



# ORDER FOR WORSHIP

*7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*

*May 29, 2022*

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*It is possible to hear in Jesus' high priestly prayer, a prayer he offered shortly before his death, the petitions of the ascended Christ for his own throughout history—to our day—and beyond. Jesus prays for us. In holy baptism we become believers in God, have our robes washed in the flood of Christ's forgiveness, and receive the gift of life forever with all the saints.*

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## GATHERING

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

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### PRELUDE

### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

### WELCOME

### GATHERING SONG

"Take Me to the Water"

ACS 957

### GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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

### CANTICLE OF PRAISE

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

# WORD

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

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## FIRST READING

### **Acts 16: 16 - 34**

*Those who had enslaved a girl and used her powers to tell fortunes threw Paul and Silas into jail for ordering the spirit to come out of her and consequently ruining their business. In prison, Paul and Silas bring the good news of the gospel to the jailer and his family.*

<sup>16</sup>One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. <sup>17</sup>While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." <sup>18</sup>She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. <sup>19</sup>But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. <sup>20</sup>When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews <sup>21</sup>and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." <sup>22</sup>The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup>After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. <sup>24</sup>Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. <sup>25</sup>About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup>Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. <sup>27</sup>When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup>But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." <sup>29</sup>The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell

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down trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup>Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" <sup>31</sup>They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." <sup>32</sup>They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. <sup>33</sup>At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. <sup>34</sup>He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 97

- <sup>1</sup>The Lord reigns; let the | earth rejoice;  
let the multitude of the | isles be glad.
- <sup>2</sup>**Clouds and darkness sur- | round the Lord, righteousness and  
justice are the foundations | of God's throne.**
- <sup>3</sup>Fire goes be- | fore the Lord, burning up enemies on | every side.
- <sup>4</sup>**Lightnings light | up the world;  
the earth | sees and trembles.**
- <sup>5</sup>The mountains | melt like wax before the Lord of | all the earth.
- <sup>6</sup>**The heavens declare your righteous- | ness, O Lord,  
and all the peoples | see your glory.**
- <sup>7</sup>Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight | in  
false gods! Bow down before the Lord, | all you gods.
- <sup>8</sup>**Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Ju- | dah rejoice,  
because of your judg- | ments, O Lord.**
- <sup>9</sup>For you are the Lord, most high over | all the earth;  
you are exalted far a- | bove all gods.
- <sup>10</sup>**You who love the | Lord, hate evil!  
God guards the lives of the saints and rescues them from the  
hand | of the wicked.**
- <sup>11</sup>Light dawns | for the righteous,  
and joy for the hon- | est of heart.
- <sup>12</sup>**Rejoice in the | Lord, you righteous,  
and give thanks to God's | holy name.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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## GOSPEL

### *John 17: 20 - 26*

*Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.*

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>20</sup>"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup>"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY

"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" vs. 1, 2, 3, 6 ELW 719

## CREED

**P:** Let us affirm our faith.

**C:** **We belong to God, eternal and infinite, Creator of all things and all that is to come. We follow Christ, who comes to us from God and reveals God to us. He heals people and transforms lives, and calls us to join in his ministry. He was crucified, died, and was raised again by God, and reigns over all creation, and he bids us to die and rise with him in the service of the healing of the world.**

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We are moved by the Holy Spirit, together with the communion of saints, as members of the body of Christ, God's holy universal church.

We are confident in the forgiveness of sin, the power of the resurrection and the reality of eternal life. In all things, it is our desire to follow Christ, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for God's glory. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends: God, in your mercy,

Response: **hear our prayer.**

### MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

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#### SHARING OF PEACE

##### PRAYER

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**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. And so, with all the witnesses of the resurrection, we praise your name and join their unending song:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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## 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.**

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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ dwells with us here.

All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

## LAMB OF GOD

## COMMUNION HYMN

"One Bread, One Body"

ELW 496

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

# SENDING

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

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## BLESSING

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG

“Son of God, Eternal Savior”

vs. 1 - 3 ELW 655

## DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Go in peace. Tell what God has done. **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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## ST. PHILIP'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

### SERVING TODAY

Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek	Pastor
Chris Ritcey-Conrad	Music Director
Ellen van Rensburg-Gallipoli	Reader
Marcia Powers-Dunlop	Prayers
Karen Adolph	Livestream Usher
Dave Pascoe	Audio Visual

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PHILIP'S

Monday	1:00 pm Zumba
Tuesday	7:00 pm Bible Study on Zoom
Wednesday	10:00 am Cover Girls 7:30 pm Vocal Choir
Thursday	9:00 am – 9:00 pm: Elections Ontario

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Gus Berndt, Kevin Cartwright, Rodney Erlandson, Anna Feller, Luke Fergin, Al Jacksteit, Mona Kibsey, Mark Kieswetter, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Polly Seefeldt, Ursula Stavitsky, Emeris, George, Helen, Lynette, and the friends and family of Lorraine Dunsmuir who passed away May 21, 2022.

## OFFERING

Please place your offering on the plate in the centre aisle. Other options can be found on our website: [stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/](http://stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/)

## SANCTUARY RENTAL

Suzuki Music will hold a recital in the Sanctuary today @ 1:00 pm.

## UKRAINIAN AID

St. Philip's is partnering with two Ukrainian organizations providing for the immediate needs of Ukrainian refugees as they arrive in Toronto.

Here's how we can help them:

- Cheques or cash
- Gift cards from Canadian Tire, WalMart, or Dollarama
- **New** bedding/linens in original packaging

Please place your donation in the offering plate or leave purchased items with Pastor Tuula.

## OUR VISION

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

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