

Corpus Christi
Spiritual Communion
Sunday, June 7, 2026 at 9 AM
Church of the Redeemer

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Mural
Dedication



OUR VISION

Becoming the Body of Christ at the corner of Bloor & Avenue Road and beyond

Guided by commitment to our shared values, we seek to become the body of Christ, nurturing a lively faith, a persistent hope, and an ever-expanding love for God's world.

- We seek to – open our doors and hearts, embracing all who seek a sacred space. We offer worship in many forms, touching the hearts of those yearning for spiritual connection, in-person or online.
- We seek to – listen deeply, hearing the stories of Jesus and of one another with open minds and hearts. Through faithful questioning, reflection, and shared learning, we grow together in wisdom and grace.
- We seek to – serve with generous hospitality, gathering at the table with our physical and spiritual hunger. We walk alongside one another with compassion in the seasons and conditions of life, sharing our needs and thanks.
- We seek to – embody Jesus' teachings that all people are God's children, worthy of love, and that all of creation is interconnected. Where structures or attitudes threaten or diminish, we advocate for justice, peace, equity and ecological responsibility.
- We seek to – reach out in-person and virtually to the world around us. We dare to love in word and action so that others see something of God in their midst.

OUR VALUES

- Compassion:** meeting every soul with tenderness and dignity
- Openness:** welcoming questions, embracing differences, and following the movement of the Spirit
- Respect:** honouring each person's unique story and gifts, and the inherent worth of all Creation
- Inclusion:** making room for all to enter, find a place, and participate fully
- Stewardship:** nurturing respect for our resources and partnerships for long-term vitality



Christ has no body now but ours, no hands, no feet on earth but ours. Ours are the eyes with which he looks compassionately on this world. Ours are the feet with which he walks to do good, Ours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.

Teresa of Avila (Adapted)

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

Who We Are

We are followers of Jesus: children, young adults, families, and seniors who come from a variety of backgrounds. We are long-time members and newcomers; people of deep faith and those still searching; people shaped by many traditions—and sometimes seeking a deeper sense of faith and community. We are not limited by ability, age, economic status, ethnicity, gender identity, personal history or sexual orientation.

Where We Stand

Dwelling on the traditional lands of the Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Mississauga of the Credit First Nation, Church of the Redeemer stands at the crossroads, physical and virtual—of neighbourhoods and nations, of government, education, arts, culture, and commerce—in the heart of Toronto.

From this place we seek to live into our identity as the body of Christ: living our faith, offering hope, and sharing love for God's world.

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Presider: Steven Mackison

Preacher: Archbishop Chris Harper is the National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and Presiding Elder of Sacred Circle.

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement



Your support of the ministries of the Church of the Redeemer allows us to be witnesses to God's love on our corner of Bloor Street and Avenue Road. Donations can be made through the QR code. Thank you for your gift and for joining in worship today.

Opening Hymn: #820 (Gather) "All Who Hunger"

Led by Redeemer Music Team



1. All who hun-ger, gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
2. All who hun-ger, nev - er stran-gers, seek - er, be a
3. All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan-d'ring.
wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for
Here, in joy, we keep the feast. We that once were
Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who



days of full-ness, all a - round us is our food.
lost and scat-tered in com - mun-ion's love havestood.
from this ta - ble live their lives in grat - i - tude.

Refrain



Taste and see the grace e - ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

✠ 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.

All: **And also with you.**

The Collect of the Day

Steven Mackison

Priest: O God, your Son Jesus Christ has left to us this meal of bread and wine in which we share his body and his blood.
May we who celebrate this sign of his great love show in our lives the fruits of his redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

✠ Proclamation of the Word

First Reading:

Heather Bennett

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Remember the long way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, in order to humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commandments. He humbled you by letting you hunger, then by feeding you with manna, with which neither you nor your ancestors were acquainted, in order to make you understand that one does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

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

Deuteronomy 8:2-3

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 116.1, 10-17 (George Black)

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Refrain

I will lift up the cup of sal - va - tion.

I love you, O God,
because you have heard the voice of my supplication,
because you have inclined your ear to me whenever

I called upon you. **Refrain**

How shall I repay you, O God,
for all the good things you have done for me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call upon your name, O God. **Refrain**

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God,
in the presence of all your people.
Precious in your sight, O God,
is the death of your servants. **Refrain**

O God, I am your servant;
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;
you have freed me from my bonds.
I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call upon your name, O God. **Refrain**

I will fulfil my vows to you, O God,
in the presence of all your people.
In the courts of God's house,
in the midst of Jerusalem. **Refrain**

Second Reading:

Heather Bennett

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter from Small Man to the Sacred Family in
Village of Pleasure.

Think about it in this way: When we give thanks and drink from the cup Creator has blessed, are we not participating ceremonially in the blood of the Chosen One? When we ceremonially break and eat the frybread, are we not participating in the body of the Chosen One? For we who are many all eat from one piece of frybread. This shows that we are all one body.

