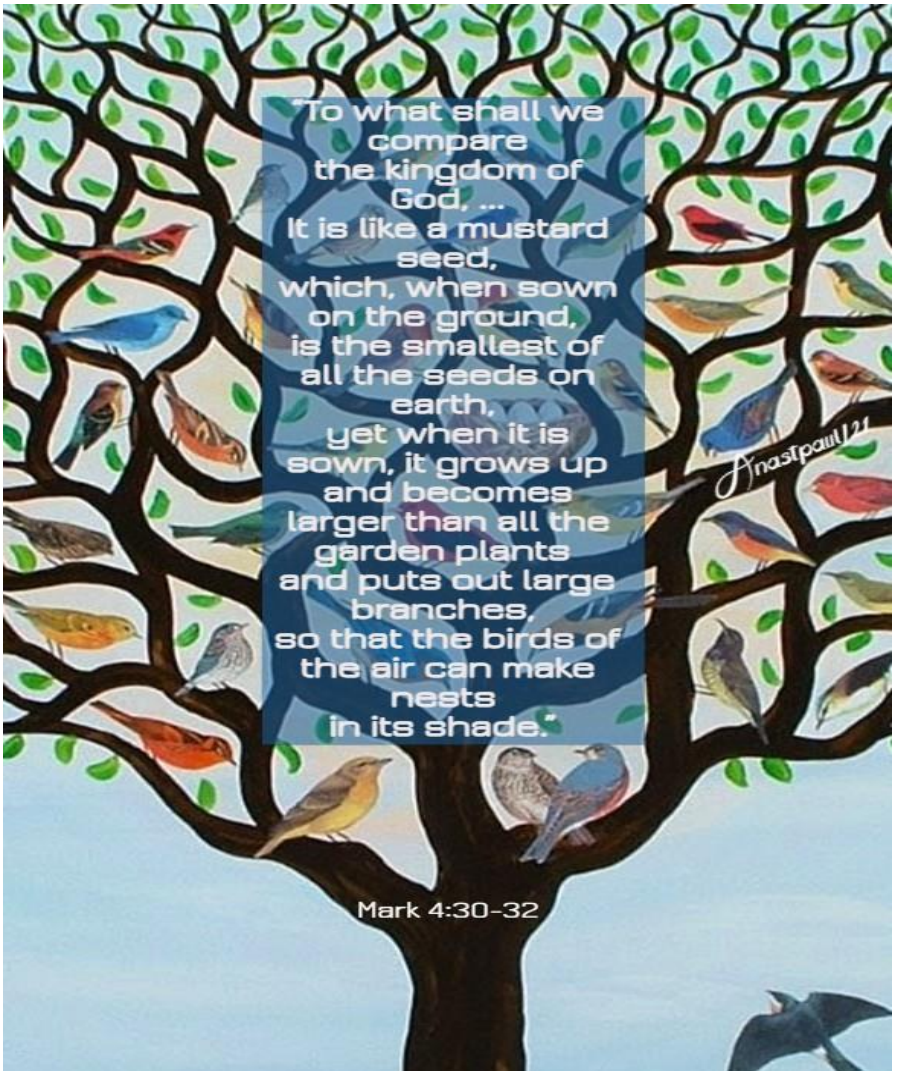


St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke  
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost – July 21, 2024  
Morning Prayer - A Service of the Word



*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.  
Welcome to Eric Hanbury, guest organist.*

## Gathering of the Community

Organ Prelude: *Choral and Fugue* -- Felix Mendelssohn

*Welcome*

Land Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving

Creator, you made all people of every land in your image,  
and entrusted them with the care of the earth.

**It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect  
to those who first occupied this land we are upon.**

**We give thanks to the Huron-Wendat,  
Haudenosaunee and Anishinabek Nations,  
and the Mississauga of the Credit First Nation:  
the first peoples of this land.**

**We offer our respect**

**to those ancestors who may be buried in this land.**

**We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land.**

**Creator let us be of Good Mind**

**to reconcile the mistreatment of this land  
and those who have been displaced.**

**Give us attentiveness so that we may hear and give thanks  
for Indigenous voices in our Anglican Church of Canada.**

**Give us sincere and open hearts  
so that we may embrace the work of reconciliation  
to which you call your Church.**

**With thankful and respectful hearts,  
we pray in Your name,**

**Your Son the Peacemaker  
and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.**

*The prayer bell calls us to silent preparation*

Hymn 59 *Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him*

1. **Jesus calls us here to meet him  
As through word and song and prayer  
We affirm God's promised presence  
Where his people live and care.  
Praise the God who keeps his promise;  
Praise the Son who calls us friends;  
Praise the Spirit who, among us,  
To our hopes and fears attends.**

