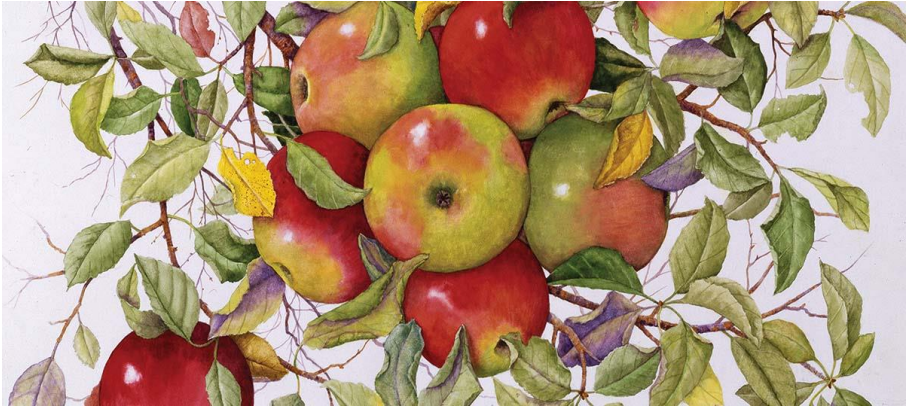


St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke

Creation 3 – Sept. 18, 2022

10:30 Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayer



We welcome you to worship this morning.

Our celebration is joyful, reflective, playful and reverent, as we thank God for new life through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Anglicans move in worship: kneeling, standing, crossing themselves, feeling the beat – you'll find 'cues' in this order of service.

We invite you to join us in the Parish Hall after the service for refreshments and conversation (follow the path and the crowd through the cemetery).

The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Anishinabek Nations, and the Mississauga of the Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island.

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 work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

Gathering of the Community

Christians around the world are invited to give particular attention to praying and caring for God's creation as part of the global Season of Creation, observed from September 1 to October 4 every year. General Synod 2019 passed a resolution adopting the Season of Creation in the Anglican Church of Canada as a time of prayer, education, and action and encouraging dioceses and parishes to participate.

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, and Announcements

The prayer bell calls us to silent preparation

Greeting

The heavens declare the glory of God.

The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

The plants and trees show God's presence.

Let us join with creation in praising God.

Hymn 415 *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Refrain

**All things bright and beautiful
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.**

1. **Each radiant flower that opens,
each vibrant bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours
God made their lively wings**

Refrain

2. **The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruit in the garden,
God made them everyone.**

Refrain

3. **The rocky mountain splendour,
the loon's wild, haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forest in the fall.**

Refrain

4. **God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is the Creator,
who has made all things well.**

Refrain

Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

O God,
anoint us with the healing Spirit of consolation and joy,
so that we may rejoice in the richness of your love
and be faithful stewards of your many gifts.

Amen.

Children's Time

Breaking Open the Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 8.18—9.1

Reader: Mieke Nicholson

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick. Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land: Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her? ("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?") The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored? O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 79.1—9

Musical score for Psalm 79.1-9. The score is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked *mp*. The melody is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "Help us, O God of our sal - va - tion." The chords are: D (first measure), D7 (second measure), G (third measure), A7 (fourth measure), Dsus2 (fifth measure), and D (sixth measure).

O God, foreigners have entered your inheritance,
desecrated your holy temple,
made Jerusalem a ruin.

**They left your servants' bodies as food for the birds,
the flesh of your loved ones for wild animals.**

They poured out their blood like water all over Jerusalem,
with no one to bury the dead.

**We have become a contempt to our neighbours,
a mockery and scorn to everyone around us.**

♪ **Help us, O God of our salvation.**

How long, O Holy One?

Will you be angry forever?

Will your jealousy blaze like fire eternally?

Pour out your wrath on the nations who do not know you,
and on kingdoms that do not call on your name.

**They have devoured Jacob
and destroyed people's homes.**

Do not hold our former sins against us!

