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# LITTLE TRINITY

SINCE 1842



**Sunday, Sept 21, 2025**

Lamplighters Worship &  
Communion Service

**6:30pm**

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**WELCOME****WORSHIP IN SONG****OPENING PRAYER****READINGS****1 Samuel 11:12-15; 12:6-25**

<sup>12</sup> Then the people said to Samuel, "Who is it that said, 'Shall Saul reign over us?' Bring the men, that we may put them to death." <sup>13</sup> But Saul said, "Not a man shall be put to death this day, for today the Lord has worked salvation in Israel." <sup>14</sup> Then Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingdom." <sup>15</sup> So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the Lord in Gilgal. There they sacrificed peace offerings before the Lord, and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly. [...]

<sup>12</sup> <sup>6</sup> And Samuel said to the people, "The Lord is witness, who appointed Moses and Aaron and brought your ancestors up out of the land of Egypt.

<sup>7</sup> Now therefore stand still that I may plead with you before the Lord concerning all the righteous deeds of the Lord that he performed for you and for your ancestors. <sup>8</sup> When Jacob went into Egypt, and the Egyptians oppressed them, then your ancestors cried out to the Lord and the Lord sent Moses and Aaron, who brought your ancestors out of Egypt and made them dwell in this place. <sup>9</sup> But they forgot the Lord their God. And he sold them into the hand of Sisera, commander of the army of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab. And they fought against them. <sup>10</sup> And they cried out to the Lord and said, 'We have sinned, because we have forsaken the Lord and have served the Baals and the Ashtaroht. But now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, that we may serve you.' <sup>11</sup> And the Lord sent Jerubbaal and Barak and Jephthah and Samuel and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and you lived in safety. <sup>12</sup> And when you saw that Nahash the king of the Ammonites came against you, you said to me, 'No, but a king shall reign over us,' when the Lord your God was your king. <sup>13</sup> And now behold the king whom you have chosen, for whom you have asked; behold, the Lord has set a king over you. <sup>14</sup> If you will fear the Lord and serve him and obey his voice and not rebel against the commandment of the Lord, and if both you and the king who reigns over you will

follow the Lord your God, it will be well.<sup>15</sup> But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord, but rebel against the commandment of the Lord, then the hand of the Lord will be against you and your king.<sup>16</sup> Now therefore stand still and see this great thing that the Lord will do before your eyes.<sup>17</sup> Is it not wheat harvest today? I will call upon the Lord, that he may send thunder and rain. And you shall know and see that your wickedness is great, which you have done in the sight of the Lord, in asking for yourselves a king.”<sup>18</sup> So Samuel called upon the Lord, and the Lord sent thunder and rain that day, and all the people greatly feared the Lord and Samuel.

<sup>19</sup> And all the people said to Samuel, “Pray for your servants to the Lord your God, that we may not die, for we have added to all our sins this evil, to ask for ourselves a king.”<sup>20</sup> And Samuel said to the people, “Do not be afraid; you have done all this evil. Yet do not turn aside from following the Lord, but serve the Lord with all your heart.<sup>21</sup> And do not turn aside after empty things that cannot profit or deliver, for they are empty.<sup>22</sup> For the Lord will not forsake his people, for his great name’s sake, because it has pleased the Lord to make you a people for himself.<sup>23</sup> Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you, and I will instruct you in the good and the right way.<sup>24</sup> Only fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you.<sup>25</sup> But if you still do wickedly, you shall be swept away, both you and your king.”

### **Luke 21: 25-28; 34-36**

<sup>25</sup> [Jesus said:] “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves,<sup>26</sup> people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken.<sup>27</sup> And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.<sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. [...]

<sup>34</sup> “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap.<sup>35</sup> For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. [36] But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

"Who Invited This Guy to the Party?"

Tim Haughton

Sermon Series: *Turning Tides: From Repentance to Dependence*

## 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

*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

### PRAYERS

## 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.**

## 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.*

## 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, now and forever. Amen.**

## **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, SEPT 28, 2025**

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

Reading: 1 Samuel 15:1-3; 7-31, 34-35

**WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER**

**MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH**

WORLDWIDE: The Church in South Sudan

DIOCESE: St. Peter and St. Simon the Apostle, St. Peter, Cobourg &  
St. Peter, Erindale

CLERICUS: Chaplain, Mount Sinai Hospital

**NEIGHBOURHOOD**

Those living and working on Adelaide Street East & Duke Mews

**LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS**

20s/30s Group - Matthias Schilke, Ben Winter, Mark Moore, Jason Hayhoe

**PARISH**

Beverly O'Brien & Andrew Davis; Marilyn Pepper; Thelma Peregrino-  
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