



St. Timothy's Anglican Church, Agincourt

Sunday, September 6th, 2026 – 10AM

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Season of Creation

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Canon Andrea Christensen

Deacon: Pastor Elaine Vanderwerf

Those Assisting in our Worship Service

Readers: Patrick Allen/Rev. Kathy Buligan **Intercessor:** Rev. Kathy Buligan

Sub Deacon: Octavia Leacock **PowerPoint Operator:** Susan Thomas

Tech: Ben Conn

Music: Marianne Gast & Taline Yeremian

PRELUDE

SERVICE SETTING: Mass of Christ our Saviour

Dan Schutte

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

♪ OPENING HYMN #309 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet,
praise the Lord with the harp and lute,
praise the Lord with the gentle- sounding flute.

Praise the Lord in the field and forest,
praise the Lord in the city square,
praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine,
praise the Lord in the dark of night,
praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.

Praise the Lord in the deepest valley,
praise the Lord on the highest hill,
praise the Lord, never let your voice be still.

Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal,
praise the Lord with the pipe and string,
praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.

Praise the Lord on a weekday morning,
praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,
praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow,
praise the Lord in the time of joy,
praise the Lord every moment, nothing let your praise destroy.
Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet,
praise the Lord in your work or play,
praise the Lord everywhere in every way.

THE GREETING

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

All And also with you.

Leader Almighty God,

All 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. Amen.

♪ GLORIA

**Glory, in the highest glory, Peace to all, in all their days.
Worship, thanks and praise unceasing to the Source of all we raise:
Reigning in the sapphire height, hidden from our mortal sight,
Now receive our adoration, as we make our supplication.**

**Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Lamb of God, for sinners given,
Word Eternal, born of Mary, Word made Flesh, the Face of Heaven:
Holy one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,
With the Spirit there united, And the Godhead high exalted.**

COLLECT

Source of all life, you speak the word and the wilderness blooms, water breaks forth in the desert, and the deaf hear your voice. Open our ears to the cries of your creation, and loose our tongues to sing your praise, that with all your creatures we may proclaim the hope of your redeeming love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hearing God's Word to Us

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 47: 1-12

PSALM 149

Reader Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

All Let Israel rejoice in his maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.

Reader Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

All For the Lord takes pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with victory.

Reader Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them be joyful on their beds.

All Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand;

Reader To wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples;

All To bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron"

Reader To inflict on them the judgement decreed; this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

Reader Let us pray: **Accept our praise, God of justice, defender of the oppressed. Give us grace to join in this your holy work, that all the world may see your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SECOND READING: Romans 13: 8-14

♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, praise to God.
Alleluia, praise to God.
Praises, high praises,
We bring you, O God.
Alleluia, praise to God.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 18: 15-20

R: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. / Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

SOLO

Declaring Glory

*By Paul Zach et. al.
Sung By Taline Yeremian*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Leader Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor: *In hope, let us pray to the Creator of all things, saying, "Lord,
hear our prayer."*

We pray for the earth, our fragile home: for the oceans, fields,
and forests, that they may be restored to health and balance.
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for all living creatures: for the birds of the air, the
animals of the land, and the fish of the sea, that their habitats
may be protected from destruction.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for world leaders and local communities: that they may act with wisdom and urgency to address environmental injustice and climate change, guided by a spirit of global stewardship.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray for the poor, the displaced, and those most vulnerable to environmental degradation, that they may find relief, equity, and a share in the earth's abundance.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Almighty God, you have bound us together with all living things in a wonderful web of life. Hear our prayers this day, and give us grace to walk softly upon your earth in hope and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Leader: We have wounded the earth by our human greed and neglect, yet God offers grace and renewal to those who repent. Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

Silence is kept.

All Almighty God, Creator of all, we confess that we have sinned against you. We have failed to care for your world. We have wasted its resources, polluted its waters, and ignored the cries of the earth and the poor. Forgive us, we pray. Renew our hearts, inspire our hands, and guide our steps to walk in the way of justice and hope; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND BLESSING for Baby Anaya Susan Paul

Leader: Dear friends, the birth of a child is a time of joy and wonder. It is also an occasion for rejoicing in the Christian community. A new life has been given into our care, and we gather today to thank God, the Giver of all life, and to surround this family with our love and prayers.

