

The Church of Saint Stephen-in-the-Fields



**Third Sunday after Pentecost
National Indigenous Day of Prayer
June 25, 2022**

**Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening;
you have the words of eternal life.**

see 1 Samuel 3.9; John 6.68

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Maggie Helwig

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude

Greeting

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, 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 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 518: *O Christ who holds the open gate*

LLEDROD (LLANGOLLEN)

- 1 O Christ who holds the open gate,
O Christ who drives the furrows straight,
O Christ, the plough, O Christ the laughter
of holy white birds flying after;
- 2 lo, all my heart's field red and torn,
and thou wilt bring the young green corn,
the young green corn divinely springing,
the young green corn forever singing;
- 3 and when the field is fresh and fair
thy blessed feet shall glitter there,
and we will walk the weeded field,
and tell the golden harvest's yield,
- 4 the corn that makes the holy bread
by which our hungering souls are fed,
the holy bread, the food unpriced,
thy everlasting mercy, Christ.

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.**

Hymn 407: Many and great, O God, are your works

LACQUIPARLE

- 1 Many and great, O God, are your works,
maker of earth and sky.
Your hands have set the heavens with the stars;
your fingers spread the mountains and plains.
Lo, at your Word the waters were formed;
deep seas obey your voice.
- 2 Grant unto us communion with you,
O star-abiding one.
come unto us and dwell with us;
with you are found the gifts of life.
Bless us with life that has no end,
eternal life in you.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love fulfils the law.
May we love you with all our heart,
all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,
and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;
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: 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14

Reader A reading from the second book of Kings.

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and

rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

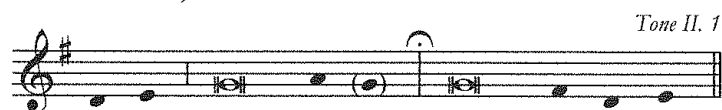
When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Reader The word of the Lord.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 77.1-2, 11-20 *Voce mea ad Dominum*



- 1 I WILL cry a-loud to God; /
 I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.
- 2 **In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; /**
 my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;
 I refused to be com^fort-ed.
- 11 I will remember the works of the Lord, /
 and call to mind your wonders of old time.
- 12 **I will meditate on all your acts /**
 and ponder your migh-ty deeds.
- 13 Your way, O God, is ho-ly; /
 who is so great a god as our God?
- 14 **You are the God who works won-ders /**
 and have declared your power among the peo-ples.
- 15 By your strength you have redeemed your peo-ple, /
 the children of Jacob and Jo-seph.
- 16 **The waters saw you, O Gōd; the waters saw you and trem-bled; /**
 the very depths were sha-ken.
- 17 The clouds poured out wa-tēr; the skies thun-dered; /
 your arrows flashed to and fro;

- 18 **The sound of your thunder was in the whirl-*wind*;
 your lightnings lit up the world; /
 the earth trem-bled and shook.**
- 19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great wa-ters, /
 yet your footsteps were not seen.
- 20 **You led your people like a flock /
 by the hand of Moses and Aa-ron.**

Epistle: Galatians 5.1, 13-25

Reader A reading from the letter to the Galatians.

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Reader The word of the Lord.

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

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia

***Cantor* Alleluia.
 Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening;
 you have the words of eternal life.
 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 9.51-62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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: A Litany for the Healing and Restoration of our Church

From the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land, 2017

<i>Leader</i>	Holy Creator, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,
<i>Response</i>	Have mercy on us.
<i>Leader</i>	Risen Christ, through whom the whole creation is reconciled to God,
<i>Response</i>	Have mercy on us.
<i>Leader</i>	Life-giving Spirit, whose love and truth fills the world and searches the depths of our lives,
<i>Response</i>	Have mercy on us.
<i>Leader</i>	Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,
<i>Response</i>	Have mercy on us.
<i>Leader</i>	From our failure to recognize and respect the revelation of your truth and love in the First Peoples of this land,
<i>Response</i>	Saviour, forgive and heal us.
<i>Leader</i>	From our participation in the systematic oppression of indigenous sovereignty, language, culture and spirituality,
<i>Response</i>	Saviour, forgive and heal us.

