

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



**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 9, 2022**

**The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord;  
you have the words of eternal life.**

*John 6.63, 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 604:** *Your word, O God, a living sword*

KINGSFOLD (CP 508)

- 1 Your word, O God, a living sword, reveals within each heart  
the love of self, the hidden fears, that keep us far apart;  
we seek to stand by our own strength but fail and fall alone,  
and still we find ourselves afraid to know as we are known.
- 2 Your word, O God, a living sword, cuts deep, and there it finds  
the wall we build in self-defence that blocks our sight and blinds;  
we cannot see our neighbours' needs above the walls and bars  
that we have made to save ourselves, and they cannot see ours.
- 3 Your word, O God, a living sword, strikes deep within each soul  
and opens up the path by which you come to make us whole;  
and with your love set deep within we need not stand alone,  
for love drives out our faithless fears and makes your people one.

## **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 God,  
                 you have made us for yourself,  
                 and our hearts are restless  
                 until they find their rest in you.  
                 May we find peace in your service,  
                 and in the world to come, see you face to face;  
                 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: Amos 7.7-17**

*Reader*        A reading from the book Amos.

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, ‘Amos, what do you see?’ And I said, ‘A plumb-line.’ Then the Lord said, ‘See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, ‘Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, “Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.” ’ And Amaziah said to Amos, ‘O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.’

*Reader*      The word of the Lord.

## Psalm 82 *Deus stetit*



- 1 GOD TAKES his stand in the council of hea-ven; /  
he gives judgement in the midst of the gods:  
2 **“How long will you judge un-just-ly, /**  
**and show favour to the wick-ed?**  
3 Save the weak and the or-phan; /  
defend the hum-ble and nee-dy;  
4 **Rescue the weak and the poor; /**  
**deliver them from the power of the wick-ed.**  
5 They do not know, neither do they under-*stānd*;  
they go about in dark-ness; /  
all the foundations of the earth are sha-ken.  
6 **Now I say to you, ‘You are gods, /**  
**and all of you children of the Most High;**  
7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mor-tals, /  
and fall like a-ny<sup>^</sup>prince.’ ”
- 8 **Arise, O God, and rule the earth, /**  
**for you shall take all na-tions for your<sup>^</sup>own.**

**Epistle:** Colossians 1.1-14

*Reader* A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

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

**Gospel acclamation: Alleluia**

*Cantor* Alleluia.

**The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord;  
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 10.25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul,

and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.’ And he said to him, ‘You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.’ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, ‘And who is my neighbour?’ Jesus replied, ‘A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, “Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.” Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?’ He said, ‘The one who showed him mercy.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise.’

*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* As announced.

*Response* As announced.

### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Offertory hymn 591:** *Our cities cry to you, O God*

**HANDS OF THE POOR**

- 1 Our cities cry to you, O God, from out their pain and strife;  
you made us for yourself alone, but we choose empty life.  
Our goals are pleasure, gold, and power; injustice stalks our earth;  
in vain we seek for rest, for joy, for sense of human worth.
- 2 Yet still you walk our streets, O Christ! We know your presence here,  
where humble Christians love and serve in godly grace and fear.  
O Word made flesh, be seen in us! May all we say and do  
affirm you God incarnate still and turn sad hearts to you!
- 3 Your people are your hands and feet to serve your world today;  
our lives, the book our cities read to help them find your way.  
O pour your sovereign Spirit out on heart and will and brain:  
inspire your church with love and power to ease our cities' pain!



- 4 O healing Saviour, Prince of Peace, salvation's source and sum,  
for you our broken cities cry— O come, Lord Jesus, come!  
With truth your royal diadem, with righteousness your rod,  
O come, Lord Jesus, bring to earth the city of our God!

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* Father,  
your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom.  
Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace;  
for the sake 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,  
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*    "I am the bread which has come down from heaven,"**  
**says the Lord.**

***Response*    Give us this bread for ever.**

***Celebrant*    "I am the vine, you are the branches."**

***Response*    May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

## **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.  
Living God,  
in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom.  
May we who taste this mystery  
forever serve you in faith, hope, and love.  
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 453:** *Living Lord of Love's dominion*

PLEADING SAVIOUR

- 1 Living Lord of Love's dominion,  
sovereign Saviour, bless your church;  
call us still as your disciples—  
loving, serving, while we search.  
Gathered: feed our deepest being  
prophet's truth and godly nerve;  
scattered: let our lives' fruition  
nourish other while we serve.
- 2 Visit towns and inner cities;  
penetrate our steel and stone  
with a love that melts our coldness,  
making mission here our own.  
We will seek you, love transfigured,  
in our neighbour's need until  
deep within our daily service  
love draws forth our utmost skill.
- <sup>1</sup>  
3 With your bread, your wine, your Spirit,  
nurture us for your intent;  
let your will be our vocation  
lived as song and sacrament.  
May compassion lead to service  
till we join the saints above;  
grant us hope for each tomorrow;  
fill our faith with vibrant love!

**Dismissal**

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

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

**Announcements**

**Postlude**

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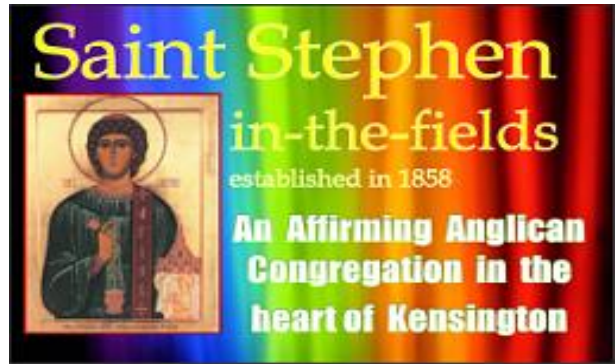
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