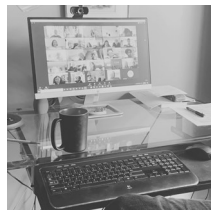

LITTLE TRINITY

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Sunday, Sept 12, 2021

Worship & Communion Service
**10:45am Livestream &
In-Person**

Welcome to Little T!

A Liturgical Style of Worship

This booklet will hopefully help make you feel more comfortable, especially if this is new to you.

Liturgical worship simply means we follow a particular order of service that is grounded in liturgy or "the work of the people". We use a liturgical form of service for our gatherings because we are not putting on a show for people to watch. Rather, the liturgy walks us through the wonderful story of Jesus Christ in a sequence that brings home the good news of God's grace to us. Each week we are brought back to the strange and amazing story of God with us. Today, our service is from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), which finds its roots in the original prayer book when the Anglican Church began in the 1500s. The BCP is basically scripture, re-ordered.

If this is new to you please join in only when you are comfortable. You'll get the hang of it after a few goes. Look out for **STAND** and **SIT** and **SIT/KNEEL** (whichever is your preference) instructions or just follow what your neighbour is doing (assuming they have been here before). In general, we stand to praise, sit to learn and sit/kneel to pray. **Bold** print directs you to join in unison.

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MORNING SERVICE

Welcome One Another

Why do we do this?

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God" (Romans 15:7) We come from delightfully diverse backgrounds yet Christ draws us together! Take a few moments to welcome those around you while we move up and in to make space for latecomers.

Musical Worship

Join in with our worship team as you feel led, sitting or standing as you are comfortable. The historic tradition uses music and song to direct ourselves towards God in praise and to direct our own hearts towards God's truth.

Opening Prayers

Worshipping God must begin with a heart prepared to enter into his presence. The Collect is a prayer that collects the intentions of our service; each Sunday there is a different collect paired with the readings and sermon message.

The Kyrie

(Greek for Lord)

We worship God as Trinity, appealing first to the Lord, our Father, secondly to the Lord Christ and the third to the Lord, the Holy Spirit.

Then we recite the mutual greeting drawn from Ruth 2:4 when Boaz greets his reapers: *The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.* We speak to each other under God's gaze.

WELCOME

The Rev. Orvin Lao, Community Connections Pastor

MUSICAL WORSHIP

STAND

OPENING PRAYERS

SIT/KNEEL

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you;

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

LESSON

Psalm 46

SIT

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear though the earth
gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the
heart of the sea,
- ³ though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its
swelling.
- ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad
the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- ⁵ God is in the midst of her; she shall not be
moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
- ⁶ The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- ⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- ⁸ Come, behold the works of the Lord,
how he has brought desolations on the
earth.
- ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the
earth;
he breaks the bow and shatters the
spear;
he burns the chariots with fire.

Proclamation of the Word

We take time to quiet our minds and listen to the scriptures which we honour and value as God's word to us. We accept this as a gift and offer thanks to God in response. The Proclamation of the Word has two distinct forms and functions: hearing the Word spoken to us as we listen to God's voice through the words of the scripture, and hearing God's word broken apart that we might delve deeper into its meaning and be exhorted to not just hear the Word but to live it as well.

Scripture quotations are adapted from the ESV® Bible (The Holy Bible, English Standard Version®), copyright © 2001 by Crossway.

The Gospel

The Gospel is God's word that speaks to us of what God has done in Jesus Christ. The Gospel demands that we act and standing up is a way to recognize that we are ready not just to hear but live as well.

¹⁰ “Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”

¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

John 8:31-36; 56-59

STAND

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel according to Saint John in the eighth chapter, beginning at the thirty-first verse.

Glory be to thee, O Christ.

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the child remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. [...]

⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?”

⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON **STAND** for prayer, then **SIT**

"His Service is Perfect Freedom"

The Rev. Timothy Houghton, Senior Pastor

Sermon Series - *John 4-11 "Encountering the King of a New Creation" Part 2*

Silent reflection

CONFESSION OF FAITH

STAND

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in God 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SIT/KNEEL

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Sermon

As we open the Scripture, we corporately encounter Christ. As you listen, pray to be open to the Spirit's leading, exhortation, encouragement and healing.

If you miss a sermon or want to listen again or share with others, podcasts along with small group discussion questions are on our website: www.littletrinity.org and they are also available on Google Play and iTunes.

Confession of Faith

Standing together with Christians throughout the centuries and throughout the world today, we affirm our faith by saying these ancient words together. This is the Apostle's Creed where we acknowledge the historical truths of our faith, passed down throughout the ages.

Prayers of the People

The prayers of the people are the response of the community to the proclamation of the word. They are a moment when the gathered community exercises its baptismal role. Baptized into Christ, and made one in his body, we pray with Christ, who constantly prays for us and for all of creation (Hebrews 7:25). Together we pray for our church, our city and our world.