Leader From our role in the Indian Residential Schools
designed to eliminate the unique society, wisdom and beauty
of the indigenous peoples of this land,

***Response* Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

Leader From our complicit tolerance of the decimation
of Indigenous family structures
leaving children vulnerable to abuses of every kind,

***Response* Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

Leader From our continued acceptance of unjust legal, educational,
health and social structures that continue to oppress and destroy
the lives of many indigenous people,

***Response* Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

Leader O God, we pray for the gifts of your grace and your love
which never gives up on us and is forever faithful.
Inspire our minds with a vision of the reconciliation of your kingdom
in this time and place.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Touch our eyes, that we may see the sacredness in all creation.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth of every peoples
the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Touch our lips, that we may speak of the beauty of every tongue
and dialect proclaiming the wonderful works of God.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Touch our hearts, that we may discern your mission
in which you call us to be immersed,
particularly in partnership with the First Peoples of this land.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Touch our minds that we may witness to your Good News
in our neighbourhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Touch our hands, that we may forever shun violence
and embrace the work you give us to do.

***Response* Hear us, O Christ.**

Leader Draw your Church together, O Lord,
into one great company of disciples,
together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life,
together serving you in your mission in the world,
and together witnessing to your love on every continent
and island of your creation.
We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ in whom we are one.

Response **Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory hymn 408: *Wind upon the waters*

WIND UPON THE WATERS

- 1 Wind upon the waters, voice upon the deep,
rouse your sons and daughters, wake us from our sleep,
breathing life into all flesh, breathing love into all hearts,
living wind upon the waters of my soul.
- 2 Showers from the heavens, water from the earth,
gift so wholly given, source of every birth,
joy of every living thing, making all creation sing,
shower down upon the dry earth of my soul.
- 3 Rock and hill and garden, wood and desert sand,
prairie, field, and meadow shaped by Love's own hand,
Love that fills the world around, springing up from barren ground,
grow your love within the garden of my soul.
- 4 Blazing light of wonder, flame that pierces night,
burst the dark asunder, fill our souls with light.
Lord of glory, fill the skies, make an end to hatred's cries,
be the blazing sun of justice in our lives.
- 5 Wind upon the waters, rains upon the sand,
grace your sons and daughters, newborn by your hand.
Come, O Spirit, and renew all the life that comes from you,
send your winds upon the waters of my soul.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of wisdom,
receive all we offer you this day.
Enrich our lives with the gifts of your Spirit,
that we may follow the way of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and serve one another in freedom.
We ask this in his name.

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,
you are the source of light and life for all your creation,
you made us in your own image,
and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Therefore we praise you,
as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus and Benedictus

Cabena

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

Response **So may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom.**

Agnus Dei

Cabena

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 power,
we are nourished by the riches of your grace.
Raise us to new life in your Son Jesus Christ
and fit us for his eternal kingdom,
that all the world may call him Lord.
We ask this in his name.

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 575: *Let streams of living justice*

THAXTED

- 1 Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth;
give freedom's light to captives, let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading, the workers claim their rights,
the mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.
Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power,
abolish ancient vengeance: proclaim your people's hour.
- 2 The dreaded disappearance of family and friend;
the torture and the silence: the fear that knows no end;
the mother with her candle, the child who holds a gun,
the old one nursing hatred; all seek release to come.
Each candle burns for freedom; each lights a tyrant's fall;
each flower placed for martyrs gives tongue to silenced call.

- 3 For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,
for love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together; knit our lives as they are spun;
on your loom or time enroll us till our thread of life is run.
O great Weaver of our fabric, bind Church and world in one;
dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.
- 4 Your city's built to music; we are the stones you seek;
your harmony is language; we are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service, our hope in other's dreams,
our love in hand of neighbour; our homeland brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice; your way, the path untried;
your truth, the heart of stranger; your life the Crucified.

Dismissal

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

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

Announcements

Postlude

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