needs; for the love of our friends and family; for the gifts and refreshment that come to us through the arts and the natural world; for your faithfulness, which is revealed to us day by day.

Please add your prayers silently or aloud.

Leader: Give light to our lamps, O Lord

All: **and kindle in us, the fire of your love.**

Leader: God for whom we wait,
keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man.
We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

The Peace

Steven Mackison

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

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #466 (Common Praise) "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

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1. How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when
2. But if, for - get - ful, we should find your
3. We mark your saints, how they be - came in
4. In what you give us, Lord, to do, to -



once we heed your call: to live ac - cord - ing
yoke is hard to bear; if world - ly pres - sures
hin - dran - ces more sure, whose joy - ful vir - tues
geth - er or a - lone, in old rou - tines or



to your word, and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored, that
fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind its
put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name, and
ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to you, the



you are Lord of all, and will not let us fall.
tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.
by our faults ob - scure your power to cleanse and cure.
cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - oured done.

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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. Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
2. He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
3. Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sav - iour's rule em-brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro-claim in ev - ery place.



Greet one who comes in glo - ry, fore-told in sa - cred sto - ry.
Lift high your praise, re-sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

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The Dismissal

Steven Mackison

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

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Sunday August 10 (Proper 19C)

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

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Sunday August 17 (Proper 20C)

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)