



ORDER FOR WORSHIP

1st Sunday in Lent

March 6, 2022

These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God's grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to acknowledge this land on which St. Philip's Lutheran Church is located. For thousands of years, it has been the traditional land of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinaabeg, the Haudenosaunee, and the Wendat peoples. We are grateful to have the opportunity to meet, worship, and serve on this land.

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of God,
who makes a way in the wilderness,
walks with us,
and guides us in our pilgrimage.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,
**we confess that we have wandered far from you:
we have not trusted your promises,
we have ignored your prophets in our own day,
we have squandered our inheritance of grace,
we have failed to recognize you in our midst.**

**Have mercy on us!
Forgive us and turn us again to you.
Teach us to follow in your ways,
assure us again of your love,
and help us to love our neighbor.
Amen.**

Beloved in Christ,
the Word draws near to you,
and all who call out to God shall be saved.
In Jesus, God comes to you again and again
and gathers you under wings of love.
In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.
God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.
Amen.

GATHERING SONG

"As Your Spirit in the Desert " ,

vs. 1, 3, 5 ACS 923

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26: 1 - 11

The annual harvest festival, called the Feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshippers announce God's gracious acts on behalf of Israel.

¹When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, ⁷we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

BIBLE BUNCH SONG

"It is Written"

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

Luke 4: 1 –13

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called “the Son of God.”

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” ⁴Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” ⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” ⁸Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” ⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ ¹¹and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” ¹²Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

vs. 1, 2, 4 ELW 808

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends: Merciful God,

Response: **receive our prayer.**

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

SHARING OF PEACE

PRAYER

Extravagant God,
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.
Now we gather at your feast
where you offer us the food that satisfies.
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,
in whose name we pray.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts
and prepare with joy for the paschal feast,
that, renewed in the gift of baptism,
we may come to the fullness of your grace.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Gathered around this table,
we your children unite in this song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you create the worlds,
you uphold the living,
you embrace the dead.
Send forth your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.
Strengthen us for our journey with this meal,
the body and blood of Christ.
Give us a future that trusts in you
and cares for your earth.
Empowered by your promises,
we rise from our deaths
to praise you again:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen.
Amen and amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Here is food and drink for the journey.
Take and be filled.

COMMUNION HYMN

“Lamb of God”

ACS Setting 11

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed Jesus,
in this rich meal of grace,
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope
to a world in need.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

You are children of God,
anointed with the oil of gladness
and strengthened for the journey.
Almighty God,
motherly, majestic, and mighty,
✠ bless you this day and always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

“Bless Now, O God, the Journey”

ELW 623

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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SERVING TODAY

Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek	Pastor
Chris Ritcey-Conrad	Music Director
Brenda Paddon	Supply Organist/Pianist
Dawn Pascoe	Reader
Marcia Powers-Dunlop	Prayers
St. Philip's Choir	Music
Eric Fergin	Livestream Usher
Dave Pascoe	Audio Visual

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS

Gus Berndt, Kevin Cartwright, Rodney Erlandson, Al Jacksteit, Matt Kirkpatrick, Mona Kibsey, Mark Kieswetter, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Lynette, and the family of Helen Scollnik who passed away March 2nd.

THANK YOU

We thank Brenda Paddon for filling in for Chris Ritcey-Conrad who is away in Nova Scotia celebrating his mom's 60th birthday!

WAYS TO BE INVOLVED

- Wednesday Soup Suppers @ 6:00 pm w/ Evening Prayer @ 7:00 pm.
- Join in the Coffee Hour Sunday mornings after worship.
- Volunteer to set up or clean up for coffee hour – see sign-up sheet

PASSING THE PLATE

Thanks for giving your offering regularly. Our ministries need your support. Details for how to give are on our website: stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/

ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of the Annual Report are available for pick-up in the narthex. You may view the full 2021 Annual Report on the church website also.



ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

Monday	1:00 pm Zumba Gold 7:15 pm Joyful Noise Bell Choir
Tuesday	
Wednesday	10:00 am Cover Girls 6:00 pm Soup Supper 7:00 pm Lenten Evening Prayer 7:30 pm Vocal Choir
Thursday	Neighbourhood Table @ Home
Friday	7:00 pm Lakeshore African Violet Society
Saturday	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS – Spring forward

OUR VISION

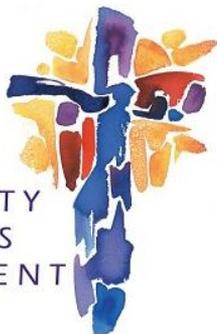
*Freed by the grace of Christ, we seek to connect with God,
neighbour and self.*

VISION STATEMENT:

We are a diverse and inclusive Lutheran faith community freed by the grace of Christ to find God and self as we connect with our neighbours. We **practise hospitality** of open hearts and open arms. We **unite with partners** to make a difference in our neighbourhood. We **nurture** the community of Christ.

LENT / EASTER SCHEDULE

THE
FORTY
DAYS
of LENT



Ash Wednesday	March 2
1 st Sunday of Lent	March 6
2 nd Sunday of Lent	March 13
3 rd Sunday of Lent	March 20
4 th Sunday of lent	March 27
5 th Sunday of Lent	April 3
Palm Sunday	April 10
Maundy Thursday	April 14
Good Friday	April 15
Easter Sunday	April 17



Soup Suppers return to St. Philip's starting **Wednesday, March 9th @ 6:00 pm**. Committees and groups have been assigned for a particular supper throughout Lent and Holy Week. Our new Church Council has been assigned the first supper. Please see sign-up sheet in the narthex.

The suppers will be followed by a **Lenten Evening Prayer @ 7:00 pm**. COVID-19 protocols will be in place with masking and physical distancing.

OBITUARY
Helen Lydia Scollnik



By God's grace and surrounded by her family, Helen passed peacefully in her 95th year on March 2, 2022 at Credit Valley Hospital. Helen was born in Rhein, Saskatchewan, but spent most of her life in Toronto. Preceded in death by her husband, Peter (1984). Helen will be deeply missed by her children Sharon (Vinci) and David; grandchildren Lori (Kenny), Anthony (Joy), Valerie (Andrew); and great-grand children (Jared, Natalia, Ethan). Helen was a gracious host, opening her home to family and friends over the years. She will be remembered for her kindness, generosity, and optimism.

The family will share information about a celebration of Helen's life to be held mid-summer 2022. Memorial donations can be made in Helen's name to St. Philip's Lutheran Church or to the St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog Program, whose dogs brought joy to Helen when visiting Amica City Centre.

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