



***Welcome to St. Philip's on-the-hill!***  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2026 –**  
**NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY OF PRAYER**  
**& FATHER'S DAY**

*“The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord;  
and you also are witnesses.” John 15.26, 27*

**10:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST**

*Some of our prayers today are provided by the national church for this special day. Musical Setting for the Holy Eucharist the Schubert Mass Setting.*

*Our vestry flowers today are dedicated to all our fathers and grandfathers and in loving memory of those who are no longer with us.  
From the chancel guild.*

**PRELUDE:** *Improvisation on Heyleluyan - traditional Muscogee melody*

**WELCOME AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** *Let Us Build a House v 1,2,5 SNC 10*

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY –  
HONOURING THE FOUR DIRECTIONS**

*We turn in our prayers to face each direction, and respond:  
“Come, Holy Spirit, Come.”*

**THE GLORIA** *SNC 177 Cantor: Eva Chan*

*Cantor:* Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

**All:** **Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!**

To God be glory forever!

**To God be glory forever!**

Alleluia! Amen! Alleluia! Amen! x4

**THE COLLECT FOR THE NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY OF PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**All:** **Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love, and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

Lou Gizzarelli

Isaiah 40:25-31

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 19**

Refrain: The commandment of God is clear and gives light to the eyes

**THE GOSPEL:**

*In ancient tradition, we are invited to make the sign of the cross upon our forehead, lips and heart, that the Good News of Jesus may be in our thinking, our speaking and in our centre.*

Cantor: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Cantor: "The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord; and you also are witnesses"

All: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Gospeler: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Gospeler: The †Holy Gospel of our †Lord Jesus Christ †according to John.

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

**GOSPELER:**

*The Rev. Lorraine Runza*

*John 1:1-18 taken from the First Nations Version of the New Testament*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

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

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON:**

*The Rev. Ajith Varghese*

*Please stand.*

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

Celebrant: Let us declare our faith in God:

All: **We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Let us sit or kneel to pray.*

**PRAYER SONG:** *The Kingdom of God is Justice and Peace* More Voices 146

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Hortense Anglin*

*Bidding: Creator of all, Response: hear our prayer.*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Celebrant:* Come, let us return to the Lord and say:

**All:** **Creator God, in our sin we have avoided your call. Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgement; bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*Celebrant:* The Lord enrich you with grace, and nourish you with many blessings; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve you from your offences, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

*Please stand.*

**THE PEACE:**

*Celebrant:* Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you,

**All:** **and also with you.**

*You are invited to greet your neighbour saying: "Peace" or "Peace be with you." You may wave, bow or flash the peace sign.*

### **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

*God of the Sparrow*

*CP 414*

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

*Celebrant:* Creator, you bless us with many good gifts returned to you from your creation. Feed us with the Bread of Life, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Please take a posture of prayer, sitting, standing or kneeling.*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**All:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**All:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

*All:* **You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

*Celebrant:* In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

*All:* **He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

*Celebrant:* On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

*All:* **Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his body is the bread of life.**

*Celebrant:* At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

*All:* **Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.**

*Celebrant:* As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

*All:* **As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

*Celebrant:* With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

*All:* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* As our Saviour Christ has taught us, let us pray,

*All:* **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.**



generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

## BLESSING

*Celebrant:*

God, who created you in the divine image, sends you forth:

*All:*

**we go, to reflect the presence of our Creator to everyone we meet.**

Jesus, who has redeemed you, has established the reign of God in our midst:

**we go, to bring healing for one another.**

The Holy Spirit, who calls you to be God's people, goes with you to many places:

**We go, to tear down the walls that divide us, and to build lives of hope for all.**

And now, the peace of the rolling waves, the peace of the silent mountains, the peace of the singing stars, and the deep peace of the Prince of Peace, be with you now and always, in the blessing of the Triune God. Amen.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN:

