



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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026
22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
~ YOUTH SUNDAY ~

"If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you." John 14.23

10:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

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

PRELUDE: *Let Us Build a House* *Sing a New Creation 10*

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *We Are Pilgrims on a Journey* *CP 500*

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: 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.**

THE GLORIA *SNC 177* *Cantor: Brian Cheung*

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 22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; 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.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

INTERGENERATIONAL DRAMA TEAM

“READY TO CROSS THE JORDAN” BY CARLYNN REED

Inspired by Deuteronomy 34:1-12

BLAZING LIGHTS

“THE QUESTION TO TRIP JESUS” BY CARLYNN REED

Based on Matthew 22:34-46

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! (repeat)

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. Martha Gordon

As you are able, please stand.

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - 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.**

Let us sit or kneel to pray.

PRAYER SONG: *Love the Lord Your God Sing a New Creation 104*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Judith Brunton

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Father, you come to meet us when we return to you:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Celebrant: Jesus, you died on the cross for our sins:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant: Spirit, you give us life and peace:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have **†** mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you with all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

As you are able, 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.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Called to Faith* *Sing a New Creation 137*

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of 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 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.

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

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

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

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.

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

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.

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

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.

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

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: You are holy, you are whole. You are always ever more than we ever understand. You are always at hand. Blessed are you coming near. Blessed are you coming here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. You are holy, you are wholeness, you are present. Let the cosmos praise you, Lord! Sing hosanna in the highest! Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna to our God!

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. Do 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: *Love the Lord Your God (Porters Gate)*

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love CP 504

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DOXOLOGY

Please stand.

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 the Father, who first loved us and made us accepted in the beloved Son, bless you. **Amen.**

God the Son, who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood, bless you. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, who sheds abroad the love of God in our hearts, bless you. **Amen.**

The blessing of the one true God, to whom be all love and all glory for time and for eternity, come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: *Who Is My Mother* *More Voices 178*

THE COMMISSIONING

Leader: With the power that raised Jesus from the dead at work in you,
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

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

POSTLUDE

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MINISTERING IN THE SERVICES TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Martha Gordon; **Liturgical Assistant:** Carol Dykeman; **Organist:** Kevin Parks; **Cantor:** Brian Cheung; **Musicians:** Barrett Lindsay-Botten; **Youth Drama Group:** **Blazing Lights:** Gabby, Cassie, Gwen, Alexis, Lyon, Tochi, Hannah, Caitlyn, Savannah; **Intergenerational Drama Team:** Alex, Vanessa, Audrey, Nate, Gloria, Aryan, Asher, Hannah, Lyon; **Bread:** The Rev. Martha Gordon, Carol Dykeman; **Chalice:** Ben & Maggie Cheung; **Prayers:** Judith Brunton; **Tech Team:** Ruwani Seevakireedam; **Greeters:** Godwin & Mabel Ifejika; **Warden on Duty:** Suku Navaratnam; **Chancel Guild:** Judy Prentice, Judith Brunton, Connalyn Willoughby, Christine Herbert; **Counters:** Agatha McPhee, Ivor Pavamani

TODAY

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Prayers for the Week

Household Prayer: Morning

From everlasting to everlasting you are God. Carry me today in your steadfast love that I may rejoice and be glad all my days, living life fully without fear of the end. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Eternal God, a thousand years in your sight are like this day gone by, years swept away like a dream. May I rest in the assurance that even in the sleep of death, I will be awakened to an eternal morning, through the power of Christ, the resurrection. So let it be. Amen.

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THIS WEEK @ ST. PHILIP'S

- Oct 27** 4:30 pm Fall Youth & Intergenerational Drama programs
Oct 28 7:00 pm Zoom Bible/Book Study
Oct 29 6:45 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Women's Bible Study
Oct 31 5:00 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
Oct 31 **Fall Garden Clean up** – volunteers needed, bring your gloves and rakes to help get the gardens ready for winter.
Nov 1 10:00 am All Saints' Day with Rev. Martha Gordon Celebrating and preaching.

And beyond...

- Nov 13** 11:00 am Celebration of Life for Ruth Nichols. Please let the office know if you are attending.
Nov 15 Parish Profile Review – right after the 10 am service, please sign up in the Narthex TODAY!
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

Love the Lord Your God Sing a New Creation #104

Love the Lord your God with all your heart.
Love the Lord your God with all your soul.
Love the Lord your God with all your mind.
Love the Lord your God with all that you are. *(Repeat)*

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Called to Faith Sing a New Creation #137

Called to faith, your people gather,
Christ our brother, in your name,
knowing need of one another,
faces different, hearts the same,
growing in your holy likeness,
open, healing, Spirit spurred,
families formed for loving service,
fed by bread and wine and word.

Called by hope, your people serve you
as they reach out through your grace,
seeking out your mission's purpose,
being Christ in every place,

working for shalom and justice,
learning how to simply share
so your will may be enacted
as we ask in daily prayer.

Called to love, your people challenge
all that silences your song:
prejudice and greed and malice,
weak exploited by the strong.
Serving Jesus in self-giving,
choosing your will, not our own,
we will truly be your people
so your kingdom can be grown.

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Who is My Mother

More Voices #178

Who is my mother, who is my brother?
All those who gather round Jesus Christ:
Spirit-blown people born from the Gospel
sit at the table, round Jesus Christ.

Differently abled, differently labeled
widen the circle round Jesus Christ:
crutches and stigmas, culture's enigmas
all come together round Jesus Christ.

Love will relate us colour or status
can't segregate us, round Jesus Christ:
family failings, human derailings
all are accepted, round Jesus Christ.

Bound by one vision, met for one mission
we claim each other, round Jesus Christ:
here is my mother, here is my brother,
kindred in Spirit, through Jesus Christ.

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