
LITTLE TRINITY

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Sunday, Aug 9, 2026

Worship & Communion Service

6:30pm

WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

OPENING PRAYER

READINGS

Acts 8:26-40

Reader: Kamesha Graham

²⁶ Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place.

²⁷ And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸ and was returning, seated in his

chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰ So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

³¹ And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³² Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter
and like a lamb before its shearer is silent,
so he opens not his mouth.

³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴ And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵ Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶ And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸ And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹ And

when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 3:13-17

Reader: Chris Robinson

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. ¹⁶ And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷ and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Glorious Scandal of the Gospel"

Tim Haughton

Sermon Series: Acts: Empowered to Bear Witness to Jesus' Kingdom

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.

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

OFFERTORY WORSHIP

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, now and forever. 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

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 inheri-
tors 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.

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

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Episcopal Church

DIOCESE: St. Mary, Richmond Hill, St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole & St. Matthew, Islington

CLERICUS: All Saints Church-Community Centre

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Those living and working on Polson Street & Unwin Avenue

LITTLE TRINITY COMMUNITY AND LEADERS

Senior Pastor - The Rev. Canon Timothy Haughton

PARISH

Karen & Ian Koiter; Alexis & Troy Kolar; Reyann Kong; Jane Kuchma & Andrew Norris, Katherine, Michael & Eva; Kay Kuttimol; Charmaine & Dustin Kuruc, Naomi

MISSION PARTNERS

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NEXT SUNDAY, AUG 16, 2026

6:30pm - Lamplighters Worship & Communion Service
Reading: Acts 9:1-19



LAMPLIGHTERS: SEEN BUT NOT SCENTED!

Scented products can cause serious health reactions for some individuals. In an effort to maintain a space that is welcoming for all, our Lamplighters service is designated scent-free. Please refrain from wearing perfumes, colognes, scented lotions, and other fragrances at this service.

Thank you for your compassion!



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