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Tanzania

DIOCESE: St. Paul, Bloor Street, St. Paul, Brighton and
St. Paul, Innisfil

CLERICUS: Little Trinity Church

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on King Street East and Abbey Lane

LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Lay Delegates to Synod - Matthew McCormick, Julia Schindeler, Maureen
Oulton, Peter Oulton, Alternates: Alex Newman, James Beck

PARISH

Charlotte Nissenbaum; Sharon O'Donnell; Stephanie Oakes and Sussmek
Pandharkame, Marie; Ola-lfe Ojo and Verena Hornig; Peter and Maureen
Oulton

MISSION PARTNERS

Dr. Steve and Peggy Foster (SIM) Lubango, Angola

OFFERTORY WORSHIP

OFFERTORY

*In our offertory we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of
bread and wine to the glory of God.*

*If you wish to financially support the ongoing gospel ministry of Little
Trinity Church during this time you can find options online on our website
at <http://littletrinity.org/give>.*

*If you wish to give in person, please deposit your offering
either in the offering boxes in the Church Sanctuary (indoors)
or in the Annex mailbox (outdoors) at 403 King St. E.*

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Gracious God, all things come from you and you teach us to be generous with what we have. We pray that our gifts may be wisely used for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY

STAND

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

SIT/KNEEL

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Doxology

These words, penned in 1674 by Thomas Ken, anchor us in the reality that our only proper response to God is worship and praise.

Confession & Absolution

Not forgetting our nature as fallen human beings: on one hand, we fall short of what we should do and who we should be, on the other hand, we are reminded that God is loving and merciful, we recognize that we are sinners and he reaches out to us nonetheless; we are assured that God has looked upon us with mercy and we have been forgiven of our sins. We say the confession together to illustrate we are all in need of God's mercy and forgiveness. Even if the person standing in front of you looks like they have it all together.

The Comfortable Words

The comfortable words, simply sentences from scripture, remind us that we cannot earn grace, we can only receive it through the work of Jesus on the cross.

Eucharistic Prayer

Modeled after Jewish table prayers of blessing, the Eucharistic Prayer explores and explains something of the wonder of Jesus' death for us, as Paul wrote: "as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

The prayer contains the words Jesus used during the Last Supper. As we hear these words and go forward together, we feed on him, in our hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

The table is prepared while the prayer is spoken, much as we prepare ourselves to receive the Eucharist.

COMMUNION

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him. Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.
(Matthew 11:28)

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.
(John 3:16)

Hear also what Saint Paul saith. This is a true saying and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.
(1 Tim. 1:15)

Hear also what Saint John saith. If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.
(1 John 2:1-2)

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and singing:

**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.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks; he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you;
And with thy spirit.

Holy, holy, holy Lord...
The Sanctus (*Holy, holy, holy Lord*) names that which is sacred, holy, hallowed, consecrated and inviolable: "Lord, God of power and Might".

The Prayer of Humble Access

Before receiving communion, we remind ourselves of the true nature of God that though we have done nothing worthy of being received at the communion rail, we are welcome to receive his body and blood. This prayer reminds us how to receive this gift: in humility. The language of the prayer is taken from the Canaanite woman's humble approach to Jesus in Mark 7.

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table, but thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

COMMUNION

All those who have placed their trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord, being baptized in any Christian denomination, are welcome to the Lord's table. Please follow the direction of the sidespeople and abide by the health and safety measures as instructed. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.

Given the cautionary direction of the Diocese of Toronto, we will only be receiving in one kind (the Bread). Receiving in one kind only has been accepted by Anglicans to be a full reception of the Sacrament.

For those who are tuning in the livestream, the Book of Common Prayer affirms that, during exceptional circumstances, we can receive the Sacrament in our hearts by faith and with thanksgiving as an act of spiritual communion. In that way, we can continue to participate in the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

MUSICAL WORSHIP

THE LORD'S PRAYER

STAND

Let us pray,

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.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

the Lord's Prayer is the prayer instituted by Jesus himself (Matthew 6; Luke 11). This prayer has been handed down from generation to generation, teaching us to pray

Prayers After Communion

God gets the last word in our service. First, he blesses us, and then he sends us out into the world, to live a life that reflects his love, mercy and truth.

We have been given the rest and nourishment we need to sustain our own lives, and we have been given the gifts we need to go out and Serve our World in the name of Jesus.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and
love 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.

CLOSING WORSHIP

STAND

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT 19, 2021

9:00am In-Person Communion Service

10:45am Livestream and In-Person Communion Service
(with concurrent Children's Ministry (K-5) and Campaigners (Gr 6-8))

6:30pm In-Person Communion Service

Reading: John 9:1-41

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