



**St. Timothy's Anglican Church, Agincourt**  
**Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 10AM**  
**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
**CELEBRATION OF EMANCIPATION SUNDAY**  
**Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Leigh Kern**  
**Deacon: Pastor Elaine Vanderwerf**

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**Those Assisting in our Worship Service**

**Readers:** Sheila Martin/Raymond Cheong    **Intercessor:** Raymond Cheong  
**Sub Deacon:** Anne Baillargeon    **PowerPoint Operator:** Preethi Vinukonda  
**Music:** Raymond Cheong & Ann-Marie Barrett-Tandy & the Contemporary Choir

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PRELUDE

SERVICE SETTING            Mass of Communion            *Matt Maher, Tam Le, Ike Ndolo*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION OF EMANCIPATION SUNDAY

♪ OPENING HYMN            #397 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Praise the one who break the darkness  
with a liberating light.

Praise the one who frees the prisoners,  
turning blindness into sight.

Praise the one who preached the gospel,  
healing every dread disease,  
calming storms and feeding thousands  
with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children  
with a strong yet gentle word.

Praise the one who drove out demons  
with a piercing two-edged sword.

Praise the one who brings cool water  
to the desert's burning sand.

From this well comes living water  
quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate:  
Christ who suffered in our place.  
Jesus died and rose for many

that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness,  
seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory;  
praise the One who makes us one.

### **The Gathering of the Community**

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader We gather to remember,  
**All To remember the chains broken, the lives lost, and the strength found.**

Leader We gather to honor freedom—God’s sacred gift to all.  
**All Freedom hard-won, still pursued.**

Leader Come, let us worship the God of justice,  
**All Who hears the cries of the oppressed and leads us into liberation.**

#### ♪ GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest  
And on earth peace to people of good will  
We praise You we bless You  
We adore You we glorify You  
We give You thanks for Your great glory  
Lord God heavenly King  
O God almighty Father  
Lord Jesus Christ  
Only Begotten Son  
Lord God Lamb of God  
Son of the Father  
You take away the sins of the world  
Have mercy on us  
You take away the sins of the world  
Receive our prayer  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father  
Have mercy on us  
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 amen amen amen**  
**Amen amen amen**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**COLLECT FOR EMANCIPATION DAY**

Gracious God, as we celebrate Emancipation Day, we remember the pain of slavery and the power of freedom. We give thanks for the courage of those who fought for liberation and the faith of those who endured. May we be inspired to work for justice wherever chains still bind. Let this worship stir us to holy action. In Christ's name, Amen. **Amen.**

**HEARING GOD'S WORD TO US**

FIRST READING: Exodus 3:7-10

♪ PSALM 85

Psalm 85

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♩ = 85

C#m7 E Asus2 E C#m7 Bsus

Re - vive us a-gain, re-store us a-gain, show us your un-fail-ing  
(Re) - vive us a-gain, re-store us and then we will re-joice in your

1. 2.

Asus2 E Asus2 E C#m7 Bsus Asus2 E

love; Re love, we will re-joice in you.

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SECOND READING: Galatians 3:23-29

♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia  
Allelu, alleluia  
Alleluia, alleluia  
Allelu, allelu, alleluia**

THE GOSPEL: Luke 4:16-22

**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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor "Hear us, O God."

**All "As we Accept the call to be bearers of peace."**

Intercessor That those entrusted with authority in our nation may serve the common good and lead in a way that promotes healing in an authentic, responsible, and peaceful manner, . . . Hear us, O God,

**All As we accept the call to be bearers of peace.**

Intercessor That the fullness of justice and compassion may be extended to the victims and families who have been subjected to violence, abuse, discrimination, murder, or the threat of the same, Hear us, O God,

**All As we accept the call to be bearers of peace.**

Intercessor That our communities and our schools may find ways to actively participate in efforts to eliminate violence, especially violence against Black and Brown people, so that this country may take the lead in fostering conditions for healing racial division, Hear us, O God,

**All As we accept the call to be bearers of peace.**

Intercessor That all who gather to mark this day of Emancipation be able to freely and peaceably, remember, reflect, and celebrate together, Hear us, O God,

**All As we accept the call to be bearers of peace.**

Intercessor That we may be courageous in living out the Gospel, Hear us, O God,

**All As we accept the call to be bearers of peace.**

Intercessor We pray, O Lord, for change. Jesus, you revealed God through your wise words and loving deeds, and we encounter you still today in the faces of those whom society has pushed to the margins. Guide us, through the love you revealed, to establish the justice you proclaimed, that all peoples might dwell in harmony and peace, united by that one love that binds us to each other, and to you. And most of all, Lord, change our routine worship and work into genuine encounter with you so that our lives will be changed for the good of all.

