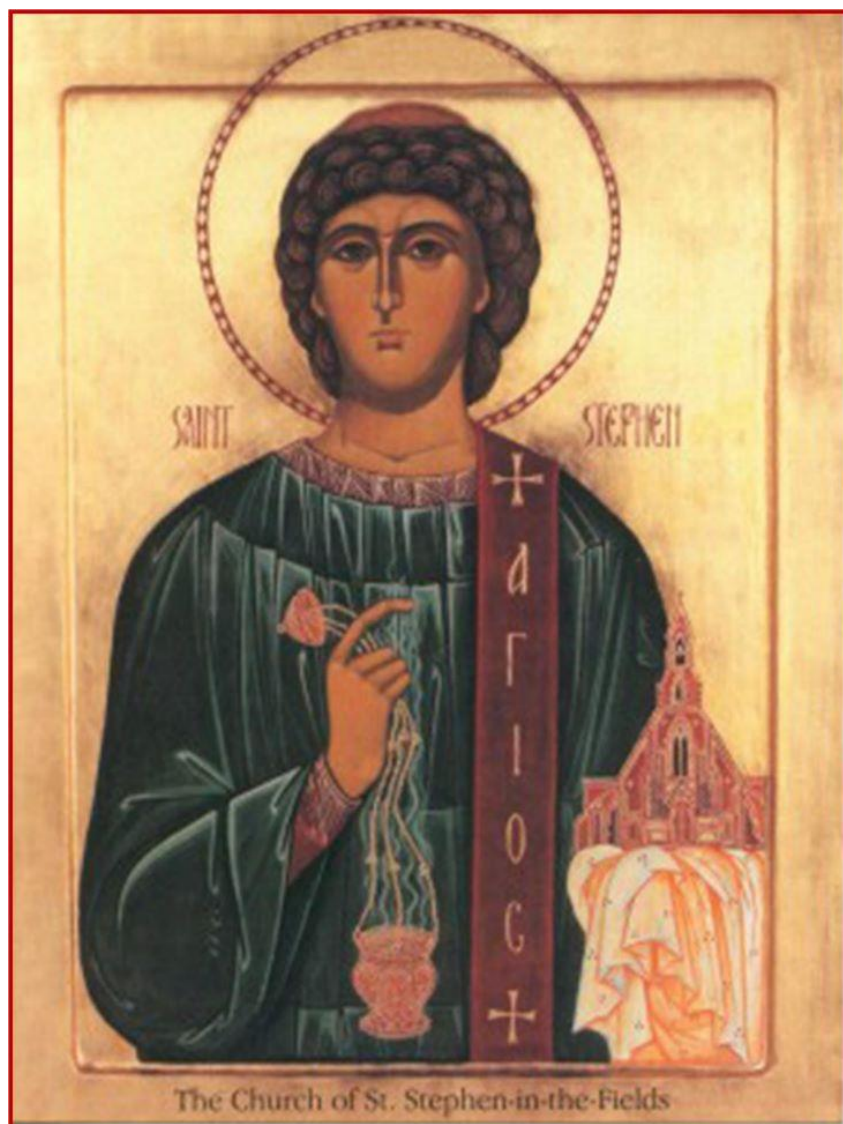


# The Church of Saint Stephen-in-the-Fields



**The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**Sunday February 13, 2022**

**Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.**  
*Luke 6.23*

**Celebrant:** The Rev'd Canon Maggie Helwig

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

### Prelude

### Greeting

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

*Response* **And also with you.**

### Land Acknowledgement

*Celebrant* Though people may be joining us from many regions, we acknowledge that the Church of St. Stephen-in-the-Fields stands on occupied land, the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit (an Anishnaabe people), the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat and Petun nations, land covered by the Dish With One Spoon wampum belt covenant. Treaty 13 and the Williams Treaty are also relevant to this territory.  
We acknowledge that we have broken the treaties. We acknowledge the damage done by colonialism, and the role that our church has played in this, and we pledge ourselves to work for a future of justice and reconciliation.

**Hymn 487:** *Where charity and love prevail*

TWENTY-FOURTH (PRIMROSE)

- 1 Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;  
brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.
- 2 With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn;  
let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in return.
- 3 Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess;  
and let us love each other well in Christian holiness.
- 4 Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;  
be his the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace.
- 5 Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son;  
as members of his body joined, we are in him made one.
- 6 Love can exclude no race or creed if honoured be God's name;  
our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.

## **Collect for Purity**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
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.

*Response* **Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Celebrant:* Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,  
welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table.  
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,  
*Response* **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.**

*Celebrant* 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.

*Response* **Amen.**

## **Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*Response* **And also with you.**

## **Gloria**

*Hurd*

*Celebrant* Glory to God in the highest,  
*Cantor* **and peace to his people on earth.**  
**Lord God, heavenly king,**  
**almighty God and Father,**  
**we worship you, we give you thanks,**  
**we praise you for your glory.**  
**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**  
**Lord God, Lamb of God,**  
**you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**  
**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**  
**receive our prayer.**  
**For you alone are the Holy One,**  
**you alone are the Lord,**  
**you alone are the Most High,**  
**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**  
**in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
Almighty and everliving God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick  
and restored them to wholeness of life,  
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,  
and by your power make whole all peoples and nations;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
*Cantor* **Amen.**

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*A period of silence is observed after each reading and the homily.*

### **First Lesson: Jeremiah 17.5-10**

*Reader* A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes,

and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*Response* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 1** *Beatus vir, qui non abiit*



*Cantor 1* HAP-PY are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wick-ed, /  
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scörn-ful!

