

St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke

Epiphany 5

February 9, 2025

10:30 Holy Eucharist



And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

– Luke 5:11

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.

“St. Philip’s lives out the gospel call of Christ by worshipping, praying, asking questions, learning together and loving one another as we offer ourselves in service to the world in Jesus’ name.”

We invite you to be part of this community in Christ as we dwell together in God’s love.

Gathering of the Community

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.**

**We give thanks for indigenous voices
in our Anglican Church of Canada.**

**Give us attentive ears to hear them,
and sincere and open hearts
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



I Have a Dream

1. **"I have a dream!" From prophet's word;
an ancient truth, that must be heard;
a land that's filled with faithfulness;
where justice reigns in righteousness,
where justice reigns in righteousness.**
2. **But when that dream is still deferred
and empires claim to be preferred,
equality and justice want,
then we are called to dream again,
then we are called to dream again.**

3. **The dream may change from age to age,
the right to vote, a living wage,
a safe walk home, the dignity
of one beloved community,
of one beloved community,**
4. **This dream involves a sacred trust:
to put away all that's unjust,
to live the words that we profess,
to pledge ourselves to righteousness,
to pledge ourselves to righteousness.**
5. **We will not quit, nor cede the past.
We'll dream 'til all are free at last.
Let justice roll, a mighty stream.
Let mercy rise, fulfill the dream,
let mercy rise, fulfill the dream.**

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.

Almighty God,

**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.**

Collect of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord of the deep waters,
you call us from the safety of the shore
to an adventure of the Spirit:
open wide our arms to embrace the world
you dare us to serve;
through Jesus Christ your living Word.

Amen.

Breaking Open the Word

Isaiah 6:1-8

Reader: *Michele Parkin*

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138

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



Great is the Ho - ly One's glo - ry.

Holy One, with all my heart I thank you
and sing to you before the divine assembly.

I bow down to your holy temple.

I praise your name because you are loving and faithful,
and have magnified your name and your word.

**On the day I called, you answered
and empowered my very soul.**

♪ **Great is the Holy One's glory.**

All the rulers of the world praise you, Holy One,
for they have heard the words you speak.

They sing of your ways,

“Great is the Holy One’s glory!”
**You are highly exalted,
yet you watch over the poor
and are aware of the proud from far away.**

♪ **Great is the Holy One’s glory.**

When I come upon scoundrels,
you enliven me to face the enemies’ fury,
stretching out your hand,
saving me with your right hand.
**You will avenge me!
O Holy One, your faithful love is eternal;
do not desert what your hands have made!**

♪ **Great is the Holy One’s glory.** (*repeat*)

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Reader: *Peter Satya*

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them - though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.
Thanks be to God.

♪ **Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le ‘ lu - jah!** (X3)

Hal - le - lu - jah! ‘ Hal - le - lu - jah!

The Holy Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

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.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

♪ Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le ' lu - jah! (X3)

Hal - le - lu - jah! ' Hal - le - lu - jah!

Sermon: The Reverend Mike Stuchbery

Affirmation of Faith

**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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: *Greg Lane*

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

God of all peoples, whose Son reached across the ethnic boundaries between Samaritan, Roman and Jew, help us to break down the barriers in our communities, enable us to see the reality of racism and bigotry, and free us to challenge and uproot it from ourselves, our society and our world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all victims of racial hatred and discrimination, and we seek your protection for those affected in our churches, our schools, our places of work and our communities. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all in our world, of whatever race, who suffer the horrors of modern slavery. Your Son came to bring good news to the poor and freedom for the oppressed. We pray for all working to combat modern slavery and to end human trafficking: for governments and agencies, for Church and other faith leaders, for businesses, charities and individuals. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for ourselves. May we be voices against oppression and channels of the transforming power of the gospel. Open our hearts to all who suffer in our midst but out of sight. Help us to work for a world where human beings are valued, where no one is enslaved, and no one used against their will for another's pleasure or need. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that we may know the power of reconciliation. Wherever there is division between us and others, because of our race or ethnicity, we pray that we may all be led to reconciliation. We pray for all who work to bring communities together in ways that are just and equal for all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As we pray for reconciliation, we pray also for restoration. We pray for those whose spirits and communities have been weighed down by racism. Guide us as we strive to ensure everyone has equal dignity.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for restoration of body, mind and spirit for all those whom we love. We pray that your Spirit of healing may be with those we know who are in urgent need of prayer: Pat, Rick, Thelma, Myrna, Everton, Shirley H., and Gloria. And that you may bring comfort and peace to our own family and friends who live in long-term care or struggle with the difficulties that can come with ageing, especially for Shirley B., Shirley C., Carmen, Jim, Herman & Gloria, Valerie, Mae, and Pauline.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
welcoming sinners
and inviting us to this table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

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.**

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. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

The Offertory

Hymn: *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I Am Lord)*

1. **I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their vision bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

**Here I am, Lord.
Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

2. **I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain,
I have wept for love of them;
they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

3. **I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them;
my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Refrain

Prayer Over the Gifts

Let us pray.

