

St. Philip's Anglican Church, Etobicoke

Pentecost 21 – October 18, 2026

Healing Prayer

10:30 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.

Gathering of the Community

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement, Announcements

We warmly welcome our guest organist, Cecilia Lee, who is joining us for this morning's service.

Flowers today are to the honour and glory of God and in loving memory of Maylynda Montgomery given by Thana and family.

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

328 *Lo! God is here; let us adore*

- 1. Lo! God is here; let us adore,
and own how dreadful is this place;
let all within us feel His pow'r,
and humbly bow before His face.
Who knows His pow'r, His grace who proves,
serve Him with awe, with rev'rence love.**

2. Lo! God is here, whom day and night
united choirs of angels praise;
to Him, enthroned above all height,
the host of heav'n their anthems raise.
Disdain not, Lord, our meaner song,
who praise Thee with a stamm'ring tongue.

3. Almighty Father, may our praise
Thy courts with grateful fragrance fill;
still may we stand before Thy face,
still hear and do Thy sov'reign will.
To God whom earth and heav'n adore,
be praise and glory evermore.

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.

O God,
whose image we bear and whose name we carry,
yours is the world and all it contains.
Recall us to our true allegiance,
so that above the powers and rulers of this world
you alone may claim our loyalty and love.
We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Breaking Open the Word

Exodus 33.12-23

Reader: Andrew Batte

Moses said to the LORD, 'See, you have said to me, "Bring up this people"; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, "I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight." Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.' He said, 'My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.' And he said to him, 'If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.'

The LORD said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.' Moses said, 'Show me your glory, I pray.' And he said, 'I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, "The LORD "; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But', he said, 'you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.' And the LORD continued, 'See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99



♪ We praise and magnify your glorious name! (repeat)

The Holy One reigns! Nations tremble!

From the cherubim throne,

God shakes the earth.

The Holy One is majestic in Zion

and exalted over all the nations.

Let them praise your name,

your name so great, terrible and holy.

Mighty ruler, lover of justice,
you have ordained integrity.
True and faithful justice
you have performed in Jacob.

♪ **We praise and magnify your glorious name!**

Moses and Aaron are among your priests,
Samuel among those who call on your name,
calling to the Holy One, who answers them,
speaking to them from the pillar of cloud.
They honoured all your decrees
and every statute.
O Holy One, our God, you answered them,
though chastising their misdeeds.

Exalt the Holy One, our God!
Bow down to the holy mountain.
Holy indeed is our God!

♪ **We praise and magnify your glorious name! (repeat)**

1 Thessalonians 1. 1-10

Reader: Michelle Parkin

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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!

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22. 15-22

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, ‘Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?’ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, ‘Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.’ And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, ‘Whose head is this, and whose title?’ They answered, ‘The emperor’s.’ Then he said to them, ‘Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.’ When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

 Hal – le, hal – le, hal – le ‘ lu – jah! (*Repeats*)

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: Janet Churchill

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

A brief silence.

Living and true God, you inspire us to share the message of the gospel. Give your spirit of love to seminarians and those beginning their lives in ordained ministry, especially Maddy who is completing her final parish placement at St. James Cathedral; and continue to share that same Spirit with our leaders here at St. Philip's: our wardens, Rosalind, Ashani, Debbie and Andrew; our staff, Tracy, Amanda and Charles; Greg, our deacon; Mike, our Incumbent; Kevin, Ryscilla and Andrew our Bishops; Anne our Metropolitan; and Shane our Primate.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We give you thanks for the majesty of our oceans. Protect the abundant life within them and sustain all those who work to preserve them.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We seek your wisdom in all things. Direct all who hold positions of authority around the world, that they act with compassion, seeking the good of all. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for all people who work in dangerous or degrading environments. Grant them safety and courage. We pray that you heal all those who are injured, ill, coping with chronic health issues and for those living in long-term care or whose mobility isolates them at home, especially those we know: Heather, Emmanuel, Brenda M, Robbie, James, Naume, Peter J., Victoria, and Elizabeth; for Shirley B., Carmel, Jim, Herman & Gloria, Valerie, Mae, John & Eleanor, Pauline, Fred, and Ruth; and for Danny, Carley, Geoff, Carolyn, Teslyn, Patrick, Daniel, Dave,

Myrna, Diana, Patricia J., Jackson, Patricia S., Debbie J., Sue, Tommy, Lilian, Karen, Mark and Bridget. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We ask your blessing on our many faithful volunteers who do the quiet, unseen work of the church. Encourage them in their work of faith and labour of love. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We thank you for our ancestors who have been called home to you. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through 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 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 505 *Be Thou My Vision*

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art —
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
3. Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
4. High King of heaven, when vict'ry is won
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Prayer over the Gifts

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

your word inspires our faith.

May we who offer you our praise

trust you in all things.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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 offer thanks and praise.

Eternal God, Source of all being,

we give you thanks and praise

for your faithful love.

You call us into friendship
with you and one another
to be your holy people,
a sign of your presence in the world.

When those we trust betray us,
unfailing you remain with us.
When we injure others,
you confront us in your love
and call us to the paths of righteousness.

You stand with the weak,
and those, broken and alone,
whom you have always welcomed home,
making the first last, and the last first.
Therefore we raise our voices
with angels and archangels,
forever praising you and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
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 highest.

Blessed are you, O Holy One:
when Hagar was driven into the wilderness
you followed her and gave her hope.
When Joseph was sold into bondage,
you turned malice to your people's good.
When you called Israel out of slavery,
you brought them through the wilderness
into the promised land.

When your people were taken into exile
you wept with them by the river of Babylon
and carried them home.

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

At the right time you sent your Anointed One
to stand with the poor,
the outcast, and the oppressed.
Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.

He accepted water from a woman of Samaria
and offered her the water of new life.
Christ knew the desolation of the cross
and opened the way for all humanity
into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,
gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One,
recalling Christ's death and resurrection,
we offer you these gifts,
longing for the bread of tomorrow
and the wine of the age to come.
Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.**

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts
that through them you may sustain us
in our hunger for your peace.
We hold before you
all whose lives are marked by suffering,
our sisters and brothers.
When we are broken and cast aside,
embrace us in your love.

Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O Source of all life,
now and for ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer, Breaking of Bread

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray in the language closest to our hearts.

**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.**

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.**

Invitation to Communion

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

Anointing and Healing Prayer

As we go forward for Communion, we hold those in particular need of prayer for healing before God; Heather, Emmanuel, Brenda M, Robbie, James, Naume, Peter J., Victoria, Elizabeth, Shirley B., Carmel, Jim, Herman & Gloria, Valerie, Mae, John & Eleanor, Pauline, Fred, Ruth; Danny, Carley, Geoff, Carolyn, Teslyn, Patrick, Daniel, Dave, Myrna, Diana, Patricia J., Jackson, Patricia S., Debbie J., Sue, Tommy, Lilian, Karen, Mark, and Bridget.

**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.

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.

Server: Andrew Batte / Communion Assistant: Janet Churchill

Hymn 52 *O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near*

1. **O God, unseen yet ever near,
your presence may we feel;
and thus, inspired with holy fear,
around your table kneel.**
2. **Here may your faithful people know
the blessings of your love,
the streams that through the desert flow,
the manna from above.**
3. **We come, obedient to your word,
to feast on heavenly food,
to eat the body of the Lord,
and drink his precious blood.**
4. **O living Bread, enduring Vine,
your words we shall obey,
and go, renewed with strength divine,
rejoicing on our way.**

Hymn 48 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

1. **Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded,
for, with blessing in his hand,
Christ our God to us approacheth,
our full homage to demand.**
2. **King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,**

he will give to all the faithful,
his own self for heavenly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descended
from the realms of perfect day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.
4. At his feet the six winged seraph,
cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!"

 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 (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 (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' ebirunji byonna (For all the beautiful things)

Webale (thank you)

Miigwech (*Repeats*)

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament
with the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have taken holy things
keep faith in our hearts and lives,
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

- 🍂 Oktoberfest at St. Philip's! 🍂

Join us for a fun afternoon of delicious food, fellowship, and Oktoberfest celebrations! Sunday, October 25 @ 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM.
Tickets: Adults – \$20, Teens – \$10

🍷 Wondering what's on the menu?

Check the church notice boards or our website for the amazing Oktoberfest menu!

Come hungry and enjoy a wonderful afternoon together with our parish community. We look forward to seeing you there!

- Jazz Vespers – Sunday, October 25 at 4pm - Featuring - Pat LaBarbara Trio. Admission by donation. All are welcome.
- Recital - NOVEMBER 8 at 4pm. Classical guitar duo – James Baker and Carmine Coccimiglio. Admission by donation. All are welcome.

- Mark October 31st in your calendar, and be here from 9:30am-3:00pm for a day of parish visioning. Let's gather together and prayerfully seek the direction that God is leading us in for the next few years. **YOUR VOICE IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE DIALOGUE! Please register at staffstphilip@gmail.com or 416-247-5181.**
- We are preparing a special All Souls & Remembrance Day edition of our parish newsletter to honour and remember our loved ones, including beloved pets. You are invited to submit a photo, monument/headstone photo, or pet photo, along with a short remembrance message of up to 50 words.
 - **Cost: \$50 per space**
 - Submission deadline: October 20, 2026**
 - Publication date: November 1, 2026**

For more information or to submit a remembrance, please contact Ros or Amanda at the Church Office – 416-247-5181.

- There will be an All Souls Eucharist on Monday, November 2nd at 7:30pm. Please add the names of those you would like to have remembered to the list at the back of the Church - or send an email to staffstphilip@gmail.com.
- 🎄 A Charlie Brown Christmas Concert – December 6!
Join us on Sunday, December 6, at 4:00 PM for a festive Christmas concert! Tickets Out Now: Adults \$30 | Students \$20 | Family \$60 (2 adults and up to 3 children) | Children under 12 FREE.
Hot chocolate and Christmas cookies will be served following the concert! Mark your calendars and spread the word!

Final Blessing, Hymn & Dismissal

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 306 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

1. **O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace.**
2. **Jesus! The name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;**

**'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.**

3. **He speaks, and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.**
4. **My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.**

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

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