

# St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke

Pentecost 9

August 10, 2025

10:00 Holy Eucharist



*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.*

*Baptized persons of any Church are welcome to receive Holy Communion. 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.*

*We welcome The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess, who will be presiding at our Sunday services in the absence of the Reverend Mike Stuchbery while he is away on sabbatical.*

*We welcome our guest organist Eric Hanbury.*

## Gathering of the Community

Organ Prelude – *Prelude on 'Song 46' - Leo Sowerby*

Welcome - Land Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving

*The flowers for the altar are given in memory of those who suffered from slavery and those who worked for the Abolition of Slavery in the British Empire on August 1st, 1834. We remember our ancestors who were stolen from families in Africa and forced to work in the fields and houses of the Caribbean, South America, the United States and Canada. We give You thanks for their strength, their stories, their faith in Your love and the gifts they passed on to enrich our lives, given by Michele Parkin.*

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*

**384** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him, for his is thy health and salvation:  
all ye who hear,  
brothers and sisters drawn near,  
praise him in glad adoration.**

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:  
hast thou not seen  
how thy entreaties have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee:  
ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if with his love he befriend thee.
4. Praise to the Lord, who, when tempests their warfare are waging,  
who, when the elements madly around thee are raging,  
bideth them cease,  
turning their fury to peace,  
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.
5. Praise to the Lord, who when darkness of sin is abounding,  
who when the godless do triumph, all virtue confounding,  
sheddeth his light,  
chases the horrors of night,  
saints with his mercy surrounding.
6. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!  
Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly for aye we adore him.

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.**

Let us pray.

Watchful God,  
kindle a new flame in our complacent hearts  
and take from our hands the burden of worthless things,  
so that we may be ready to receive a greater gift:  
the love of Jesus Christ, our Servant King. **Amen.**

## Breaking Open the Word

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Reader: Michele Parkin

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation - I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 50:1-8, 23-24

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



**Show us the way of salvation - O Holy One. (repeats)**

Our holy God has spoken  
and proclaimed to the world  
from east to west.

**Out of Zion God shines forth  
in radiant beauty,  
coming not in silence,  
but as a consuming fire,  
a mighty tempest raging all around.**

♪ **Show us the way of salvation - O Holy One.**

O Holy One, you summon heaven above  
and the whole world to judge your people.

**You say, "Gather my faithful people,  
who have covenanted with me  
by sacrifice.**

Let the heavens declare  
my faithful justice."

**Surely our God is our judge!**

Listen! Let me declare!

"I solemnly charge you

I am the Holy One, your God!

**I do not condemn you for your sacrifices;  
your burnt offerings are  
always before me.**

Those who offer sacrifice of praise  
pay me honour.

**Whoever mend their ways,  
I will show the way of salvation."**

♪ **Show us the way of salvation - O Holy One. (repeat)**

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Reader: Louisa Njau

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old and Sarah herself was barren because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

🎵 **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!** (*music 324*)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

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.**

Jesus said, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

🎵 **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!** (*music 324*)

Sermon : The Reverend Canon Michael Burgess

## **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.*

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Keep the heart of your church set firmly in you so that, with lamps lit and attentive to Christ's call at any time or place, your people are ready to respond with faithful action for the sake of the world. Nourish our clergy in their loving care of your Church: especially Greg, our deacon; Mike, our Incumbent; Fr Michael, who is presiding for us today, Kevin, Ryscilla and Andrew our Bishops; and Anne our Metropolitan and Shane our Primate. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Worlds were prepared by your word. Speak healing and protection upon the earth, especially where life and habitats are threatened. Guide the work of astronomers and all who teach us about the stars and galaxies. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You know the actions and deeds of the nations. Turn humanity away from instruments of war and violence. Fashion the hearts of world leaders to work for peace.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be on those in need especially those living in long term care facilities or are who limited in their mobility by advanced age: for Shirley B., Shirley C., Carmen, Jim, Herman & Gloria, Valerie, Mae, John & Eleanor, Shirley and Bill, Pauline, and Irene. And we pray for all who are ill, or are preparing themselves for or recovering from surgery, especially Kathy, Shirley H., Emmanuel, Jason, Heather, Jackson and Donna. Assure all who are afraid or experiencing great uncertainty that your promises are sure. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Calm the fears of migrants and refugees who set out, not knowing where they go. Provide shelter, sustenance, protection from harm, and welcome. Bless the work of Global Refuge and other means of support and advocacy. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We celebrate the ancestors in the faith who built their lives on your promises and died having seen them only from a distance. Sustain us in our hope of things not seen.

