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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026
24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
~REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY~

"Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming."
Matthew 24:42



10:00 A.M. SUNG EUCHARIST

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

PRELUDE: *Adagio by Felix Mendelssohn*

WELCOME

The Flowers today are given to the honour and glory of God by Jane Harris in memory of her husband Nicholas George Harris and all those who served.
"At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them." ~ *Laurence Binyon*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *O God, Our Help in Ages Past v.1-4 CP 528*

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:

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 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Please remain standing

ROYAL ANTHEM *God Save The King* *CP 660*

Let us sit or kneel to pray.

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Let us remember before God and commend to his sure keeping: those who have died for their country and those willing to do so; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of others.

READING OF THE HONOUR ROLL

POEM *In Flanders Fields by John McCrae* *Tochi, Lyon, Hannah*

As you are able, please stand.

THE LAST POST *Andrew Chung*

Two Minutes of Silence

REVEILLE *Andrew Chung*

THE LINES OF COMMEMORATION

Celebrant: They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

All: **We will remember them.**

NATIONAL ANTHEM *O Canada* *CP 659*

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S TIME *Candace Boodoo*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE THESSALONIANS *Hortense Anglin*

PSALM 78: 1-7 *Eva Chan*

Cantor: Our God has done amazing things

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: "Watch and be ready, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming."
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.**

Matthew 25:1-13 *The Rev. Lorraine Runza*

Gospeler: 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

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: *Be Still My Soul v. 1-2* *Voices United 652*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Ruwani Seevakireedam*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Most merciful God,
All: **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 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 with yourself. Peace with Creation. Peace with one another.
The peace of Christ be always with you.

All: **and also with you.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Abide With Me v.1,2,4,5* *CP 24*

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: Gracious God, your word to us is food indeed. Receive all we offer you this day, and let your loving-kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your living Word. **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: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.
In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we 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 One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, 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: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

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.**

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS: *Let Streams of Living Justice v.1-6* *CP 575*
Let There Be Light v.1-6 *CP 572*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Living God, in the eucharist you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, and bring us to the joy you promise. 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: The Peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord;

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: *O Day of Peace v.1-2* *CP 573*

THE DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in **peace** to love and serve the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

POSTLUDE *Thaxted by Gustav Holst*

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MINISTERING IN THE SERVICES TODAY

Celebrant; The Rev. Ajith Varghese; **Preacher:** The Rev. Martha Gordon; **Deacon:** The Rev. Lorraine Runza; **Organist**: Kevin Parks; **Cantor:** Eva Chan; **Musician:** Andrew Chung; **Bread**: The Rev. Ajith Varghese, The Rev. Martha Gordon; **Chalice**: The Rev. Lorraine Runza, Connalyn Willoughby; **Readers:** Hortense Anglin, Tochi, Lyon, Hannah; **Prayers**: Ruwani Seevakireedam; **Sunday School:** Candace Boodoo; **Tech Team**: Andrew Estabrooks; **Greeters**: Bob & Nancy Clarke; **Warden on Duty:** Connalyn Willoughby; **Chancel Guild**: Janet Sunderani, Dorothy Boland, Jane Harris, Nancy Clarke; **Counters:** Joanne Millett, Joe Zhou

TODAY

24th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Remembrance Sunday

Prayers for the Week

Household Prayer: Morning

I give thanks for the gift of life this day and for the privilege of loving you by serving others. Give me an opportunity to grow in right relationship with you by promoting justice in the world today through my life, my choices, and my witness. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

It is evening, and it is time to sleep. Throughout this day, I have endeavoured to serve you by making a difference in the world. Thank you for all caregivers and workers who devote themselves tonight to the well-being of so many. Help me to rest in peace this night and rise tomorrow ready to serve your justice. Amen.

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THIS WEEK @ ST. PHILIP'S

Nov 10 11:00 am Celebration of Life for Keith Corbett
4:30 pm Youth & Intergenerational Drama programs

Nov 11 Remembrance Day
7:00 pm Zoom Book Study

Nov12 6:45 am Men's Bible Study
10:00 am Women's Bible Study

Nov 13 11:00 am Celebration of Life for Ruth Nichols

Nov 14 5:00 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Nov 15 10:00 am 25th Sunday after Pentecost with Rev. Martha Gordon Celebrating and Preaching.
Parish Profile Review – right after the 10 am service, please sign up in the Narthex TODAY!

And beyond…

Nov 21 **St. Philip's Annual Christmas Luncheon** Royal Stouffville Golf Club on Saturday Nov 21 starting at 12:00pm ~ tickets are now on sale – get yours before they're sold out!

NOTE: *You can pay for Gala Tickets by E-Transfer, send payment to e-transfer@spoth.ca, make sure to include a message saying what the payment is for.*

Be Still My Soul **Voices United #652**

Be still, my soul! the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In every change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul! your best, your heavenly friend
Thru' thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul! your God does undertake
To guide the future as he has the past;
Your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul! the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he lived below.

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