**Let your compassion come to us quickly,
for we are desperately weak.**

O God our deliverer help us
for the glory of your name!

**Rescue us and pardon our sins
for your name's sake.**


♪ **Help us, O God of our salvation. (repeat)**

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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The Holy Gospel: Luke 13.12–17


 He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan,
 He - le, he - le - lu - yan,
 He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan,
 He - le, he - le - lu - yan. (*repeats*)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your

bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

♪ He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan,
He - le, he - le - lu - yan,
He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan,
He - le, he - le - lu - yan. (*repeats*)

Sermon: Reverend Mike Stuchbery

The Prayers of the People

Leader: Greg Lane

We sit or kneel as we are most attentive for prayer.

On this Healing Sunday, let us gather up those named in our Congregational Prayer List that we might entrust them, their specific situations, and their particular needs, to God's care, praying in the name of Jesus, the Great Physician, and the Lord of Life.

The prayer bell calls us into silence

God the holy one, your will for all people is health and salvation.

We praise you and thank you, O God.

God the incarnate Word, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly.

We praise you and thank you, O God.

God the abiding Spirit, you make our bodies a temple of your presence.

We praise you and thank you, O God.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being.

We praise you and thank you, O God.

Loving God, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or recovering from surgery, that they may be made whole.

We remember especially Probhat and family, Gabriel, Debbie, Wilf, Grayson, Jeff, Michael, Richard, Carolyn, Merrill, Penny, Nicole, Joe and Betty-Ann.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious or despondent, a knowledge of your will and awareness of your presence.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

Mend broken relationships and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

Grant to the dying, peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved. With thanksgiving we remember before you Joyce Coombs, Terri Wilkinson, Kay Gold, Margaret and Frank McLain and Jessie and Alex Hillis.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

You are the God who does wonders.

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O God, is the well of life.

And in your light we see light.

Hear us, source of all goodness and life.

Hear us, and make us whole. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

All creation invites us to join our voices in praise to God. Trusting in God's mercy and grace, let us confess our sin to God and one another.

The Prayer Bell calls us to silent reflection

Generous God, you created us and placed us here to care for all of creation. Forgive us for turning away from you and for neglecting the earth. Raise us up and make us again stewards of your creation that we may see your presence in all that surrounds us; through Christ we pray. Amen.

Hear and receive this good news to all who long to see and encounter Christ. Today, salvation comes to this house. Know that we are forgiven and live in peace with one another and with the earth. **Amen.**

Anointing and Prayers for Healing

We now have a time of prayer for God's healing in our own lives and in the lives of those we care for. We begin with a unison prayer, then all who wish may come forward for prayer and anointing by one of the prayer teams. Unless coming forward for prayer we remain seated and are invited to sing.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who inspired Luke the physician to proclaim the love and healing power of your Son, give your Church, by the grace of the Spirit and the medicine of the gospel, the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Hymn 531 *You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord*

1. **You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"**

Refrain

**And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**

2. **Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield. *Refrain***
3. **You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come. *Refrain***
4. **For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Refrain***

Hymn 508 *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

1. **I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.**
2. **I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus and I drank
of that life-giving stream
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived
and now I live in him.**
3. **I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till traveling days are done.**

The Peace

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

The Offertory

We offer ourselves and our monetary gifts for the support of the ministry of the Church.

The Canticle of the Sun – St. Francis

Refrain

**The heavens are telling the glory of God,
and all creation is shouting for joy.
Come, dance in the forest, come, play in the field,
and sing, – sing to the glory of the Lord.**

- 1. Praise for the sun, the bringer of day,
He carries the light of the Lord in his rays;
The moon and the stars who light up the way
Unto your throne. —**

Refrain

- 2. Praise for the wind that blows through the trees,
The seas mighty storms – the gentlest breeze;
They blow where they will, the blow where they please
To please the Lord. —**

Refrain

- 3. Praise for the rain that waters the fields,
And blesses our crops – so all the earth yields;
From death unto life her myst'ry revealed
Springs forth in joy. —**

Refrain

- 4. Praise for the fire who gives us his light,
The warmth of the sun – to brighten our night;
He dances with joy, his spirit so bright,
He sings of you. —**

Refrain

- 5. Praise for the earth who makes life to grow,
The creatures you made – to let your life show;
The flowers and trees that help us to know
The heart of love. —**

Refrain

6. **Praise for our death that makes our life real,
The knowledge of loss – that helps us to feel;
The gift of yourself, your presence revealed
To lead us home. —**

Refrain

Prayer Over the Gifts

Let us pray.

