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# LITTLE TRINITY

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**Sunday, July 14, 2024**

Worship & Communion Service

**6:30pm**

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**WELCOME****WORSHIP IN SONG****OPENING PRAYER****READINGS****Ephesians 2:1-10**

<sup>1</sup> And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of humanity. <sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**Luke 14:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. <sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. <sup>3</sup> And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" <sup>4</sup> But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, "Which of you, having a child or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull them out?" <sup>6</sup> <sup>6</sup> And they could not reply to these things.

<sup>7</sup> Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honour, saying to them, <sup>8</sup> “When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honour, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by them, <sup>9</sup> and the one who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give your place to this person,’ and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup> But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes they may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher.’ Then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at table with you. <sup>11</sup> For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

## SERMON

“Seeking the Seat of Honour”

Karen Koiter

Sermon Series: *Luke: Kingdom Parables*

## REFLECTION

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.**

Do you believe and trust in the saving work of Jesus Christ?

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## 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, you can scan the QR code attached to a pew for options or visit our website at [littletrinity.org/give](http://littletrinity.org/give).*

*If you wish to give in person, please deposit your offering in the offering boxes in the church sanctuary.*

## OFFERTORY WORSHIP

### WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

#### MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Ireland

DIOCESE: St. Jude, Wexford, St. Luke, Creemore & St. Luke, East York

CLERICUS: Church of the Redeemer

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Aitken Place & Hahn Place

#### LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Justice Animator - Karen Koiter

#### PARISH

Doug & Pat Markle; Sharon Marsden & Guy Riches, Laura & Adam; Coralie Martens; Darcy & Christine Martin; Natalie Martin; Jennifer & Keith Martin

#### MISSION PARTNERS

McDaniel & Blossom Phillips (TWR) London, Ontario

## PRAYERS

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

**All: Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service as Christ gave himself for us. Father, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit to us, that he may give us power to live as you have called us to live. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: May Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove your sins from you, as far as the east is from the west, strengthen your life in his kingdom, and keep you upright to the last day; through Jesus Christ our merciful Lord.

**Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you;  
**And also with you.**

### COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord is here. Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

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.

**Amen.**

## **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 de-  
liver 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, are welcome to the Lord's table. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.*

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Everlasting God, in faith you have adopted us as your children, made us members of the body of Christ and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom: We thank you that in this bread and wine you renew your promises within us, empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve, and send us out as disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

### CLOSING WORSHIP

### DISMISSAL

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



**NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2024**

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

Readings: Isaiah 25:1, 4a, 6-9; Luke 14:12-24

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