

EASY PRINT – Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost – August 23, 2026

Please rise in body or spirit and sing

Processional Hymn: #1 – “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY”

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy, Merciful and mighty
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

✠ The Gathering of the Community

Priest: 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.**

Priest: 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.**

Please kneel or be seated

Priest: Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives 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

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.” Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it.

When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

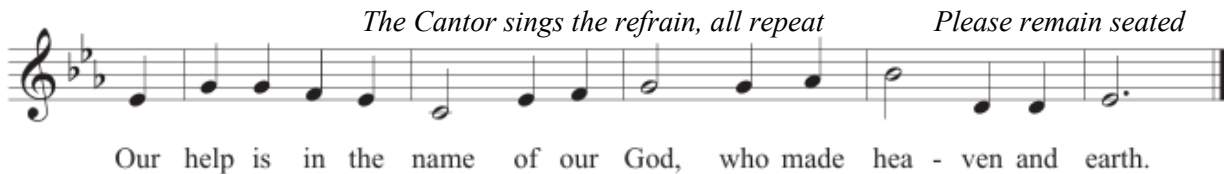
Reader: The word of the Lord.

Exodus 1.8-2.10

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm # 124



Verse: If God had not been on our side, let Israel now say; If God had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us: **REFRAIN**

Verse: Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us. Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us. Then would the raging waters have gone right over us. **REFRAIN**

Verse: Blessed be God! Who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped. Our help is in the name of God, the maker of heaven and earth. **REFRAIN**

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

Please be seated

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Romans 12.1-8

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Please rise in body or spirit & sing

Sequence Hymn: #496 – “TEACH ME, MY GOD AND KING”

The first two verses are sung before the Gospel.

Teach me, my God and King, in all things thee to see,
and what I do in anything to do it as for thee.

All may of thee partake; nothing can be so mean,
which with this tincture, "For thy sake," will not grow bright and clean.

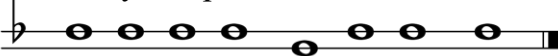
The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.

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.

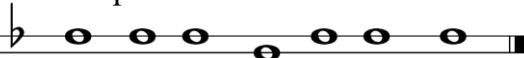
All: 

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

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Priest: The Gospel of Christ.

Matthew 16.13-20

All: 

Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

The last two verses will be sung; after the Gospel.

A servant with this clause makes drudgery divine;
who sweeps a room as for thy laws makes that and the action fine.

This is the famous stone that turneth all to gold;
for that which God doth touch and own cannot for less be told.

Sermon

Please be seated

The Nicene Creed

Please rise in body or spirit

Leader: Let us confess our faith as we say,

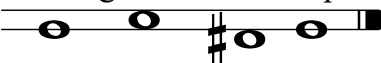
All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with 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: As we gather in God's presence, let us pray to the Lord, singing,

All: The musical notation is a single line with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a treble clef. The notes are: a half note G4, a half note A4, a quarter note B4 (marked with a sharp), a half note C5, and a half note D5. The line ends with a double bar line.

Lord, have mer - cy

Leader: For the whole People of God and for the church, in the Mississauga Deanery we pray for In our parish we pray for ..., and that we drawing near to the light of faith that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, ..., that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For our families and friends, and remembering our loved ones who have gone before us, (*deceased*)...., that the Lord will hold them in his merciful love, let us pray to the Lord.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For the whole human family and especially for our own country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true growth and well-being, 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

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.**
Am

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.**

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

Offertory Hymn: #386 – “WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS”

All sing

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the cross of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

✕ The Celebration of the Eucharist

Priest: God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Presider: *People:*

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 indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses and Miriam you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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: Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will. On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

All: **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Priest: Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider:

People:

All sing unaccompanied



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: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

All: **God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Priest: If you are joining us from home, please pray with me this prayer for Spiritual Communion.

The following is said by the Priest and those worshipping with us online.

Online: Lord Jesus, you are the Word that became flesh to dwell among us, and you are the Bread of Life, sent down from heaven. As I cannot now take the bread or wine, let your Word abide in my heart, that I may abide in you.

All: **Amen.**

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

Those who have been baptized in any Christian church, including children, are welcome to receive communion. If you have not been baptized yet or do not wish to receive the bread and wine, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest to alert the priest you wish to receive a blessing. Indicate to the priest if you would like to have him intinct the wafer for you.

Communion Hymn: #57 - "THOU, WHO AT THY FIRST EUCHARIST"

All sing

Thou, who at thy first eucharist didst pray that all thy church might be forever one,
grant us at every eucharist to say with longing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."
O may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.

For all thy church, O Lord, we intercede: make thou our sad divisions soon to cease;
draw us the nearer each to each, we plead, by drawing all to thee, O Prince of Peace.
Thus may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.

So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease, may we be one with all thy church above,
one with thy saints in one unbroken peace, one with thy saints in one unbounded love;
more blessed still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity in Unity.

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us, nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

Prayer after Communion

Priest: Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us
that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

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

Priest: The peace of God that surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son, Jesus Christ, and the
blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you all, today and
always.

All: **Amen.**

Announcements

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Closing Hymn: #525 – “THE CHURCH’S ONE FOUNDATION” (v 1,2, 5)

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are his new creation by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought us to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought us, and for our life he died.

Elect from every nation yet one o'er all the earth,
our charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one glorious name we hallow, partake one holy food,
and to one hope we follow, with every grace endued.

Yet we on earth have union with God the Three-in-One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

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

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