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# LITTLE TRINITY

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GROW TOGETHER  
LOVE OUR WORLD  
GOD  
SERVE



*Advent 1*

**Sunday, Nov 28, 2021**

Worship & Communion Service

**9:00am In-Person**

**10:45am Livestream & In-Person**

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# 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

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.

#### 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.

## **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE** ***SIT***

Dear friends in Christ, the Day is coming when our Lord Jesus Christ shall return in glory to establish His Father's eternal kingdom. It is for the hope of His coming again that we wait and work in love for His kingdom on earth.

**Lord, our hope is in You alone.  
Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY** ***SIT/KNEEL***

**Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **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.

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

### **READING** **Isaiah 5:1-7** ***SIT***

- <sup>1</sup> Let me sing for my beloved  
my love song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.
- <sup>2</sup> He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
and he looked for it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.

<sup>3</sup> And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and people of Judah,  
judge between me and my vineyard.  
<sup>4</sup> What more was there to do for my vineyard,  
that I have not done in it?  
When I looked for it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?  
<sup>5</sup> And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall,  
and it shall be trampled down.  
<sup>6</sup> I will make it a waste;  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and briars and thorns shall grow up;  
I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.  
<sup>7</sup> For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts  
is the house of Israel,  
and the people of Judah  
are his pleasant planting;  
and he looked for justice,  
but behold, bloodshed;  
for righteousness,  
but behold, an outcry!

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **RESPONSIVE READING      Psalm 80**

<sup>1</sup> Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,  
you who lead Joseph like a flock.  
**You who are enthroned upon the  
cherubim, shine forth.**  
<sup>2</sup> Before Ephraim and Benjamin and  
Manasseh,  
**stir up your might and come to save us!**

- <sup>3</sup> Restore us, O God;  
**let your face shine, that we may be  
saved!**
- <sup>4</sup> O Lord God of hosts,  
**how long will you be angry with your  
people's prayers?**
- <sup>5</sup> You have fed them with the bread of tears  
**and given them tears to drink in full  
measure.**
- <sup>6</sup> You make us an object of contention for our  
neighbours,  
**and our enemies laugh among them -  
selves.**
- <sup>7</sup> Restore us, O God of hosts;  
**let your face shine, that we may be  
saved!**
- <sup>8</sup> You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
**you drove out the nations and planted it.**
- <sup>9</sup> You cleared the ground for it;  
**it took deep root and filled the land.**
- <sup>10</sup> The mountains were covered with its shade,  
**the mighty cedars with its branches.**
- <sup>11</sup> It sent out its branches to the sea  
**and its shoots to the River.**
- <sup>12</sup> Why then have you broken down its walls,  
**so that all who pass along the way pluck  
its fruit?**
- <sup>13</sup> The boar from the forest ravages it,  
**and all that move in the field feed on it.**
- <sup>14</sup> Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down  
from heaven, and see;  
**have regard for this vine,**
- <sup>15</sup> the stock that your right hand planted,  
**and for the child whom you made strong  
for yourself.**
- <sup>16</sup> They have burned it with fire; they have cut  
it down;  
**may they perish at the rebuke of your  
face!**

- <sup>17</sup> But let your hand be on the one at your  
right hand,  
**the one whom you have made strong for  
yourself!**
- <sup>18</sup> Then we shall not turn back from you;  
**give us life, and we will call upon your  
name!**
- <sup>19</sup> Restore us, O Lord God of hosts!  
**Let your face shine, that we may be  
saved!**

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL**

**John 15:1-5**

## **STAND**

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

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

**Glory be to thee, O Christ.**

[Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup> “I am the true vine, and my  
Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every branch in  
me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and  
every branch that does bear fruit he prunes,  
that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> Already you are  
clean because of the word that I have spoken  
to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in me, and I in you. As the  
branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it  
abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you  
abide in me. <sup>5</sup> I am the vine; you are the  
branches. Those who abide in me and I in  
them, bear much fruit, for apart from me you  
can do nothing.”

This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

### **The Gospel**

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

### **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](http://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.

## **SERMON**

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

"Struggling for Hope"

The Rev. Timothy Houghton, Senior Pastor  
Sermon Series - *The Psalms of Advent*

## **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.**



## **WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER**

### **MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH**

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Brazil

DIOCESE: All Saints, Collingwood, All Saints, King City &  
All Saints, Kingsway

CLERICUS: St. James' Cathedral

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD**

Those living and working on Villiers Street & Don Roadway

### **LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS**

PRINT Magazine - Elaine Dodsworth-Lever

### **PARISH**

Anne Turcot; Peter Turcot; Penelope Tyndale; Jennifer & John van Gent,  
Joshua & Ainsley; Ed & Elena Vandenberg; Henry & Suzi Vanderspek,  
Juliana, Isaac & Nathan

### **MISSION PARTNERS**

Rev. Gus & Marliese Ketola (Pioneers) London, Ontario

## **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  
in the offering boxes in the Church Sanctuary.*

#### **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 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.**

## 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:

### 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.

**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".

**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.**

**We do not presume to come to this thy table,  
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own right-  
eousness, but in thy manifold and great mer-  
cies. 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.**

**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.

**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**

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 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 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.**

## MISSION MOMENT: Drs Philip & Nancy Wood

## CLOSING WORSHIP

**STAND**

## THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**



**NEXT SUNDAY, DEC 5, 2021**

Advent 2

9:00am In-Person Worship Communion Service

10:45am Livestream and In-Person Communion Service

(9am & 10:45am have concurrent Children's Ministry (K-5) and  
Campaigners (Gr 6-8))

6:30pm In-Person Communion Service

Reading: Ps 89:1-4; 19-26

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