2. **Jesus calls us to confess him  
Word of Life and Lord of All,  
Sharer of our flesh and frailness  
Saving all who fail or fall.  
Tell his holy human story;  
Tell his tales that all may hear;  
Tell the world that Christ in glory  
Came to earth to meet us here.**
  
3. **Jesus calls us to each other:  
Found in him are no divides.  
Race and class and sex and language-  
Such are barriers he derides.  
Join the hand of friend and stranger;  
Join the hands of age and youth;  
Join the faithful and the doubter  
In their common search for truth.**

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

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

**Most merciful God, 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.**

Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Holy God of Israel,  
draw us near to you,  
so that, in place of hostility, there may be peace;  
in place of loneliness, compassion;  
in place of aimlessness, direction;  
and in place of sickness, healing;  
through Christ Jesus, in whom you draw near to us. **Amen.**

## Breaking Open the Word

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Reader: Irene Thompson

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies.

Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 89. 20 – 37

*We sing the Refrain twice through at the beginning and the end, once elsewhere*

Capo 3 Em *mp* F#dim7 Em (Em7) Am7 Em Am7 Am Bsus4 B B7aug Esus4 Em *slower and softer*

May we ev - er be faith - ful to your cov - e - nant, O Ho - ly One.

**May we ever be faithful to your covenant, O Holy One.**

I have found David, my servant.

**With my holy oil I anointed him,  
my hand will support him,  
my arm strengthen.**

No enemy shall overpower him,  
no scoundrel undermine him.

**I will crush his enemies,  
strike down those who hate him.**

My fidelity and faithful love are with him;  
through my name his power shall be great.

**I will make him rule the sea,  
have dominion over the rivers.**

He shall declare to me,

**'You are my Father,  
my God, my secure rock.'**

I shall take him as my firstborn,  
exalted over the kings of the world.

**Forever shall I keep faith with him,  
be true to my covenant.**

I shall uphold his descendants forever,  
**maintain his throne firm as the heavens.**

♪ **May we ever be faithful to your covenant, O Holy One.**

Should his children desert my teaching,  
fail to follow my rules,  
violate my statutes,  
disobey my commands,

**I will punish their wickedness with rods,  
their crimes with plagues.**

My faithful love for him shall not fail,  
nor shall I betray my fidelity.

**I will not violate my covenant,  
nor alter what I have proclaimed.**

Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness,  
**"I shall not lie to David.**

His descendants shall go on forever,  
his throne like the sun before me.

**It will be firm as the moon,  
an enduring witness in the skies."**

♪ **May we ever be faithful to your covenant, O Holy One.**

Ephesians 2:11-22

Reader: Zachary Parkin Trudeau

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" - a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands - remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

♪ Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le ' lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le ' lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le ' lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! ' Hal - le - lu - jah! (*repeats*)

The Holy Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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

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

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of Christ.

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

♪ Hal – le, hal – le, hal – le ‘ lu – jah!...

Sermon: The Reverend Greg Lane

## Affirmation of Faith

Hear, O Israel,  
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,  
with all your mind, and with all your strength.  
This is the first and the great commandment.  
The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.  
There is no commandment greater than these.

## Prayers of the People

Leader: Grace Mburu

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

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we join our voices in prayer.

*A brief silence*

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land: Through the One who is the cornerstone of a firm foundation, join us together and build us up as a temple of mercy and peace. We pray for Mike, our Incumbent; Greg, our deacon; Kevin, Ryscilla and Andrew our Bishops; Anne our Metropolitan; and Linda our Primate.  
In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the creation: Cause new trees to be planted. Restrain the melting of polar ice caps. Save land from destruction. Like a shepherd tends her sheep, raise up from among us caretakers of all you have made. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of nations and heads of tribes. Where peace seems far off, bring it near. Where justice seems fleeting, bring it to light. Where discord seems relentless, bring harmony.  
In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the health and well-being of family, friends, and neighbors: Heal those who are sick, especially Ruth, Ken, Mary and Rick. Give courage to all who struggle with addiction. Touch with your tender care all who reach out to you in pain.  
In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**



For this assembly and for the faith communities represented this week at the National Lutheran/Anglican Worship Conference in Regina and for Fr. Mike and Tracy who are attending: nurture our faith as we worship together. May our prayers and songs of praise break down dividing walls and inspire collaboration among people of every age. In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In thanksgiving for those who have died, and for those who mourn their loss, especially Andrew and Doreen. Make us certain that in Christ we are no longer strangers and aliens but citizens with the saints in the household of God.

