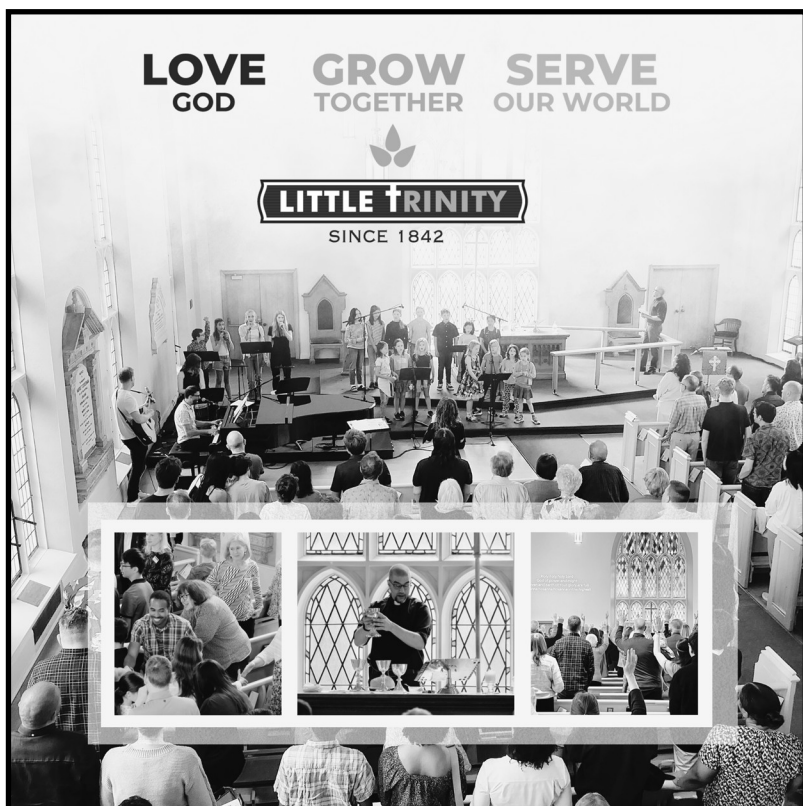


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# LITTLE TRINITY

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**Sunday, May 25, 2025**

**EPB Worship & Communion Service**

**9:00am & 10:45am**

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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 **English Prayer Book - (EPB)** contemporized version of the original prayer book from when the Anglican Church began in the 1500's. The EPB is basically scripture, re-ordered.

If this is new to you please join in only where 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 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 pre-  
pared 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 Trini-  
ty, appealing first to the  
Lord, our Father, second-  
ly 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.

## WELCOME

## MUSICAL WORSHIP

**STAND**

## OPENING PRAYERS

**SIT/KNEEL**

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden,  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, the Lord  
our God is one Lord. You shall love the Lord your  
God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and  
with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is  
the first and great commandment. And the second  
is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.  
On these two commandments hang all the Law and  
the Prophets.

**Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these  
your laws in our hearts.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you;  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**O Christ for whom we search, our help when help has failed: give us courage to expose our need and ask to be made whole, so that, being touched by you, we may be raised to new life in the power of your name. Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### LESSON

**Ezekiel 36:25-29a**

**SIT**

9am Reader: Maureen Oulton

10:45am Reader: Jeanette Howitt

<sup>25</sup> [The Lord God says:] "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. <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. <sup>28</sup> You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your ancestors, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. <sup>29</sup> And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses.

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

### 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.

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**The Gospel**

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

**GOSPEL****John 3:1-15****STAND**

9am Reader: Kat Kennedy

10:45am Reader: Matthias Schilke

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel is written in the third chapter of the Gospel according to Saint John beginning at the first verse.

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

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with them." <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born again." <sup>4</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born when they are old? Can they enter a second time into their mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, they cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' <sup>8</sup> The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup> Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup> If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly

things? <sup>13</sup> No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup> And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.”

The Gospel of Christ

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

## **SERMON**                      **STAND** for prayer, then **SIT**

“You MUST be Born Again!”

The Rev. Canon Timothy Haughton

Senior Pastor

Sermon Series: “*We Believe in the Holy Spirit*”

## **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 as-  
cended into heaven, and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father. He will come again to  
judge the living and the dead.**

#### 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.

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**

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.

#### **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 Kenya

DIOCESE: St. James Cathedral, St. James the Apostle, Brampton &  
St. James the Apostle, Sharon

CLERICUS: St. Paul's - Bloor Street

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD**

Those living and working on Bayview Avenue & Eastern Avenue

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

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

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.

#### **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](http://littletrinity.org/give).*

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

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Heavenly Father, thank you that we have these gifts to share. Help us to be generous in supporting the work of the gospel and caring for those in need, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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**

You then, who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from this day forward in God's holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to almighty God.

### 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.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all, we acknowledge and confess our many sins, which we have committed, by thought, word and deed, against your divine majesty. We earnestly repent, and are truly sorry for all our misdoings. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that from now on we may always serve and please you in lives wholly renewed by your Spirit, to the honour and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all who turn to him with heartfelt repentance and true faith: have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE PEACE**

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

### **COMMUNION**

Hear now these words of assurance for all who truly turn to Christ.

Jesus said: 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest'.

*(Matthew 11:28)*

'God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life.'

*(John 3:16)*

#### **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.

The apostle Paul said: 'Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners'.  
(1 Tim. 1:15)

The apostle John said: 'If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.'  
(1 John 2:1-2)

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts;

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, forever praising you, and singing:

**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, in your tender mercy you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his once and for all offering of himself, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. He instituted, and in his holy gospel, commands us to continue a perpetual memorial of his precious death until he comes again.

### **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".

Hear us, O merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that we who receive this bread and wine according to your Son Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood.

On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread and when he had given 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.

In the same way, after supper, Jesus took the cup and when he had given 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.

Accept through Jesus Christ, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and as we eat and drink these holy gifts, grant by the power of your life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him: Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. 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.

**We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord who delights in showing mercy.**

**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat this bread and to drink this wine, that our bodies and souls may be cleansed by Christ's body and blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. 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.*

## MUSICAL WORSHIP

### 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.**

#### 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.

## **PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you with all our hearts for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. We acknowledge your love and care for us in making us members of his mystical body, the blessed company of all faithful people, and heirs of eternal life.

**And here we offer and present ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a holy and living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you 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.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CLOSING WORSHIP**

***STAND***

## **THE DISMISSAL**

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



## NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

**9am & 10:45am** - BAS Communion & Worship Services  
(with concurrent Children & Youth Ministries)

**6:30pm** - Lamplighters Worship & Communion Service  
Readings: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16; John 14:15-17, 25-27; 16:13-16

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