God of power,
the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe.
Accept our offering this day,
and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

As able, we continue standing together in thanksgiving before God.

Eucharistic Prayer

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right in all times and in all places to thank and praise you
Creator of all.

We praise you here in Southern Ontario where city and farm,
wilderness and industry are side by side. We praise you at a time
when the body of earth is broken again and again.

We give thanks for our place in the story of salvation. Our ancestors
journeyed with you in creation and migration. They depended on the
land, were displaced from the land and displaced others from their
lands. They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains and by wells,
in families and in dreams, and through wilderness prophets who
spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.

Together with angels and ancestors, beluga and trout, bear and raven, trillium and cedar we join our voices with all creation in this ancient song of praise:

♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Gi - chi Ma - ni - do,**
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the high - est.

We give thanks to you for Jesus, whose first bed was a feed trough. He was baptized in the Jordan, tested in the wilderness, he traveled in fishing boats and told parables of farmers and seeds, labour and wages, yeast and bread.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, food of the poor, the work of field and hearth, he gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his friends saying: Take and eat, this is my body, given for you, do this to remember me.

Again after supper he took the cup of wine, fruit of the land, gave thanks and gave it to his friends saying: This is my blood, which is shed for you. When you do this, do it in memory of me.

Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection and awaiting his coming kingdom, we offer you this bread and this cup.

Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts so that we know Jesus in them and are gathered together with everyone who shares this sacred meal of justice and community. Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that we may strive for justice and peace, respect the dignity of every human being, and safeguard the integrity of creation. Bring us with all your saints to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily, child and beggar which is both now and yet to come.

All honor and glory are yours, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

As able, we remain standing

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all,
you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered
and made into this one bread.

**So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Server – Donna Durdle, Communion Assistant – Mieke Nicholson

Baptized persons of any Church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available – ask the priest. If you prefer not to drink the wine, simply return to your seat having received the fullness of Communion in the bread alone. The Diocese of Toronto does not permit dipping the wafer into the cup (intinction).

If you prefer not to receive Communion but would like a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest when you come forward to indicate this to the priest.

Those worshipping at home are invited to pray the *Prayer for Spiritual Communion*, while those physically present come forward to receive the bread.

**Jesus, I believe that you are present with us
in the sacrament of bread and wine.**

I love you and I desire your presence afresh in my life.

**Since I cannot now receive the bread and wine of the altar,
come spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace you and unite myself to you;
never let me be separated from you. Amen.**

Communion Music

Balm in Gilead

Refrain:

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

1. **Sometimes I feel discouraged
And think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again.**

Refrain

2. **Don't ever be discouraged,
For Jesus is your friend;
And if you lack for knowledge,
He'll ne'er refuse to lend.**

Refrain

3. **If you can't preach like Peter,
If you can't pray like Paul,
Just tell the love of Jesus,
And say, "He died for all!"**

Refrain

Prayer After Communion

As we depart, a Prayer for our Earth.

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.

**You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon
us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.**

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming
no one.

**O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten
of this earth, so precious in your eyes.**

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey
on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

**Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of
the poor and the earth.**

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and
contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every
creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

Amen.

Glory to God,
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, forever and ever.
Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

God the Father, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.

Amen.

God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation, help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace.

Amen.

and the blessing of God almighty, Creator, Incarnate One, and the Giver of Life, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Hymn 425 *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

1. **Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love,
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.**
2. **All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.**

3. **Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father and our Mother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.**

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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