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your loving kindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

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

*The prayer bell calls us into silence*

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 466 *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

1. How clear is our vocation, Lord,  
when once we heed your all:  
to live according to your word,  
and daily learn, refreshed, restored,  
that you are Lord of all,  
and will not let us fall.
2. But if, forgetful, we should find  
your yoke is hard to bear;  
if worldly pressures fray the mind  
and love itself cannot unwind  
its tangled skein of care:  
our inward life repair,
3. We mark your saints, how they became  
in hindrances more sure,  
whose joyful virtues put to shame  
the casual way we wear your name,  
and by our faults obscure  
your power to cleanse and cure.
4. In what you give us, Lord, to do,  
together or alone,  
in old routines, or ventures new,  
may we not cease to look to you,  
the cross you hung upon,  
all you endeavoured done.

Prayer over the Gifts

Let us pray.

Father,  
receive all we offer you this day,  
and grant that in this eucharist  
we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

It is indeed right that we should praise you,  
gracious God,

for you created all things.

You formed us in your own image:

male and female you created us.

When we turned away from you in sin,

you did not cease to care for us,

but opened a path of salvation for all people.

You made a covenant with Israel,

and through your servants Abraham and Sarah

gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom;

through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints

who have served you in every age,

we give thanks and raise our voices

to proclaim the glory of your name.



**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.**

Holy God, source of life and goodness,

all creation rightly gives you praise.

In the fullness of time,  
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,  
to share our human nature,  
to live and die as one of us,  
to reconcile us to you,  
the God and Father of all.  
He healed the sick and ate  
and drank with outcasts and sinners;  
he opened the eyes of the blind  
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom  
to the poor and to those in need.  
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death,  
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,  
and said, "Take, eat:  
this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;  
and when he had given thanks,  
he gave it to them,  
and said, "Drink this, all of you:  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Whenever you drink it,  
do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God,  
his perfect sacrifice  
destroys the power of sin and death;  
by raising him to life  
you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

Recalling his death,  
proclaiming his resurrection,

and looking for his coming again in glory,  
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.  
Send your Holy Spirit upon us  
and upon these gifts,  
that all who eat and drink at this table  
may be one body and one holy people,  
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is yours, almighty Father,  
now and for 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

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord.  
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!**

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: Bawo Bawo-Oteri / Assistant: Robbie Walker

Hymn 49 *Draw Near and Take*

1. Draw near and take the body of your Lord,  
and drink with faith the blood for you outpoured.
2. Saved by his body, hallowed by his blood,  
with souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
3. Salvations' giver, Christ, the only Son,  
by his dear cross and blood the victory won.
4. Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere,  
and take the pledges of salvation here.
5. The Lord in this world rules his, and shields;  
to all believers life eternal yields.
6. with heavenly bread makes those who hunger whole;  
gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
7. Before your presence, Lord, all people bow.  
In this your feast of love be with us now.

Hymn 35 *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*

1. Wash, O God, our sons and daughters  
where your cleansing waters flow.  
Number them among your people,  
bless as Christ blessed long ago.  
Weave them garments bright and sparkling;  
compass them with love and light.  
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit,  
holy dove and heart's delight.
2. We who bring them long for nurture;  
by your milk may we be fed.  
Let us join your feast, partaking  
cup of blessing, living bread.  
God, renew us; guide our footsteps;  
free from sin and all its snares,  
one with Christ in living, dying,  
by your Spirit, children, heirs.

3. **O how deep your holy wisdom!  
Unimagined, all your ways!  
To your name be glory, honour!  
With our lives, we worship, praise!  
We your people stand before you,  
water washed and Spirit born.  
By your grace, our lives we offer.  
Recreate us; God, transform!**

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Eternal God,  
grant to your Church the unity and peace  
that we have tasted in this eucharist,  
the fruit of your life-giving Spirit.  
We ask this 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.**

Announcements

- Centering Prayer – Every Friday – 9.30am – Via Zoom
- Summer Services schedule – August

17-Aug	10am	Holy Eucharist
24-Aug	10am	Holy Eucharist
31-Aug	10am	Holy Eucharist
7-Sept	10am	Holy Eucharist

- If you're looking for a venue for a special occasion, our parish hall is available for rent! For more information or to book your event, please contact church office 416-247-5181

## 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 300 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

1. **Christ is made the sure foundation,  
Christ the head and cornerstone,  
chosen of the Lord and precious,  
binding all the church in one,  
holy Zion's help forever,  
and her confidence alone.**
2. **All that dedicated city,  
dearly love of God on high,  
in exultant jubilation  
pours perpetual melody,  
God the One-in-Three adoring  
in glad hymns eternally.**
3. **To this temple, where we call thee,  
come, O Lord of hosts, today;  
with thy wonted loving kindness,  
hear thy servants as they pray;  
and thy fullest benediction  
shed within its walls always.**
4. **Here vouchsafe to all thy servants  
what they ask of thee to gain,  
what they gain of thee forever  
with the blessed to retain,  
and hereafter in thy glory  
evermore with thee to reign.**
5. **Laud and honour to the Father,  
laud and honour to the Son,  
laud and honour to the Spirit,  
ever three and ever one,  
one in might and one in glory,  
while unending ages run.**

Dismissal

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

**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude - *Trumpet Tune No. 2* - Connor Licharz

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