

St Paul's Anglican Church

May 10, 2026
Easter 6/Mother's Day

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Incumbent – The Rev. Bonnie Skerritt

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Music Director – Arlene Gray

10:00 am **Holy Eucharist BAS**

Service Order

Prelude This is My Song (Finlandia) – Lani Smith

Processional Hymn 425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Indigenous Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated on the traditional territory of the Mississauga peoples and is covered by the Williams Treaties. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile ourselves, and to work for justice and reconciliation with the peoples and the land. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. **Amen.**

Sentence

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you.
See John 14.23

The Gathering of the Community (All Stand)

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy

Celebrant Almighty God,

All to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,

All and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading – Acts 17:22-31

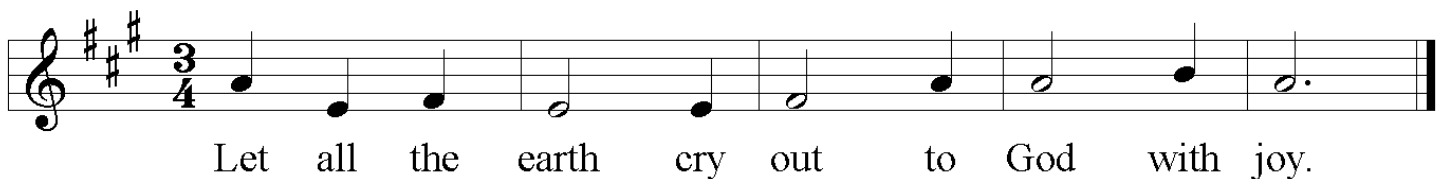
Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything

in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we, too, are his offspring.’ “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm – 66:7-18



Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard; Who holds our souls in life and will not allow our feet to slip. **R**

For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried. You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs. **R**

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. **R**

I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows, which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble. I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; I will give you oxen and goats. **R**

Come and listen, all you who fear God, and I will tell you what he has done for me. I called out to him with my mouth, and his praise was on my tongue.

R

If I had found evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me; But in truth God has heard me; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, nor withheld his love from me. **R**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Second Reading – 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 628 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High vs 1,2

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Gospel – John 14:15-21

“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 forever. 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 will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn 628 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High vs 6,7

Homily Rev Bonnie Skerritt

The Apostles’ Creed

Celebrant 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 Prayers of the People

In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, “Hear us, Lord of glory!”)

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory! Amen

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn We are One in the Spirit

1. We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand; We will walk
with each other, we will walk hand in hand; And together we'll spread
the news that God is in our land. **Chorus**

3. We Will work with each other, we will work side by side; We will work
with each other, we will work side by side; And we'll guard each man's
dignity and save each man's pride. **Chorus**

4. All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one. **Chorus**

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to
that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his
name. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer 5

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

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

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a
world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power
you sustain the universe.

People (sung) **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant 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 the Bread

Celebrant Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All Now we are raised to new life.

Celebrant We were buried in your tomb.

All Now we share in your resurrection.

Celebrant Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer, redeemer of the world,

Give us your peace, give us your peace.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. All others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. Currently, intinction (dipping the bread in the wine) is strictly prohibited for hygienic reason. If desired, you may instead lay your hands on the base of the chalice.

Hymns during Communion

Eucharist 1: 66 And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love

Eucharist 2: Mothering God, You Gave Us Birth (Sing 58)

1. Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.

2. Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.

3. Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flower, until I know.

Altar Flowers

*To the Glory of God in
thanksgiving for Rev.
Bonnie's ministry with us.*

Anthem: Ten Thousand Reasons/Bless the Lord

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death.
May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will,
in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen**

Doxology

Celebrant 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

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen
you to walk with him in his risen life; and the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you and those you love, this day and
every day. **Amen.**

Announcements

Recessional Hymn – 429 For the Beauty of the Earth (DIX)

Dismissal

Celebrant: Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, go,
serve the world God loves!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Because – Guy D'Hardelot

"As a mother, my job is to take care of the possible and trust God with the impossible." -Ruth Bell Graham

Next Week's Readings

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 93

Ephesians 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

Happy Mother's Day to all the women in the congregation! As a token of our

appreciation for the nurturing you do, our greeters will be handing out carnations to each of you at the end of the service.

The Designated Giving for May # 215 will benefit Our **FOSTER CHILDREN** in Latin America where they enjoy the protection of S.O.S. Children's Villages and the Arms of Jesus Mission. We at St. Paul's are their sole sponsor. It is only through our donations that these children are comfortably housed, well nourished, much loved and educated for a successful future.

5th Anniversary celebration for Rev. Bonnie at coffee hour on **Today**, Mother's Day. Come and celebrate!

Refreshment Time Helpers: The sign-up sheet is looking rather thin for spring. Please consider signing up on the board. Thank you to the many folks who do regularly support this important ministry!

Pantry Call We need all sorts including canned meat, pasta noodles and soup for the pantry. All foodstuffs gratefully received. Thanks!

Advisory Board meeting May 19 @ 1:30

Screening sessions postponed to the fall



Thy Kingdom Come: who will you pray for this year?

Please join us in observing the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost, dedicated as a special time to pray for others to come to know Jesus or to come back to church, now known as TKC or Thy Kingdom Come. In this time of epidemic levels of loneliness, our prayers for others are needed greatly. Pick up a prayer card, sign up for a prayer journal or Novena, or look for the special section in May's Grapevine to

assist you with praying for "thy kingdom come". May God richly bless you and those you pray for through your prayers!

TKC Prayer Journals and **Novenas** are available. This year's Novena is written by our new Archbishop of Canterbury, Sarah Mullally. Please sign up

for one by May 7th and it will be ready to pick up on May 10th. After that time, please speak with Rev. Bonnie or Arlene and we will print one for you.



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May Events!


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A reminder to wear **nametags**
Help others know who you are. New holders available
We Strive to be a Scent free space

 Please join us at 10am for our Sunday services! *All are welcome!*

Office Hours.
 Tuesday -Thursday
 9 – 12.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24TH

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4:30 – 6:30PM

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Church office: (705) 324-4666 (Tues. to Thurs. 9am-noon)

Upcoming choral Concerts
 (includes St Paul's members)

Kawartha Lakes Singers: *Classical and Canada Strong* featuring Brahms
 Hungarian Dances - piano duets
 Sunday May 24 @ 2:30 Cambridge Street United Church
 \$25 Adult, \$10 children



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 Worshipping with us
 Today.



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