

EASY PRINT – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost - September 10, 2023

Please rise in body or spirit and sing

Processional Hymn: #601 – “GOD WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING”

God, whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store:
Nature’s wonder, Jesus’ wisdom, costly cross, grave’s shattered door.
Gifted by You, we turn to You, off’ring up ourselves in praise:
Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, Your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone:
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at Your throne.

Treasure, too, You have entrusted, gain through pow’rs Your grace conferred:
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the Gospel Word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ’s ageless call.
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.

✠ The Gathering of the Community

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Almighty God,

All: **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Please kneel or be seated

Leader: Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

Please be seated

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Exodus 12.1-14

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm #149

Please remain seated



Cantor: Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful. Let Israel rejoice in his maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king. *Refrain*

Cantor: Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp. For the Lord takes pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with victory. Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them be joyful on their beds. *Refrain*

Cantor: Let the praise of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand; To wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples; *Refrain*

Cantor: To bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron; To inflict on them the judgement decreed; this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah! *Refrain*

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Please be seated

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbour as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Romans 13.8-14

A moment of silence is observed

Gospel Acclamation: #715

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

The Congregation sings the "Alleluias". The Cantor sings the verse.

All: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Cantor: The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living?

It is brought to us, by Our Lord Jesus Christ!

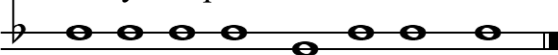
All: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Gospel

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

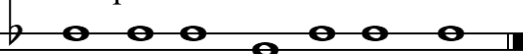
All: 

Glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 18.15–20

All: 

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

All: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Cantor: The Word is united to God; now through the Christ reconciling,
God has trusted us with the news of redeeming love!

All: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Anthem: “YOUR PATH TOWARDS HOME”

SUNG BY THE LEADS

Dedicated to the congregation — near and far — of St. John the Baptist Dixie Anglican Church in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. Written to honour how the community persevered, grew, and supported each other through the COVID-19 pandemic. Premiered on St. John's Day, June 2021.

Lyrics: Erin Noel; Music and Arrangement: Jeff McLeod

*When the skies darken the world grows uncertain
In uncharted waters you're scared and alone
Cast your eye yonder, out to the horizon
The light's always been here, your path toward home.*

*People may say you just don't belong,
They block your way, they say you're wrong.
Around here we sing a different song:
You've been God's beloved child all along*

*Come ashore now out of the cold
You're invited wholeheartedly into the fold
It's a joy now to see you this community blest
By the three in the window keeping watch for the rest.*

*This light always shines bright, steady, and true
Though you may not see it when skies are blue.
It beams o'er the ocean, the land, and the skies
God's love reaching toward you from warm smiling eyes.*

*No matter how near or far you may be
No matter your struggles, your flaws, or despair
You can rejoice give thanks and sing
Knowing that you are always welcome here*

*When the skies darken the world grows uncertain
In uncharted waters you're scared and alone
Cast your eye yonder out to the horizon
The light's always been here, your path toward home.*

The Nicene Creed

Please rise in body or spirit

Leader: Let us confess our faith as we say,

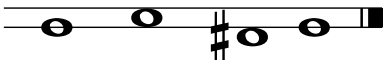
All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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.**

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel or be seated

The Leader offers prayers for the church, the world, the sick and the suffering, and those who have died.

Leader: Let us pray in faith to God our Father, to his Son Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, singing,

All: A musical staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of five notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), and D5 (half). The notes are represented by circles on the staff, with a sharp sign (#) below the staff for the key signature.

Lord, have mer - cy

Leader: For the Church of the living God throughout the world. In the Mississauga Deanery of Prayer, we pray for Trinity – St. Paul, Port Credit, and the Reverend Canon Jim Woolley, in our own parish, we pray for the readers of St. Johns. For all who proclaim the word of truth, let us ask the riches of his grace, let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For Charles our King, for Justin the Prime Minister of this country, Doug the Premier of Ontario and for all who govern the nations, that they may strive for justice and peace, let us ask the strength of God, let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For scholars and research-workers, that their studies may benefit humanity, for those who heal and care for the sick, and for those who are suffering..., let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For those who rest from their labours, remembering ..., and our late Queen, Her Majesty, Elizabeth II, for whom the memorial flowers are offered, that we may trust their souls and our cares to God's eternal love, let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Almighty God,

All: **you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfil now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Please kneel or be seated

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Leader: Most merciful God,

All: **we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not**

loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Peace

Please rise in body or spirit

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #487 – “WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL”

All Sing

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ’s love, by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other’s faults as we our faults confess;
And let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;
Be His the glory that we seek, be ours His holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells God’s begotten Son;
As members of His body joined, we are in Him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed, if honored be God’s name;
Our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.

