



St. Timothy's Anglican Church, Agincourt
Sunday, March 22nd, 2026 – 10AM
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Andrea Christensen
Deacon & Preacher: Pastor Elaine Vanderwerf

Those Assisting in our Worship Service

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PRELUDE

SERVICE SETTING: Mass of Christ our Saviour Dan Schutte

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

♪ OPENING HYMN #318 Rejoice Today with One Accord

Rejoice today with one accord,
sing out with exultation;
rejoice and praise our mighty Lord,
whose arm hath brought salvation.
His works of love proclaim
the greatness of his name;
for he is God alone,
who hath his mercy shown:
let all his saints adore him!

When in distress to him we cried
he heard our sad complaining;
O trust in him, what'er betide,
his love is all-sustaining.
Triumphant songs of praise
to him our hearts shall raise:
now every voice shall say,
"O praise our God alway";
let all his saints adore him!

THE GREETING

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

All 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.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled against him. Let us then renounce our willfulness and ask his mercy by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Lord, have mercy.

♪ **Lord, have mercy.**

You came to call sinners:

Christ, have mercy.

♪ **Christ, have mercy.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:

Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.

♪ **Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.**

♪ KYRIE

**Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Eleison.
Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Eleison.**

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever.

All Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD TO US

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37: 1-14

♪ PSALM 130

Psalm 130

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♩ = 72 G Am7 C2 Dsus G Am7

I will wait for the Lord, my whole be - ing

4 C2 Dsus D Em7 Bm7 Am7

waits for you. I will wait for the Lord, and

7 C2 G2 Dsus

in your word, I put my hope.

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SECOND READING: Romans 8: 6-11

♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Refrain

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

THE GOSPEL: John 11: 1-45

R: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. /Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

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

PRAYER OF LAMENT: WORLD WATER DAY 2026

Leader Creator and Life-giver, You water the furrows of the earth abundantly, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth,

All And we clear-cut the forests and till the edges of the fields, until the soil spills into the streams and pesticides and manure make foul the rivers.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. In every part of the earth You have set humans to tend and steward the land as a goodly heritage,

All And the First Peoples of this land are poisoned with mercury from pulp mills and cannot safely drink the water in their own homes.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. You make springs to gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills, giving drink to every creature,

All And we span those streams with pipelines that rupture and leak, oozing oil and bitumen, poisoning the fish and the birds of the air.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. You visit the earth and water it, soaking the subsoil to feed the plants and to fill our wells,

All And we sell off that water for a pittance, to be bottled in plastic and sold back to the thirsty at a profit, while the crops wither in the fields.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. You opened rocks in the desert to bring water to Your thirsty people,

All And we fracture rocks for gases that set tap water aflame.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. You gather the deeps into storehouses, channeling the fresh waters of Turtle Island into the Great Lakes,

All And we bury radioactive waste by their shores and pollute them with our industries.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. You lap the shores of the continents with the wide oceans, filled with living creatures great and small,

All And we choke them with our refuse and suffocate them with our waste.

Leader O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. Have mercy on us, forgive us, and make us new. O Source of Living Water, hear our cry, Cleanse and renew us and all creation. Amen.

Compassionate God, you gift nature with the wisdom and compassion to give life and to protect it. Glorious Creator, thank you for entrusting us with the responsibility of loving, serving and caring for your creation. You give life to us in abundance. As we see a reflection of your love in the water around us, may we never forget the promises you have made—promises of your presence, your care, and your great love for us. May we join you as you make all things new. Amen.

Written by Elin Goulden, Diocese of Toronto, 2017

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

♪ OFFERTORY HYMN #179 Tree of Life (verses 1-5, & 6f)

Tree of Life and awesome mystery,
in your death we are reborn;
though you die in all of history,
still you rise with every morn,
still you rise with every morn.

Seed that dies to rise in glory,
May we see ourselves in you;
If we learn to live your story
We may die to rise anew,
We may die to rise anew.

We remember truth once spoken,
Love passed on through act and word;
Every person lost and broken
Wears the body of our Lord,
Wears the body of our Lord.

Gentle Jesus, mighty Spirit,
Come inflame our hearts anew.
We may all your joy inherit
If we bear the cross with you,
If we bear the cross with you.

Christ, you lead and we shall follow,
stumbling though our steps may be;
one with you in joy and sorrow,
we the river, you the sea,
we the river, you the sea.

God of all our fear and sorrow,
God who lives beyond our death,
Hold us close through each tomorrow,
Love as near as every breath,
Love as near as every breath.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER # 3

Leader The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in the works of love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

♪ SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes,
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All Amen.

♪ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**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 for ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD #7

Leader We break this bread,

All Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Leader Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

**All If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold
firm, we shall reign with him.**

THE COMMUNION

Leader The gifts of God for the People of God.

All Thanks be to God.

♪ AGNUS DEI

**Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.**

Jesus calls us here to meet him as,
through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness,
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

Jesus calls us to each other,
Found in him are no divides.
Race and class and sex and language –
Such are barriers he derides.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.

Jesus calls us to his table
Rooted firm in time and space,
Where the church in earth and heaven
Finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body;
Share the love of which we sing;
Share the feast for saints and sinners
Hosted by our Lord and King.

#649 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity.

#533 Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high;
hide me, O my Savior, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none;
hangs my helpless soul on thee;
leave, ah! leave me not alone,
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenseless head
with the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in thee I find!
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name;
I am all unrighteousness:
False and full of sin I am;
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound;
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart,
rise to all eternity.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

DOXOLOGY

Leader 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

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ, keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
and bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf, ye voiceless ones,
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come,
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.

THE DISMISSAL

Response: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE