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"To Know Christ and Make Him Known"



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COVID-19 REMINDERS:

Physical Distancing:

The practice of physical distancing is **mandatory** inside and outside of the Church premises. Please maintain a minimum of 6 feet (2 metres) away from others, as much as possible. Whereas physical distancing is difficult to maintain, a mask or face covering **must** be worn as instructed below.

Face Masks and Coverings:

The use of a mask or face covering is **mandatory** inside of the Church, as required under the City of Toronto By-Law: 541-2020. Exceptions are children under the age of two, persons with underlying medical conditions and those who are unable to place or remove one without assistance. **In the case where a face mask or covering cannot be used, we ask that you use your highest discretion to protect yourself and those around you.**

Hand Hygiene:

Hand sanitizers are placed around the church and is **required** to be used upon entering, before receiving communion, before and/or after using the washroom, and recommended to be used after exiting. All our hand sanitizers contain at least 70% Isopropyl Alcohol.

Music and Singing:

There is to be no congregational or choral singing, as aerosol and respiratory droplets can travel more than 6 feet (2 metres). Microphones are not to be shared.

Food Services and Coffee Hours:

All food services and coffee hours are suspended until further notice. This does not include the Emergency Food Pantry, which will continue to operate on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Our monthly community lunch remains suspended until further notice.

Offerings and Donations:

There is a box set-up for offerings and donations prior to entering the sanctuary. Cash will be allowed at this time. All cash money donations must be placed in the envelopes provided.

Children and Sunday School:

Children under the age of ten are to remain with their family. Families will be allowed to bring snacks or toys for children; however they must not be shared. Take-home activities will be given out to the youth weekly. **We ask that these activities do not be opened until returning home.** Additionally, the Owen Room will be used only for the youth ten years of age and older. The Owen Room will remain closed at this time for parishioners.

Order of Service
The Last Sunday after Pentecost:
The Reign of Christ
Sunday, November 22, 2020

9:30 a.m. BAS Holy Communion

Quiet Please – Live-Stream in Progress.

Please silence all cellular devices and keep conversations to a minimum.

Organ Prelude

Welcome: The Rev. Helena-Rose Houldcroft

Land Acknowledgement: The land that we are standing on today is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples. We acknowledge that Toronto is covered by Treaty 13 signed with the Mississaugas of the Credit, and the Williams Treaties signed with multiple Mississaugas and Chippewa bands.

The Gathering of the Community

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

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

***People:* to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secret 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.**

Glory to God:

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

***All:* and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the**

world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day:

Celebrant: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

***People:* Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24

For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100

1. Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

2. Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name.

4. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

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

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

‘When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, “Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?” And the king will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Then he will say to those at his left hand, “You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.” Then they also will answer, “Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?” Then he will answer them, “Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.” And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

***People:* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Sermon: The Rev. Helena-Rose Houldcroft

Musical Selection: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*, Jaime Barrow

The People Respond to God’s Word

The Apostles’ Creed:

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: 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.

Intercessory Prayers

The Prayers of the People:

Intercessor: In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

Intercessor: For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For this city of Toronto, for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering, for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: For all who have died, let us pray to the Lord.

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor: Remembering St. Peter all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

***People:* To you, O Lord.**

Intercessor: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

***People:* Amen.**

Confession and Absolution:

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

Silence is kept

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

***People:* 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.**

Celebrant: 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.

***People:* Amen.**

The Peace:

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

The Preparation of the Gifts

Musical Selection: *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*, Jaime Barrow

Prayer over the Gifts:

Celebrant: Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer 1:

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: 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.

All: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: 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 forever.

People: Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer:

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread:

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

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

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion of God’s People

Musical Selection: *Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup*, Jaime Barrow

Prayer after Communion:

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People: Amen.

Doxology:

Celebrant: Glory to God,

All: 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

Benediction:

All: May God’s blessings surround you this day, as you trust him and walk in his way. Let his presence within guard and keep you from sin, go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

Dismissal:

Celebrant: Go forth in the name of Christ

All: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

Assisting in Today’s Service:

Reader: Ian Physick

Intervenor: Jaime Barrow

PARISH AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Hours:

Mondays: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Fridays: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Bible Readings for next Sunday, November 29, 2020

The First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 64: 1-9

Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

The Holy Gospel: Mark 13: 24-37

A Warm Welcome to Our Guests and Visitors Thank you for worshipping with us today; you have enriched our community, and we hope this service holds meaning and beauty for you. If you are returning to a distant home, we wish you God's grace and a safe journey. However, if you live anywhere near us, and you are not an involved member of a faith community and might be seeking one, we invite you to return any Sunday so that we may continue to worship together.

Advent Newsletter: The Advent Newsletter is ready for pick-up. Visit our website to read the newsletter online!

Emergency Food Pantry: The Emergency Food Pantry continues to be open on **Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** for canned goods and packaged items. No appointment is required. If you are struggling for food during this time, we can help. Donations are graciously accepted.

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