



**Celebration of New Ministry for
The Rev. Bonnie Skerritt
& the people of St Paul's, Lindsay**

June 5th, 2022 – Day of Pentecost

Prelude – Alleluia No. 1

Land 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 Chippewayan dialects. The treaty includes all of the City of Kawartha Lakes. We also recognize the enduring presence of First Nations peoples on this land.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Welcome

Processional Hymn – Alleluia! Sing to Jesus CP 374

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

People: **And also with you.**

Bishop: There is one body and one spirit

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us.**

Bishop: One Lord, one faith, one baptism.

People: **One God and Father of all.**

Bishop: My brothers and sisters in Christ, Bonnie Skerritt has been chosen to be the Incumbent of this Parish of St Paul's, Lindsay. After prayerful consideration, and according to the practice of this Diocese, I have appointed Bonnie to this position of leadership in our common ministry. This ministry continues the good work done through the years in this community, and is part of the work and witness of the whole Church.

Let us Pray (*remain standing*).

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in our vocation and ministry, we may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Collect for Pentecost

All: **Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The congregation may be seated

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Reader When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,

Leader May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; * may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

People **He looks at the earth and it trembles; * he touches the mountains and they smoke.**

Leader I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; * I will praise my God while I have my being.

People **May these words of mine please him; * I will rejoice in the Lord.**

Leader Hallelujah!

All ***O God of eternal light, heaven and earth are the work of your hands, and all creation sings your praise and beauty. As in the beginning, by your Spirit, you gave life and order to all that is, so by the same Spirit redeem us and all things, through Christ our Lord.***

2nd Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Reader 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 The word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Hymn – Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove
CP 644, v. 1 & 2**

HOLY GOSPEL John 14:8-17, 25-27
Gospeller The Rev. Canon Greg Physick

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Gospeller

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

All

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Philip said to him, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, “Show us the Father”? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

‘I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Gospeller

The Gospel of Christ

All

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

**Gradual Hymn – Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove
CP 644, v. 3 & 4**

Homily

The Rev. Jesse Parker

The Apostles’ Creed

Bishop

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE COVENANT IN MINISTRY

The Parish Selection Committee shall stand with the new Incumbent before the Bishop and shall say together:

Bishop, on behalf of the people of Parish of St Paul's, Lindsay we ask you to proceed with the induction of Bonnie Skerritt as our Incumbent.

The Bishop asks the Regional Dean to read the Verification of Appointment.

The Bishop addresses the Incumbent and says:

Do you, Bonnie Skerritt in the presence of this congregation to which you have been called to be priest and pastor, commit yourself to this trust and responsibility?

Incumbent: I do

Members of the Parish are asked to stand.

Bishop: Do you the people of the Parish of St Paul's, Lindsay having accepted Bonnie Skerritt to be your priest and pastor, commit yourselves to share with her in the ministry of this Parish?

People: We do.

The Incumbent faces the people.

Incumbent: I, Bonnie Skerritt commit myself to you, the people of St Paul's, Lindsay as your priest and pastor, bringing my strengths and weaknesses, my hopes and concerns, my gifts and talents bestowed on me by God's grace, and will endeavour, with the help of God, to share with you in the ministry of this parish, in the name of Christ, with the empowering of the Holy Spirit.

Parish Members:

We the people of St Paul's, Lindsay, commit ourselves to you as our priest and pastor, bringing our strengths and weaknesses, our hopes and concerns, our gifts and talents bestowed on us by God's Grace, and will endeavour with the help of God, to share with you in the ministry of this parish, in the name of Christ, with the empowering of the Holy Spirit.

The Selection Committee presents the Incumbent with symbols of their ministry

Committee: Bonnie, on behalf of this Parish, and in obedience to the mandate of the Bishop, we present to you the keys of this Parish, in token that we acknowledge you as our lawful pastor and priest in charge of this Parish.

We present to you this Bible in token that you proclaim the Gospel among us in word and example.

We present to you this chalice and paten in token that you celebrate Christ's transformative love in the mystery of His Body and Blood.

