

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



**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
**November 12, 2022**

**SUNG MASS ON ZOOM AT 7 PM**

**Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.**  
*Luke 21.28*

**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 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 582: *Weary of all trumpeting*

ST. KEVIN

- 1     Weary of all trumpeting, weary of all killing,  
      weary of all songs that sing promise, nonfulfilling,  
      we would raise, O Christ, one song; we would join in singing  
      that great music pure and strong, wherewith heaven is ringing.
- 2     Captain Christ, O lowly Lord, servant King, your dying  
      bade us sheathe the foolish sword, bade us cease denying.  
      Trumpet with your Spirit's breath through each height and hollow;  
      into your self-giving death call us all to follow.
- 3     To the triumph of your cross summon all the living;  
      summon us to love by loss, gaining all by giving;  
      suffering all, that we may see triumph in surrender;  
      leaving all, that we may be partners in your splendour.

## **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 sent your Son Jesus Christ  
                  to be the light of the world.  
                  Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us,  
                  and bring us to eternal light and joy;  
                  through the power of him  
                  who is alive 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: Isaiah 65.17-25**

*Reader*        A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant

that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.

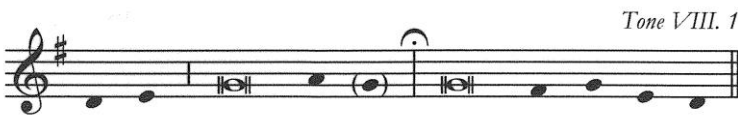
Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

*Reader*        The word of the Lord.

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

### **Canticle 3:** Isaiah 12.2-6 *Song of Thanksgiving*



- 2     SURE-LY, it is God who saves me; /  
      I will trust in him and not be a<sup>^</sup>-fraid.
- 3     **For the Lord is my stronghold**  
         **and my sure de-fence, /**  
      **and he will be my Sa-viour.**
- 4     Therefore you shall draw water with re-joic-ing /  
      from the springs of sal-va-tion.
- 5     **And on that day you shall say: /**  
      **Give thanks to the Lord and call on his name;**
- 6     make known his deeds among the na-tions; /  
      proclaim that his name is ex-alt-ed.

### **Second Lesson:** 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13

*Reader*        A reading from the second letter to the Thessalonians.

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but

in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

*Reader*        The word of the Lord.

***Response*     Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel acclamation: Alleluia**

*Murray / Black*

***Cantor*       Alleluia. Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. 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 21.5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, ‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.’

They asked him, ‘Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?’ And he said, ‘Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and, “The time is near!” Do not go after them.

‘When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.’ Then he said to them, ‘Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

‘But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

*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 112:** *Behold the mountain of the Lord* BISHOPTHORPE

- 1 Behold! The mountain of the Lord in latter days shall rise  
on mountaintops above the hills, and draw the wondering eyes.
- 2 The beam that shines from Zion hill shall lighten every land;  
the king who reigns in Salem's towers shall all the world command.
- 3 Among the nations he shall judge, with judgements true shall guide;  
his sceptre shall protect the just, and quell the sinner's pride.
- 4 No strife shall rage, nor hostile feuds disturb those peaceful years;  
to ploughshares all shall beat their swords, to pruning-hooks their spears.
- 5 No longer hosts encountering hosts shall crowds of slain deplore;  
they hang the trumpet in the hall, and study war no more.
- 6 Come then, O come from every land to worship at God's shrine;  
and, walking in the radiant light, with holy beauties shine.

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Celebrant* Holy God,  
in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant.  
Help us, through our offering this day,  
to renounce all things that draw us from your love.  
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our 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**

*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* "I am the bread of life", says the Lord.  
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
whoever believes in me will never thirst."  
*Response* **Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!**

## **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.**

## **Act of Spiritual Communion**

In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church,  
where the Holy Eucharist is celebrated,  
I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving.  
I present to you my soul and body  
with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you.  
And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul.  
Let nothing ever separate you from me.  
May I live and die in your love.  
Amen.

## **Prayer after Communion**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.  
Gracious God,  
in this sacrament  
we have shared the body and blood of Christ.  
May we who have been nourished by holy things  
bear witness to his light,  
and share in his eternal priesthood;  
for he is Lord for ever and ever.

*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 350: *Stand up and bless the Lord***

ST. THOMAS

- 1 Stand up and bless the Lord,  
you people of God's choice;  
stand up and bless the Lord of hosts  
with heart and soul and voice.
- 2 Though high above all praise,  
above all blessing high,  
who would not fear God's holy name  
and laud and magnify?

- 3     O for the living flame  
      from God's own altar brought,  
      to touch our lips, our minds inspire,  
      and wing to heaven our thought.
- 4     God is our strength and song,  
      who makes salvation ours;  
      then be God's love in Christ proclaimed  
      with all our ransomed powers.
- 5     Stand up and bless the Lord;  
      the Lord your God adore;  
      stand up and bless the glorious name  
      henceforth for evermore.

### **Dismissal**

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

***Response*   Thanks be to God.**

### **Announcements**

### **Postlude**

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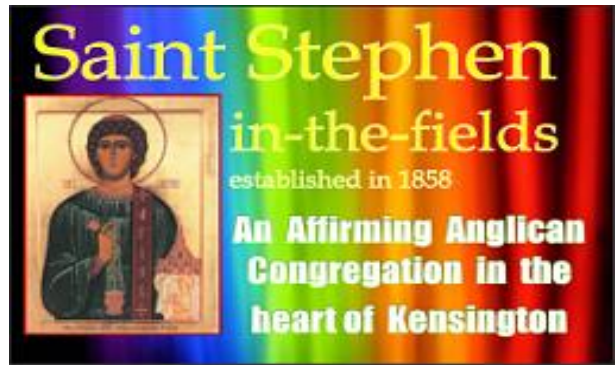
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