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

1 Corinthians 10.16-17

A moment of silence is observed

Gospel Acclamation

The Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: He Shows Goodwill tells the Good Story of Creator Sets Free.

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

Creator Sets Free said “I am the living bread from above. The ones who eat this bread will live beyond the end of all days. And this is the bread that I will give as a gift to the world—my human body.” His words caused a great division among the Tribal Members, and they began to argue with one another. “How can this be?” they asked. “Will he give us his flesh to eat?” “I speak from my heart,” he answered. “The only way to have my life in you is to eat the body of the True Human Being and drink his blood. Then, the life of the world to come will be yours, and at the end of all days I will bring your body back to life. My body is true food. My blood is pure drink. The ones who eat and drink my body and blood live in me, and I live in them. In the same way the living Father sent me and gave me his life, the ones who feed on me will have my life. The bread from above is not like the bread our ancestors ate—and then died. This bread gives the life of the world to come that never fades away, full of beauty and harmony.”

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily: Archbishop Chris Harper

Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.”

John 6.51-58

A moment of silence is observed.

Prayers of the People

Henry Krol

Leader: Awesome and Mighty God, draw us close to you, past our fear and sorrow, and into your loving embrace.

A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or in the chat.

Leader: Feed us with your bread of life.

All: **O God feed us.**

Leader: Bless your church, Lord: We come to you with our unquenchable thirst for communion with you. Help us to clear out the detritus of our lives and make room for you. Inspire us to faithfully reflect your loving nature in our daily lives grow closer to you every day.

A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or in the chat.

Leader: Feed us with your bread of life.

All: **O God feed us.**

Leader: Bless our homes, our communities, our country and our world, Lord: Bring your joy into our families; watch over children and guide the young. We pray for those who have no work, or for those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or dangerous. Guide and direct the leaders of the nations that they may speak the truth and care for the people they serve. Inspire us to provide for refugees, the homeless, the hungry and the destitute. Give wisdom and strength to the diplomats and peacemakers so that they would not lose hope. Finally, help us all to forgive our enemies and so fulfil your law of love.

A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or in the chat.

Leader: Feed us with your bread of life.

All: **O God feed us.**

Leader: Bless all those who suffer in mind, body, and spirit: Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, bring healing to those who are sick or dying and support to those who care for them. Lift up all who are brought low. We thank you for curing our affliction and emptiness with the healing flow of time.

A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or in the chat.

Leader: Feed us with your bread of life.

All: **O God feed us.**

Leader: We pray for the natural world: Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and help us to recognize you in everything you have made. Bless those who work to revive and protect our fragile planet and turn our hearts to give us the will and the wisdom to do our part to heal this our good earth.

A silence is observed. Please add your prayers silently or in the chat.

Leader: Feed us with your bread of life.

All: **O God feed us.**

Leader: O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to meditate upon you, and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

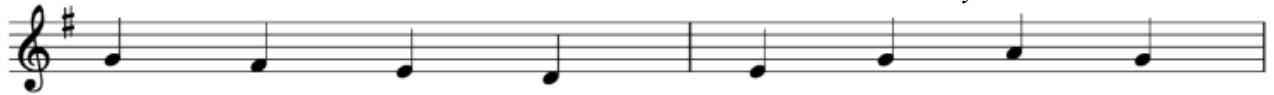
Steven Mackison

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

All: **And also with you.**

Offertory Song: #84 (Common Praise) “Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour”

Led by Redeemer Music Team



1. Lord, en - throned in heaven - ly splen - dour,
2. Here our hum - blest hom - age pay we;
3. Though the low - liest form doth veil thee
5. Life - im - part - ing heaven - ly Man - na,



first be - got - ten from the dead, thou a - lone, our
here in lov - ing rev - erence bow; here for faith's dis -
as of old in Beth - le - hem, here as there thine
strick - en Rock with stream - ing side, heaven and earth with



strong de - fend - er, lift - est up thy peo - ple's head.
cern - ment pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.
an - gels hail thee, branch and flower of Jes - se's stem.
loud ho - san - na wor - ship thee, the Lamb who died,

Al - le - lu - ia, Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!
 Al - le - lu - ia, thou art here, we ask not how.
 Al - le - lu - ia, we in wor - ship join with them.
 al - le - lu - ia, risen, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

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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: O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the
 Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your
 resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul.
 Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
 come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace,
 Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you
 in me, in this life and in the life to come. 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.**

Concluding Hymn: “We Are One” (*Carolyn McDade*)

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Dismissal

Steven Mackison

Priest: Behold what you are; become what you have received. Alleluia!

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

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WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday June 7 (Corpus Christi)

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

Wednesday June 3

12:00 PM – Mid-week Eucharist (in the Church)

Sunday June 14 (Proper 11A)

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

9:00 AM – Coffee Church (in the Church)

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

4:00 PM – Be Still (in the Church)

8:00 PM – Compline (on Zoom only)

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