In your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, holy and merciful: into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## Anointing and Healing Prayer

**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.**

*All who wish may come forward for prayer and anointing by our prayer team.*

Hymn 638 *O Holy Spirit, By Whose Breath*

- 1. O Holy Spirit by whose breath  
life rises vibrant out of death,  
come to create, renew, inspire;  
come kindle in our hearts your fire.**
- 2. You are the seeker's sure resource,  
of burning love the living source,  
protector in the midst of strife,  
the giver and the Lord of life.**

3. In you God's energy is shown;  
to us your varied gifts made known.  
Teach us to speak; teach us to hear;  
yours is the tongue and yours the ear.
4. Flood our dull senses with your light;  
in mutual love our hearts unite.  
Your power the whole creation fills;  
confirm our weak, uncertain wills.
5. From inner strife grant us release.  
Turn nations to the ways of peace.  
To fuller life your people bring,  
that as one body we may sing:  
  
praise to the Father, Christ his Word,  
and to the Spirit: God the Lord.

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.

Hymn 657 *Loving Spirit*

1. **Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,  
you have chosen me to be\_\_\_\_  
you have drawn me to your wonder,  
you have set your sign on me.**
2. **Like a mother, you enfold me,  
hold my life within your own,  
feed me with your very body,  
form me of your flesh and bone.**
3. **Like a father, you protect me,  
teach me the discerning eye,  
hoist me up upon your shoulder,  
let me see the world from high.**
4. **Friend and lover, in your closeness  
I am known and held and blessed;  
in your promise is my comfort,  
in your presence I may rest.**
5. **Loving Spirit, loving Spirit,  
you have chosen me to be\_\_\_\_  
you have drawn me to your wonder,  
you have set your sign on me.**

## **The Offertory**

Hymn 585 *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

1. **Lord, whose love in humble service,  
bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross forsaken,  
worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship  
not of voice alone, but heart;  
consecrating to your purpose  
every gift which you impart.**
2. **Still your children wander homeless,  
still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom;  
still in grief we mourn our dead.**

**As you, Lord, in deep compassion  
healed the sick and freed the soul,  
by your Spirit send your power  
to our world and make it whole.**

- 3. As we worship, grant us vision  
till your love's revealing light  
in its height and depth and greatness  
dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making known the needs and burdens  
your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to ardent service,  
your abundant life to share.**

### Prayer Over the Gifts

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.  
Through your goodness  
you have blessed us with these gifts:  
ourselves, our time and our possessions.  
Use us, and what we have gathered,  
in feeding the world with your love,  
through the one who gave himself for us,  
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

**Amen.**

## Prayers and Final Responses

### 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.**

## Doxology

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Final Blessing

May God keep us in all our days.  
May Christ shield us in all our ways.  
May the Spirit bring us healing and peace.  
May the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from us  
and pour upon us blessing and light.  
**Amen.**

## Hymn 628 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

- 1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high!  
it fills the heart with ecstasy,  
that God, the Son of God, should take  
our mortal form for mortals' sake.**
- 2. God sent no angel to our race,  
of higher or of lower place,  
but wore the robe of human frame  
for us, and to this lost world came.**
- 3. For us he was baptized, and bore  
his holy fast and hungered sore;  
for us temptations sharp he knew;  
for us the tempter overthrew.**
- 4. For us he prayed, for us he taught,  
for us his daily works he wrought;  
by words and signs, and actions thus  
still seeking not himself but us.**
- 5. For us by wickedness betrayed,  
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,  
he bore the shameful cross and death;  
for us at length gave up his breath.**

6. **For us he rose from death again,  
for us he went on high to reign,  
for us he sent his Spirit here  
to guide to strengthen and to cheer.**
7. **To God whose boundless love has won  
salvation for us through the Son,  
to God the Father, glory be  
both now and through eternity.**

Dismissal

Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,  
serve the world God loves.

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude - *Allegro* -- Felix Mendelssohn

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