*The ministry of the church depends on the generosity of it’s members.
We give in the thanksgiving for all that God has given us.*

Offertory Sentence

All sing



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise



him a-bove, ye heav-en-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

✠ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen**



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

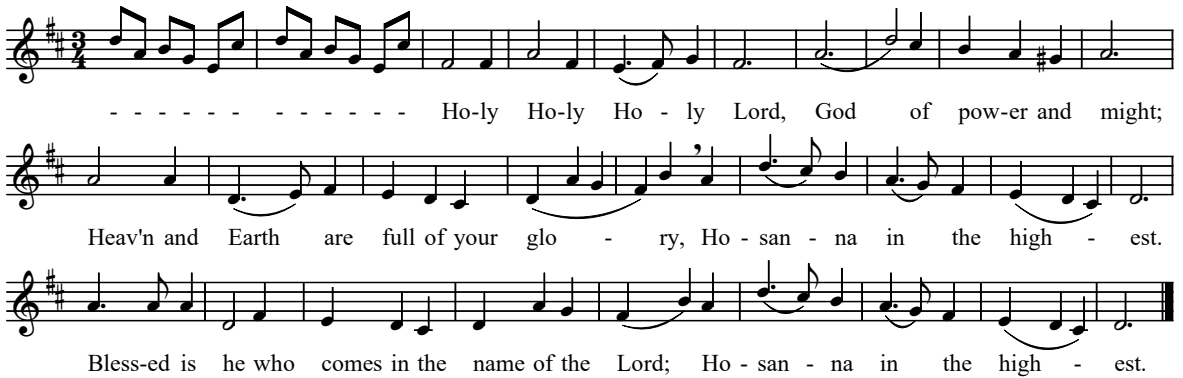


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise

Priest: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

All sing



----- Ho-ly Ho-ly Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might;
Heav'n and Earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honour your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, our Saviour Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Priest: As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Priest: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our saviour Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honour, glory and praise, for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider:

All sing unaccompanied
People:

As our Sav-iour taught us let us pray. Our Fath - er in hea-ven,
hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come, your will be done,
on earth as in hea-ven, Give us to - day our dai - ly bread,
For-give us our sins, as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of trial. And de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king-dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Music: M. Robinson
Theodore Presser Co.

Priest: Creator of all, you give us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All: **So many your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

Priest: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

All sing



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world, have mer-cy, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.

The Communion

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion.
Please come forward to the Altar rail and stand or kneel as you prefer.*

Communion Hymn: (AAH) #686 – “LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER” *All sing*

1 Let us break bread together on our knees.
Let us break bread together on our knees.

*When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord have mercy on me.*

Let us drink wine together on our knees.
Let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

Let us praise God together on our knees.
Let us praise God together on our knees. *Refrain*

Communion Hymn: (AAH) “519 – “FAMILY OF GOD” *All sing*

*I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God,
I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood!
Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod,
For I'm part of the family, the Family of God.*

You will notice we say "brother and sister" 'round here,
It's because we're a family and these are so near;
When one has a heartache, we all share the tears,
And rejoice in each victory in this family so dear. *Refrain*

From the door of an orphanage to the house of the King,
No longer an outcast, a new song I sing;
From rags unto riches, from the weak to the strong,
I'm not worthy to be here, but praise God I belong! *Refrain*

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Please stand

Priest: Glory to God

All: **whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: AAH “634 – “GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN” *All sing*

God be with you till we meet again; By God’s counsels guide, uphold you,
With God’s sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

*Refrain: Till we meet till we meet, Till we meet at Jesus’s feet,
Till we meet , till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.*

God be with you till we meet again. ‘Neath God’s wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again. *Refrain;*

God be with you till we meet again; When life’s perils thick confound you,
Put God’s arms unfailing round you; God be with you till we meet again. *Refrain;*

God be with your till we meet again; Keep love’s banner floating o’er you,
Smite death’s threat’ning wave before you; God be with you till we meet again.
Refrain;

Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Best Wishes to
Dr. Jeff McLeod**



And

Erin Noel

We will miss you both.