*Cantor 2* **Their delight is in the law of the Lord, /  
and they meditate on his law dăy and^night.**

*Cantor 1* They are like trees planted by streams of wat-ěr,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wi-ther; /  
everything they do shall prös-per.

*Cantor 2* **It is not so with the wick-ed; /  
they are like chaff which the wind blöws a^way.**

*Cantor 1* Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judge-ment comes, /  
nor the sinner in the council of the righ-teous.

*Cantor 2* **For the Lord knows the way of the righ-teous, /  
but the way of the wick-ed is doomed.**

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

*Reader* A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*Response* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel acclamation: Alleluia**

**Cantor**      **Alleluia.**  
**Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.**  
**Alleluia.**

**Gospeller**    The Lord be with you.

**Response**    **And also with you.**

**Gospeller**    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

**Response**    **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Holy Gospel: Luke 6.17-26**

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: ‘Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

‘Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

‘But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

‘Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.’

**Gospeller**    The Gospel of Christ.

**Response**    **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily**      Mtr Maggie Helwig

## Nicene Creed

*Celebrant* Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
*Response* **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.**

## Intercessions

*Bidding* Blessed are those who trust in the Lord.  
*Response* **Good Physician, heal us.**

## CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**Offertory hymn 472:** *Eternal God, Lord of all space and time*

MAGDA

- 1     Eternal God, Lord of all space and time,  
      the source of truth and righteousness and grace,  
      we thank thee that thy majesty sublime  
      thou dost reveal in every human face.
- 2     We thank thee, Lord, for love's deep fount of joy,  
      for inward peace that never can be told,  
      for comradeship no changes can destroy,  
      for faith and hope that all our days enfold.
- 3     For love uniquely makes us one with thee,  
      remoulding us according to thy will,  
      enabling us in true humanity  
      the purpose of thy kingdom to fulfil.
- 4     Fixed deeper than the source of human strife,  
      may we in love a steadfast anchor find;  
      do thou, unchanging through the stress of life,  
      to thine own love our hearts forever bind.

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant*   Eternal God,  
              you are the strength of the weak  
              and the comfort of sufferers,  
              receive all we offer you this day;  
              turn our sickness into health  
              and our sorrow into joy.  
              We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

***Response*   Amen.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer 3**

*Celebrant*   The Lord be with you.

***Cantor*     And also with you.**

*Celebrant*   Lift up your hearts.

***Cantor*     We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*   Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***Cantor*     It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



## **Preface of the Lord's Day**

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
we give you thanks and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who on this first day of the week  
overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
opened to us the way of everlasting life.  
In our unending joy  
we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven  
as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

## **Sanctus and Benedictus**

*Proulx*

*Cantor* **Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* 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,

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

***Celebrant***    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.

***Response***    **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*Robinson*

*Celebrant* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

*Cantor* **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.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

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

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

## **Agnus Dei**

*Senchur*

*Cantor* **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
grant us peace.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
God of tender care,  
in this eucharist we celebrate your love  
for us and for all people.  
May we show your love in our lives  
and know its fulfilment in your presence.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*Response* **Amen.**

## **Doxology**

*Celebrant* Glory to God,

*Response* **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.**

## **Blessing**

*Celebrant* The peace of God, which passes understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all, and remain with you always.

*Response* **Amen.**

## **Hymn 439: *Blest are the pure in heart***

FRANCONIA

- 1     Blest are the pure in heart,  
      for they shall see our God;  
      the secret of the Lord is theirs,  
      their soul is Christ's abode.
- 2     The Lord, who left the heavens  
      our life and peace to bring,  
      to dwell in lowliness with us,  
      our pattern and our King,
- 3     still to the lowly soul  
      his presence doth impart,  
      and for a dwelling and a throne  
      chooseth the pure in heart.
- 4     Lord, we thy presence seek;  
      may ours this blessing be:  
      give us a pure and lowly heart,  
      a temple fit for thee.

## **Dismissal**

*Deacon* Go forth in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

*Response* **Thanks be to God.**

## Announcements

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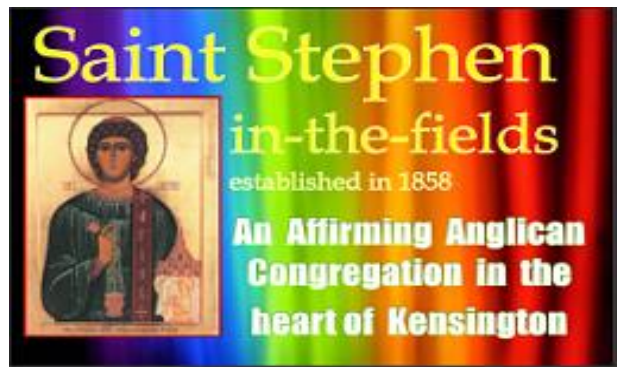
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