



Book of Common Prayer

Morning Prayer

Ascension Sunday

May 29th, 2022



INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that this church is situated upon traditional Indigenous territory. This land is part of Treaty #20 signed in 1818 by representatives of the Anishinabe (Ojibway) peoples of Mississaugan and Chippewyan dialects. The treaty includes all of the City of Kawartha Lakes. We also recognize the enduring presence of First Nations peoples on this land.

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Processional Hymn # 309

PRAISE THE LORD WITH THE SOUND OF TRUMPET

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Sentence Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age. Matthew 28.19, 20

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Psalm 47 (congregation remain seated)

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.

All: **For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great king over all the earth.**

Leader: He subdues the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

All: **He chooses our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's horn.

All: **Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our king, sing praises.**

Leader: For God is king of all the earth; sing praises with all your skill.

All: God reigns over the nations; God sits upon his holy throne.

Leader: The nobles of the peoples have gathered together with the people of the God of Abraham.

All: **The rulers of the earth belong to God, and he is highly exalted.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

1st Lesson: Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader The word of the Lord People **Thanks be to God**

Te Deum

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Please be seated for the 2nd Reading

2nd Lesson: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The word of the Lord People **Thanks be to God**

Benedictus

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Gradual Hymn #247

(verses 1, 2)

HAIL THE DAY THAT SEES HIM RISE

GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-53

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you--that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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Gradual Hymn #247

(verses 3, 4)

HAIL THE DAY THAT SEES HIM RISE

SERMON – The Rev. Bonnie Skerritt

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever..

COLLECT FOR PEACE **Page 11**

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

COLLECT FOR GRACE **Page 11**

O LORD our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Offertory Hymn #86 (all verses) **BREAK NOW THE BREAD OF LIFE**

Prayer over the gifts

Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Choir Anthem: Lord of the Dance

Prayer for the Queen and the Commonwealth **Page 12**

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our Sovereign Lady, Queen ELIZABETH, the Parliaments of the Commonwealth, and all who are set in authority under her; that they may order all things in wisdom, righteousness, and peace, to the honour of thy holy Name, and the good of thy Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Clergy and People **Page 13**

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our Bishops and Clergy, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ *Amen.*

Prayers of the People **Page 14**

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of people; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; [**especially those for whom our prayers are desired;*] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, We thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness To us and to all people; [**particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings.*] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; But above all for thine inestimable love In the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; For the means of grace, And for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, That our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, And that we show forth thy praise, Not only with our lips, but in our lives; By giving up ourselves to thy service, And by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn # 379

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

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Thank you for joining us at church today,
Please join us in the main hall after the Service for
REFRESHMENTS & FELLOWSHIP.

- **Valerie's Retirement** : One of hallmarks I have experienced while in the office at St. Paul's is parishioners dropping by the office and visiting. Therefore, I would like to invite you to drop by the church (during Office Hours) on **Thursday, June 2nd**, to share memories and enjoy a slice of "retirement" cake and refreshments in the main hall.

Rev Bonnie together with Bishop Riscylla Shaw and The Rev, Canon Ted McCollum invite you to a service of Induction and Celebration of New Ministry on Sunday June 5th - 4:00 p.m. Refreshments to follow service