



Welcome to St. Philip's on-the-hill!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2026

21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life.” see Philippians 2.15, 16

10:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

Musical Setting for the Holy Eucharist is the St. Philip's Service by R. Edward Gilchrist

PRELUDE:

Gymnopedie I by Erik Satie

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *Lo, God is Here! Let Us Adore* v. 1-3 CP 328

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

(We've included crosses at traditional places in the service where the congregation may want to cross themselves as an act of worship.)

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

All: And also with you.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: 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.

GLORIA:

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, Amen, Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR THE 21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S TIME

The Rev. Martha Gordon

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS

Mary Carr

Exodus 33: 12-23

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 99

Eva Lau

Cantor: You God, alone, are the Holy One.

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: "Shine as lights in the world, holding fast the word of life."

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 Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPELER

The Rev. Martha Gordon

Matthew 22:15-22

Gospeler: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

The Rev. Lorraine Runza

Please stand.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

Please be seated.

PRAYER SONG

Nearer, My God, to Thee v. 1, 3

CP 538

Let us sit or kneel to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hortense Anglin

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins as we say,

All: Father, out of your abundant love all things live and move and have their being. We confess that we have turned away from you and from your image in our neighbours. We have neglected the creatures that surround us, the water that renews us, and the earth that nourishes us. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us that we might hear the song of your creation once again and see your love in all living things. Amen.

Celebrant: May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit and raise you to new life in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: Peace with yourself. Peace with Creation.

Peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

All: **and also with you.**

You are invited to greet your neighbour saying: "Peace" or "Peace be with you."

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN: *A Spendthrift Lover is the Lord v. 1-3 CP 177*

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: 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.**

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 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 the One 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.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.

All: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

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 for ever.

All: Amen.

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All: So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

AGNUS DEI

**All: Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God. You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The gifts of God for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome at the table of Our Lord for Communion or a blessing. As the sides-people direct, move forward to receive Holy Communion around the platform. Signal the communion minister if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you prefer, we can serve Communion in your pew, just let the sides people know.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion for those worshipping at home

Celebrant: Church, we have friends worshipping online or others who may not be able to receive Communion today. Let us pray together in solidarity to receive Christ anew in spiritual communion.

All: **Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Sacrament of the altar and in your people, come and abide in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; transform my life and actions that they may reflect the image of your holiness. In your name I pray. Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMNS: *Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup v. 1-5* CP 63
More Than We Can Ask or Imagine v. 1-3 CP 86

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: 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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

THE 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.**

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: God has given you the citizenship of heaven, with his blessed and beloved, and the whole company of the redeemed. **Amen.**

God give you the will to live each day in life eternal. **Amen.**

God bring you to the home that Christ prepares for all who love him. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: *Be Thou My Vision v. 1-4* CP 505

THE COMMISSIONING

Leader: Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE *Praeambulum No 13 from Lueneburg Organ Tablature (17th Century)*

MINISTERING IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Celebrant: The Rev. Martha Gordon; **Deacon & Preacher:** The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Organist:** Kevin Parks; **Cantor:** Eva Lau; **Reader:** Mary Carr; **Bread:** The Rev. Martha Gordon, The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Chalice:** Hortense Anglin, Judith Brunton; **Prayers:** Hortense Anglin; **Video/Sound:** Brian Cheung; **Greeters:** Bob & Nancy Clarke; **Sunday School:** Alex Lee; **Warden on Duty:** Claudette Rawlins; **Chancel Guild:** Carol Dykeman, Joyce Nichols, Amber Dykeman, Lee Wagman, Jenny Brunt; **Counters:** Gerry Heath, Ian Cowling

TODAY

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Prayers for the Week

Household Prayer: Morning

Lord God, giver of light and darkness, from the rising of the sun to its setting you have called me by name; there is no God besides you. Go before me and guide me this day; bless and keep me forever. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Lord God, giver of darkness and light, from the setting of the sun to its rising you have called me by name; there is no God besides you. Stay with me and guard me this night; bless and keep me forever. Amen. *(from Feasting on the Word, Year A, Vol.2)*

THIS WEEK @ ST. PHILIP'S

- Oct 20** 4:30 pm Fall Youth & Intergenerational Drama programs
Oct 22 6:45 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Women's Bible Study
Oct 24 3:00 – 6:30 pm Harvest Hoedown – sign up TODAY!
5:00 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
Oct 25 10:00 am 22nd after Pentecost & Youth Sunday with Rev. Martha Gordon Celebrating and preaching.

And beyond...

- Oct 31** **Fall Garden Clean up** – volunteers needed, bring your gloves and rakes to help get the gardens ready for winter.
Nov 21 **St. Philip's Annual Christmas Luncheon** ~ back at the Royal Stouffville Golf Club on Saturday Nov 21 starting at 12:00pm ~ tickets on sale October 25 to November 15

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family

SIGN UP TODAY TO ATTEND ST. PHILIP'S HARVEST HOEDOWN!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

3:00 to 6:30pm

LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN BRING A POT OF CHILI!



You are warmly invited to St. Philip's

Annual Christmas Gala Luncheon

Join us for an afternoon filled with fine dining, music, fellowship, entertainment and laughs, with activities for the kids!

Saturday, November 21 at 12:00 PM

(lunch at 1:00 PM)

At the Beautiful Royal Stouffville Golf Club

Tickets: \$85/Adult and \$30/Child

* Tickets on sale Sun Oct 25 to Sun Nov 15

Don't miss out!

Tickets are limited.

