
LITTLE TRINITY

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Sunday, Mar 23, 2025

LENT 3 | Lamplighters Worship &
Communion Service

6:30pm

WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

LENTEN INVITATION AND CONFESSION

Dear friends in Christ, every year at the time of the Christian Passover we celebrate our redemption through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to prepare for this celebration and to renew our life in Him. We continue in this holy season by remembering our need for repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Lord, to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God.

And so now let us either sit or kneel before our Creator and Redeemer, and confess our sins.

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.**

READINGS:**Ephesians 5:18b, 21-33**

^{18b} ... Be filled with the Spirit, [...]

²¹ Submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ. ²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Saviour.

²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendour, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body. ³¹ "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Mark 10: 35-37, 41-45

³⁵ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." [...]

⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

SERMON

"Spirit-filled Relationships"

Tim Haughton

Sermon Series: Ephesians – The Forming of a Kingdom Community

REFLECTION

CREED

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.

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

OFFERTORY WORSHIP

PRAYERS

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Central America

DIOCESE: St. Andrew-by-the-Lake, St. Andrew, Alliston &
St. Andrew, Scarborough

CLERICUS: Chaplain, Mount Sinai Hospital

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Queen's Quay East & Bonnycastle Street

LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Children and Family Ministry - Director: Janelle Gordon,
Assistant Director: Natalie Lundy

PARISH

Lilia Fuller-Thomson; Elysia Fuller-Thomson; Graeme Glebe; Bryan
Gooderham; Janelle & Stephen Gordon, Anders & Milo; Paul Goulet

MISSION PARTNERS

Drs Philip & Nancy Wood (WEC) Bunia, DR Congo

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. 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

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, MAR 30, 2025

6:30pm - Lamplighters Taize Service
Reading: Ephesians 6:1-9

GET IN TOUCH

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