**All Amen.**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader Dear Friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

Leader Most merciful God,  
**All We confess the ways we have been silent in the face of injustice. We lament the systems that still deny dignity and opportunity. We grieve the lives lost to racism, the dreams deferred, the wounds unhealed. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Empower us to be repairers of the breach, bearers of hope. Amen.**

Leader 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.

**All Amen.**

## 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                      The Goodness Of God

#### **Verse 1**

I love You Lord  
Oh Your mercy never fails me  
All my days  
I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up  
Until I lay my head  
I will sing of the goodness of God

## **Chorus**

All my life You have been faithful  
All my life You have been so so good  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God

## **Verse 2**

I love Your voice  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night  
You are close like no other  
I've known You as a father  
I've known You as a friend  
I have lived in the goodness of God

## **Bridge**

Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me  
With my life laid down  
I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything  
Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me

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## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our 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; 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, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of our name.

♪ SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.  
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. 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,

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

Leader 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      The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)  
Father let your kingdom come  
Father let your will be done  
On Earth as in Heaven  
Right here in my heart

Give us this day our daily bread  
Forgive us forgive us  
As we forgive the ones who sinned  
Against us forgive them  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from the evil one  
Let your kingdom come

It's yours, it's yours  
All yours, all yours  
The kingdom the power  
The glory are yours  
It's yours, it's yours  
All yours, all yours  
Forever and ever  
The kingdom is yours

Father let your kingdom come  
Father let your will be done  
On Earth as in Heaven  
Right here in my heart

On Earth as in Heaven  
Right here in my heart

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD #3

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

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

### 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, Miserere nobis**

**Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world, Miserere nobis**

**Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world,**

**Dona nobis pacem**

**Dona nobis pacem.**

### ♪ COMMUNION HYMN

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

*African American Spiritual*

Refrain:

Swing low, sweet chariot,  
Coming for to carry me home.

Swing low, sweet chariot,  
Coming for to carry me home.

I looked over Jordan, and what did I see

Coming for to carry me home?

A band of angels coming after me.

Coming for to carry me home.

[Refrain]

If you get there before I do,

Coming for to carry me home,

Tell all my friends I'm coming too,

Coming for to carry me home.

[Refrain]

The brightest day that ever I saw,

Coming for to carry me home,

When Jesus washed my sins away,

Coming for to carry me home.

[Refrain]

I'm sometimes up and sometimes down,  
Coming for to carry me home,  
But still my soul feels heavenly bound,  
Coming for to carry me home.

[Refrain]

Wade in the Water

*African American Spiritual*

Wade in the water,  
Wade in the water, children,  
Wade in the water  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

See that host all dressed in white  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.  
The leader looks like the Israelite.  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

See that band all dressed in red,  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.  
Looks like the band that Moses led.  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

Look over yonder, what do I see? well  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.  
Holy Ghost a-coming on me.  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

If you don't believe I've been redeemed,  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.  
Just follow me down to Jordan's stream.  
God's a-goin'-a trouble the water.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer 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

Go now in the power of the One who liberates. Walk in the footsteps of the saints who struggled for freedom. Love boldly, speak truth, and act justly. And may Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit guide you from chains to change. **Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

♪ CLOSING HYMN

#606 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

There's a wideness in God's mercy  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in his justice  
Which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heav'n;  
There is no place where earth's failings  
Have such kindly judgement giv'n.

There is plentiful redemption  
In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy, for all the members  
In the sorrows of the Head.

Foolish hearts, why will you scatter  
Like a crowd of frightened sheep?  
Fainting souls, who will you wander  
From a love so true and deep?

For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of our mind,  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.

## THE DISMISSAL

Leader      Go forth in faith. Make no peace with oppression. Love and  
                 serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**All            Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE