



## The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 6, 2021 at 10.30 am

### Welcome

### Greeting

Minister The ruler of this world shall now be cast out; and when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself. (*John 12.31, 32*)

Hymn **O Spirit of the Living God**

### Confession and Absolution

Minister Let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Minister Most merciful God,

**All We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken your holy laws, We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done; therefore, there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy on us**

**pitiful offenders. Spare us, O God, when we confess our faults. Restore us who are penitent, according to the promises that you made to humanity in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may from this day forward live a godly, righteous, and modest life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

Minister Almighty Father, who of your great love to humanity did give your dearly beloved Son to die for us; Grant that through his Cross our sins may be put away, and remembered no more against us, and that, cleansed by his Blood, and mindful of his sufferings, we may take up our cross daily, and follow him in newness of life, until we come to his everlasting kingdom; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Minister O God, you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Psalm: #138**

<sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

**<sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your love and faithfulness;**

<sup>3</sup> For you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

**<sup>4</sup> When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.**

<sup>5</sup> All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

**<sup>6</sup> They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.**

<sup>7</sup> Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; he perceives the haughty from afar.

**<sup>8</sup> Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.**

<sup>9</sup> The Lord will make good his purpose for me; O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**The Reading: Galatians 3.23-29**

Reader: A reading from the Letter to the Galatians.

<sup>23</sup> Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, <sup>26</sup> for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. <sup>27</sup> As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn: Jubilate**

**The Reading: Mark 3.20-35**

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

<sup>20</sup> The crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. <sup>21</sup> When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' <sup>22</sup> And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.' <sup>23</sup> And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup> And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup> And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup> But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup> 'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin' — <sup>30</sup> for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

<sup>31</sup> Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup> A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.' <sup>33</sup> And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' <sup>34</sup> And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup> Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

The Rev'd Mark Regis

## Reflection

### Apostles' Creed

**All** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn

**Offertory** Merciful God and Father, in Adam's fall we were born to death; in the new Adam we are reborn to life. In all we offer you this day may we share a taste of your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## The Prayers

Minister The Lord be with you.

**All** **And also with you.**

Minister Let us pray.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**All** **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister Lord, have mercy upon us.

**All** **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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

Minister O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

**All** **And grant us your salvation.**

Minister O Lord, save the Queen;

**All** **And mercifully hear us when we call to you.**

Minister Provide your Ministers with righteousness;  
**All And make your chosen people joyful.**

Minister O Lord, save your people;  
**All And bless your inheritance.**

Minister Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
**All And evermore mightily defend us.**

Minister O God, make clean our hearts within us;  
**All And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

Minister God who came into the world as a child, we bring before you in deep grief the children who suffered abuse and death at any Indigenous residential school, especially today remembering the tragic loss of those who attended the school in Kamloops. Continue to hold them closely in the safety, comfort and everlasting Love which you desire for all Creation. Hear again our cries of sorrow and lament for our participation in a system that allowed these deaths to happen. Forgive us. Holy Spirit, in the unimaginable pain of this loss, when all words fail, hear and hold our “groans too deep for words” as we see and honour the anguish of families left without the life, love and laughter each child represents. Be present with us in the myriad of emotions that the release of these names may bring – sadness, anger, relief, confusion, fear. Guard also the hearts and minds of survivors as they are faced again with memories of their own trauma and suffering.

Jesus, who showed us how Love is meant to live in the world, call us again out of denial and into truth, out of despair and into hope. Spur us to action in the places where systems of injustice prevail. Provoke us to speak out against racism, discrimination, climate injustice and all that stands between us and the good, just, beautiful life you designed for us. Be our strength when we are weak, our courage when we are afraid, our shining light in dark valleys.

Hear our prayer, God of all, in the name of your Son the Reconciler of all things,  
**Amen**

Leader God of unchangeable power and eternal light, we lift up those who continue to be greatly affected by the Coronavirus pandemic here at home, and especially in India and Brazil. We pray for support for those in need, comfort for the bereaved and wisdom for leaders to make the right decisions and to have access to the right resources in a timely way. **Amen.**

O God, our Heavenly Father, You have blessed St. Mary & St. Martha abundantly and have charged us with the stewardship of your land and property. We ask you to open our eyes and be sensitive to your Spirit. Help us to have the heart and mind of Christ and teach us to be aware of the needs of the people in our diverse parish neighbourhoods. Help us to discern the way to best serve your mission for Mt Dennis, Weston, and York. Surprise and enlighten us with your Spirit so that we proclaim: "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" **Amen.**

O Christ, Master of all, give hope to the despairing and sustain the faith of the persecuted. We pray for those amongst us who are in any need and for those who have asked for our prayers: for Stella, Ed, John, Amini, Ivy, Jackie, Leila, Alicia, Carol, Leilani, Norman, Peter, Cecil, and Mother Joyce, and in a moment of silence, all those who we have on our hearts and minds... **Amen.**

Almighty God, 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 in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, 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 life everlasting. **Amen.**

**Hymn**                    **Before the Throne of God Above**

**The Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace. **Amen.**

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**In our prayers this week:**

**The Anglican Communion**

The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)

**The Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer**

**ACC** The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario: Canterbury College, Huron College, Renison College, the Anglican Studies Program at Saint Paul University, Thorneloe University, Trinity College, Wycliffe College

**ELCIC** Luther College at the University of Regina and Luther College – High School.

**Diocese of Toronto**  
The Scarborough Deanery

**Social Justice and Advocacy Committee**

The clergy and people of St John the Baptist, Oak Ridges; St John the Divine, Scarborough;  
St John the Evangelist, Peterborough and their outreach activities

**The Church of St Mary and St Martha**

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The land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show-nee), and Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nations, and the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. This territory was the subject of the Dish With One Spoon Wampum

Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. This territory is also covered by the Toronto Purchase. Today, Toronto is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land.

We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and work in this community, and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.