*Draw the Circle Wide*

*CP 418*

## THE COMMISSIONING:

*Leader:*

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*All:*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE:

*Prelude in C Major BWV 533 - J. S. Bach*

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## MINISTERING IN THE SERVICES TODAY

**Celebrant & Preacher:** The Rev. Ajith Varghese; **Deacon & Gospeler:** The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Organist:** Kevin Parks, **Cantor:** Eva Chan; **Reader:** Lou Gizzarelli; **Bread:** The Rev. Ajith Varghese, The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Chalice:** Ben Cheung, Judith Brunton; **Prayers:** Hortense Anglin; **Video/Sound:** Brian Cheung; **Greeters:** Jenny Brunt, Sammy Chan; **Sunday School:** Avani Rutnam, Gloria Varghese; **Warden on Duty:** Claudette Rawlins; **Chancel Guild:** Judy Prentise, Judith Brunton, Connalyn Willoughby, Christine Herbert; **Counters:** Bill Carnaghan, Joanne Millett

## TODAY

### *Indigenous Sunday*

#### **Prayers for the Week**

##### *Household Prayer: Morning*

O God, I praise you as I arise this morning. You are the giver of all life and you provide for what you have made. Be with my spirit this day and teach me to be thankful for all that you offer. Move me to be generous with others, sharing not only goods, but also time, patience, and kindness. You know what will happen today. Guide me so that I do what pleases you. Be near to me and help me to trust your love. I pray for all the world today, for what I do has effects far beyond what I can know or understand. By your Holy Spirit, let me speak peace, let me do peace, let me be peace. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

##### *Household Prayer: Evening*

Creator of heaven and earth, light and darkness, day and night, I thank you for the day just past that you have given me in your mercy. I pray for your forgiveness for those things I did that were displeasing to you and for those missed opportunities to show my love for you. Let me rest tonight, trusting in the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ. Restore my mind and body as I sleep so that when I awake I will have the strength to serve you and your children well. O beloved God, let me rise to a new day giving you thanks and praise, in the name of Jesus Christ the Saviour. Amen. *(from Feasting on the Word, Year A, Vol. 1)*

### THIS WEEK @ ST. PHILIP'S

JUNE is National Indigenous History Month

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| June 19-26 | Rev. Stephen will be away   |
| June 22    | The office will be closed   |
| June 27    | 12:00 pm - the last <b>End of Year Party at the Kern Farm</b> and all are invited to join the fun. Please sign up in the Narthex!<br>5:00 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom |
| June 28    | 10:00 am 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Rev. Stephen Kern, Celebrating & Rev. Lorraine Runza Preaching  |

#### **And beyond...**

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| July 1    | Happy Canada Day! The office will be closed  |
| July 6-10 | Musical Theatre Camp – plan to attend their final production on <b>Friday, July 10 at 7:00 pm!</b> |

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**Let Us Build a House    SNC 10                      v. 1, 2, 5**

Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children  
tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions;

Refrain: All are welcome, all are welcome,  
          all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
and words are strong and true,  
where all God's children dare to seek  
to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
and a symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: *(Refrain)*

Let us build a house where all are named,  
their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
prayers of faith and songs of grace;  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *(Refrain)*

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**Called by Earth and Sky                      More Voices 135**

*Refrain:* Called by earth and sky, promise of hope held high.  
          This is our sacred living trust,  
          treasure of life sanctified, called by earth and sky.

Precious these waters, endless seas, deep ocean's dream,  
waters of healing, rivers of rain, the wash of love again.

Precious this gift, the air we breathe; wind born and free.  
Breath of the Spirit, blow through this place, our gathering and our grace. *(R)*

Precious these mountains, ancient sands; vast fragile land.  
Seeds of our wakening, rooted and strong, Creation's faithful song. *(R)*

Precious the fire that lights our way, bright dawning day.  
Fire of passion, sorrows undone, our faith and justice one. *(R)*

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