We present to you these Canons in token that you use your gifts of administration in the parish, always seeking wise counsel from the Holy Spirit.

We present to you this compass in token that you will guide and direct this parish on our journey together, through steep and rocky terrain and along peaceful trails, always walking in the way that our Heavenly Father would have us go.

Incumbent: I receive these symbols at your hands as the pledge of your recognition of me as your appointed Incumbent. As we make this journey together, may we be an open, welcoming community,

loving one another as Jesus loved us and greeting Christ in all who come through our doors.

All others are asked to stand.

Bishop: As brothers and sisters in the body of Christ and witnesses to this covenant, will you support Bonnie and the people of St Paul's, Lindsay in their ministry together?

People: **We will.**

The Bishop and Selection Committee lead the new Incumbent to take her place in the chancel.

Bishop: Bonnie, on behalf of the church in the Diocese of Toronto, you have accepted this charge which is mine and yours. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, I commission you, Bonnie and the people of St Paul's Lindsay, to worship and work together to the glory of God, for the building up of the Body of Christ, and the proclamation of his reign to this community.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The new Incumbent calls the people to prayer, saying:

Brothers and sisters in Christ, we are called to proclaim the story of God's love and mercy and, above all, the gospel of our Saviour Christ: I ask your prayers as together we commit ourselves to ministry in this Parish and community.

Leader: Let us pray for Bonnie, who has come among us to preach the Word of God, to administer the Holy Sacraments, to teach the faith, and to serve the whole people of God. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We are called to be a sign and witness of God's purpose for all the human family: I ask your prayers for Bonnie who has come among us to share our joys and sorrows, to counsel, reconcile, and comfort and to nurture this community of faith. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: I ask your prayers for the committees and organizations of this church and community, and for Bonnie that in

wisdom and humility, in discernment and good humour she may join with us in working for the building up of Christ's Church. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: I ask your prayers for us all, that together we may learn the ways of the God's reign, patterned in worship and practiced in love. Together may we welcome strangers, stand with outcasts, and support those who are broken, in the pattern of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: I ask your prayers for Lindsay, the City of Kawartha Lakes, its Mayor and Council; for our Province of Ontario, its Premier and Legislature; for our country of Canada, the Prime Minister and Parliament; that our communities may be places of justice and freedom for all. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: I ask your prayers for all who are in any kind of need or trouble; for those who are sick in body or mind; for the dying; for the hungry and homeless; and especially for all whom our society and world neglects, rejects, or despises. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: I ask your prayers for all who have died, especially those who in years past have worked to build up the Parish and the church with love for Christ and for this place; and I ask your prayers that we will be worthy stewards of what they have built and continue their good work. Lord in your mercy;

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Bishop: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Bishop presents the new Incumbent to the congregation.

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

The members of the community greet one another in the name of the Lord.

**Offertory Hymn – My Life Flows On in Endless Song
CP 401**

Our offering this evening is given in support of our foster children and The Arms of Jesus Children’s Mission

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Bishop Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Bishop We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that

he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Bishop

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me." Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bishop And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us**

**from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of Bread

Bishop

“I am the bread which has come down from heaven,” says the Lord.

All

Give us this bread for ever.

Bishop

“I am the vine, you are the branches.”

All

May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

Bishop

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All

Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI

Bishop

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

All

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world, grant us peace.**

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Bishop

Those wishing to do so may make their spiritual
communion by joining in this prayer with me now:

People:

**I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ,
present in the Holy Sacrament and in your
people, who are gathered in spirit. In this
moment I join with them to receive you in
my heart, and in our community. May you,
enthroned on the altar, now be enthroned in
my heart; may you who give yourself to us
again, fill us with grace, and heavenly
blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger
for you and for your reign of justice and
peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit,
work for that day when your reign shall
come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

Hymns during Eucharist

Just As I Am CP 615

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup CP 63

Anthem – Spirit, Open My Heart

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION & DOXOLOGY

Bishop

Let us pray,

Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bishop

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.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn – Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

CP 444

Dismissal

Incumbent

Go now in peace to love and serve the Lord

All

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude – The Day Thou Gavest CP 29