LITTLE TRINITY

SINCE 1842



Sunday, May 18, 2025

Lamplighters Worship & Communion Service
6:30pm

WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

OPENING PRAYER

READINGS Ezekiel 36:22-29

²² "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³ And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴ I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. ²⁸ You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your ancestors, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. ²⁹ And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you."

Matthew 13:10-17

Then the disciples came and said to him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" ¹¹ And he answered them, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For to the one who has, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what they have will be taken away. ¹³ This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do

not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. 14 Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says:

""You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive."

15 For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed,

lest they should see with their eyes
and hear with their ears
and understand with their heart
and turn, and I would heal them."

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SERMON "Spirit of a New Heart" James Beck

Sermon Series: "We Believe in the Holy Spirit"

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.

¹⁶ But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. ¹⁷ For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

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, 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.

PRAYERS

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East DIOCESE: St. George, Pickering Village, St. Hilary, Cooksville & St. Hugh and St. Edmund CLERICUS: Church of St. Bartholomew

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Eastern Avenue Diversion & Lawren Harris Square

LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

People's Warden - Anthony Jonker

PARISH

Diane & Greg James; Liz & JJ James, Josiah & Noah; Vivienne James; Andrew & Aimée Janzen, Anna & Elias; Mike & Jodi Janzen, Haddie & June

MISSION PARTNERS

McDaniel & Blossom Phillips (TWR) London, Ontario

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you made all things, and you call everyone to account. In sorrow, we confess the sins we have committed against you, in thought, word and deed. We turn from our sins and are truly sorry for them; they are a burden we cannot bear. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all that is past. Enable us to serve and please you in newness of life, to your honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God our heavenly Father; who has promised to forgive the sins of all who turn to him with repentance and faith, have mercy on us; pardon and deliver us from all our sins, strengthen us to do his will, and keep us in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our 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 indeed right, to give you, our Father, thanks and praise through Jesus.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to die upon the cross; raised from the dead, exalted to your right hand.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

In the same night that he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and gave you thanks; he broke 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.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them saying: 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.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

Accept our praises and grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood. As we eat and drink these holy gifts, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

To you be glory and praise for ever. 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 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; May the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; May the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; May the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; And may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; Glory to you for ever. 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, MAY 25, 2025

6:30pm - Lamplighters Worship & Communion Service Reading: John 3:1-15

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