God of compassion and forgiveness,
receive our offering this day,
and make us one with him who is our peace,
Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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,



**You are holy, you are whole.
You are always ever more
than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blesséd are you coming near.
Blesséd are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raised from dead.**

**You are holy, you are wholeness,
you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna!
Sing hosanna to our God!**

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.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

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.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

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

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Those worshipping at home are invited to pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

*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.*

Server: Andrew Batte / Communion Assistant – Oma Bawo-Oteri

Hymn 352 *Amazing Grace*

1. **Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found:
was blind, but now I see.**
2. **'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!**
3. **The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.**
4. **Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**
5. **When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we first begun.**



Rivers Of Babylon

**By the rivers of Babylon
where He sat down
and there He wept
when He remembers Zion**

**'Cause the wicked
carried us away, captivity
required from us a song
How can we sing King of our song
in a strange land?**


**'Cause the wicked
carried us away, captivity
required from us a song
How can we sing King of our song
in a strange land?**

Ah _____

So let the words of our mouth and the meditation of our heart
be acceptable in thy sight, oh, for right.

So let the words of our mouth and the meditation of our hearts
be acceptable in thy sight, oh, for right.

Ah _____

 Kwake Yesu Nasimama
(Here on Christ the Rock I Will Stand)

Refrain - Kwake Yesu nasimama,
ndiye mwamba ni salama
ndiye mwamba ni salama
ndiye mwamba ni salama

1. Jesus knows the troubles I face;
in his blood flow mercy and grace.
What he gives, I cannot repay,
all my sin he washes away.


Refrain

2. Jesus gives me strength when I'm weak;
he's the satisfaction I seek.
He's my shield when troubles draw near.
He's my comfort through every fear.

Refrain

3. When the judgement comes I will be
in Christ's presence, fearless and free,
where the courts are ringing with praise,
crowned with righteousness all my days.

Refrain

 Nma Nma dirigi (Nigerian Igbo)

Nma nma dirigi chineke
Nma nma dirige chukw'oma
Oh chineke
Oh chukw'oma

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God,
in you we find peace beyond all telling.
May we who share in this heavenly banquet
be instruments of your peace on earth,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **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, for ever and ever.

Amen.



Multi-Lingual Grace

Miigwech

Gan xie ni

Ekele

Asante (*Repeats*)

For justice, peace, and freedom

Thank you, Lord

For reconciliation

Thank you, Lord!

For joy, and pain, and caring

Thank you, Lord!

For your abundant blessings

Thank you, Lord!

Miigwech

Gan xie ni

Ekele

Asante (*Repeats*)

Olw' ebirunji byonna (For all the beautiful things)

Webale (thank you)

Olw'o okwagala kwo gwe (For your endless love)

Webale (thank you)

Olwa Famire zaffe (For our families)

Webale (thank you)

Olw'emikwano gyaffe (for our friends)

Webale (thank you)

Miigwech

Gan xie ni

Ekele

Asante (*Repeats*)

Olw'emirimu gyaffe (for our jobs)

Webale (thank you)

Olwa obulamu bwaffe (for our lives)

Webale (thank you)

Olwa amagezi gonna (for all the wisdom)

Webale (thank you)

Olw' eburunji byonna (For all the beautiful things)

Webale (thank you)

Miigwech

Gan xie ni

Ekele

Asante (Repeats)

Announcements

Flowers today are to the honour and glory of God in loving memory of Stan and Kitty Pashley given with love by the Pashley family.

Announcements

- Eucharist & Bible Study – Wednesday February 12th , 2025 – 10.00 to noon in the Church
- Centering Prayer – Every Friday – 9.30am – Via Zoom
- The Valentine High Tea on February 15, 2025, has been postponed. We apologize for any inconvenience and will share a new date soon. For inquiries, please contact Donna Farrell at 416-901-3558.
- Annual vestry meeting – Saturday, March 1, 2025 from 10.00am – 2.00pm (Bring a bag lunch / beverages and treats will be served)
- February 23rd at 10.00am – Bishop Kevin Robertson will join us for a special confirmation service. This will be followed by a celebratory lunch in honor of our elders who celebrate their 80th birthday. Please note that there will be only one service at 10.00am.
- Jazz Vespers – February 23rd at 4pm – Featuring Roberto Occhipinti (bass) and friends.

- Recital - "The Piano After Dark" - David Potvin, piano - Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 4pm
- Game fellowship night – Saturday, March 22,2025 – 6pm – 8pm at Parish hall.

Final Blessing

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

Hymn 430 *Will You Come and Follow Me*

1. **Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
 Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
 Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
 will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?**
2. **Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
 Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
 Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
 Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?**
3. **Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
 Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
 Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,
 and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?**
4. **Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
 Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
 Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world around,
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?**
5. **Lord, your summons echoes true when I but call your name.
 Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
 In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

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