LITTLE TRINITY

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Sunday, Sept 4, 2022

Worship & Communion Service **6:30pm**

WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

OPENING PRAYER

READINGS Malachi 3:1-5, 16-18

¹ "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

⁵"Then I will draw near to you for judgement. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in their wages, the widow and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts. [...]

¹⁶ Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name. ¹⁷ "They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a parent spares the child who serves them. ¹⁸ Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

Matthew 10:16-22, 28

¹⁶ [Jesus said:] "Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷ Beware of them,

for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸ and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹ When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰ For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹ Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved." [...] ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell."

SERMON "Refiner's Fire" James Beck Sermon Series: "Faith Out of Exile"

REFLECTION

CREED

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.

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.

PRAYERS

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Australia
DIOCESE: St. Paul the Apostle, Rexdale; St. Paul, Beaverton &
St. Paul, Bloor Street
CLERICUS: St. Andrew by the Lake

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Polson Street & Unwin Street

LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Stephen Ministry - Peggy Smith

PARISH

Ola Ojo & Verena Hornig, Aldo; Timothy Ong; Peter & Maureen Oulton; Sangita Patel & Allen Porayko, Ketan & Nikhil; Marilyn Pepper

MISSION PARTNERS

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

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

All: Merciful God, you have called us to be your people, but we have not loved one another as we ought. Selfish ambition has gripped us and we have failed to look out for others' interests above our own. Conceit and pride have gripped us, and we have failed to associate with and care for those who are different from

ourselves. Forgive us for these offenses against you and subdue within us everything that is contrary to your will. By the power of your Holy Spirit, transform us both individually and as a community. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Leader: Merciful and loving God, grant to each one of us forgiveness and peace; that we may start each day afresh, secure in the knowledge of your never failing love for us. Give us the strength to serve you this week, renewed in body, mind and spirit. We give you thanks through the name of Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer.

Amen.

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We praise and bless you, loving Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts that broken bread and wine out-poured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

On the night before your Son died, he had supper with his friends, and taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, shared it with them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

When supper was ended he took a cup of wine.

Again your Son gave you thanks, shared it 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.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, and with confidence, place all our hope on his sacrifice, made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught, we are bold to 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.

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. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.

MUSICAL WORSHIP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful Father, we thank you that you fed us with your bread and wine. Open our hearts this week that we may be transformed by your free offer of grace, not trapped by the demands of religion. Set us free to experience the joy of being freely loved and forgiven by you through the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. We ask these things in his name. Amen.

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING WORSHIP

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT 11, 2022

6:30 pm Worship & Communion Service Reading: Mark 12:28-34

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