Scripture tells us that children are a heritage from the Lord, and a gift to be cherished. Let us praise God for the safe arrival of this child. A child who has been longed for and loved before even being conceived.

Leader: Praise the Lord, for he is good.

People: His mercy endures forever.

Leader: Let us pray. God our Creator, we thank you for the wonder of new life and for the joy that Anaya has brought to this family. We thank you for the strength given in childbirth, for the safety of mother and child, and for the love that now surrounds them. Receive our praise and gratitude today, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Canon Andrea addresses Soniya & Paul

Soniya & Paul, you have received this child as a trust from God. Will you love, protect, and care for Anaya, guiding her with wisdom, patience, and grace?

Parents: We will, with the help of God.

Canon Andrea addresses the congregation.

And now to the members of this congregation, will you support this family with your friendship, surround and nourish them with your prayers, and help create a community where Anaya may grow in faith and love?

People: We will, with the help of God.

Canon Andrea gently lays a hand on the child's head (or holds the child).

Anaya, may the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

May God the Father, who created you, guard your steps.

May God the Son, who loves you, fill your heart with joy.

May God the Holy Spirit, who breathes life into you, give you wisdom all your days.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you now and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

Leader: Heavenly Father, pour out your blessing upon Soniya & Paul. Give them wisdom, tenderness, and strength as they raise Anaya. Let their home be a place of laughter, peace, and safety. Bring us all at last to your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O eternal God, you have promised to be a father to a thousand generations of those who love and fear you: Bless this child and preserve her life; receive her and enable her to receive you, that through the upcoming Sacrament of Baptism, she may become the child of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Creator be always with you.

All And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

♪ OFFERTORY #645 Come Down, O Love Divine

Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. May the bread and wine we bring before you be signs of your goodness, and may we who share them be renewed to serve your creation in hope. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 Holy God, Creator of the universe, it is right and a good thing to give you thanks and praise. You brought forth light out of darkness and formed the earth in beauty.

Your handiwork is seen in the vastness of space and the smallest seed. In Jesus Christ, your Word became flesh, living among us, sharing our earthly life, and redeeming all creation.

Through his resurrection, you have given us the certain hope of a new heaven and a new earth, where justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Therefore, with all creation, with the wind and the waves, the stars and the soil, and with all the company of heaven, we join in the unending hymn of your glory:

♪ SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes,
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader 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

Leader As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Leader We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

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,
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
Grant us peace.**

♪ COMMUNION HYMN #56 I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life

I am the bread, the bread of Life;
who comes to me will never hunger.
I am the bread, the bread of heaven;
who feeds on me will never die.

And as you eat, remember me -
my body broken on the tree:
my life was given to set you free,
and I'm alive for evermore.

I am the vine, the living vine;
apart from me you can do nothing.
I am the vine, the real vine:
abide in me and I in you.

And as you drink, remember me -
my blood was shed upon the tree:
my life was given to set you free,
and I'm alive for evermore.

So eat this bread and drink this wine,
and as you do, receive this life of mine.
All that I am, I give to you,
that you may live for evermore.

#214 The Lamb's High Banquet

The Lamb's high banquet called to share,
arrayed in garments white and fair,
the Red Sea past, we long to sing
to Jesus our triumphant king.

Upon the altar of the cross,
his body hath redeemed our loss;
and, tasting of his precious blood,
our life is hid with him in God.

Protected in the paschal night
from the destroying angel's might,
in triumph went the ransomed free
from Pharaoh's cruel tyranny.

Now Christ our passover is slain,
the Lamb of God without a stain;
his flesh, the true unleavened bread,
is freely offered in our stead.

O all-sufficient Sacrifice,
beneath thee hell defeated lies;
thy captive people are set free,
and endless life restored in thee.

We hymn thee rising from the grave,
from death returning, strong to save;
thine own right hand the tyrant chains,
and paradise for us regains.

All praise be thine, O risen Lord,
from death to endless life restored;
all praise to God the Father be
and Holy Ghost eternally.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Father of all, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to be your hands and feet in this world. Give us courage to protect your earth, bring hope to your creatures, and live as faithful stewards of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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

Leader May God the Creator, who clothed the lilies of the field and feeds the birds of the air, bless you with an abundant heart. May Christ the Redeemer, the firstborn of all creation, fill you with living hope. May the Holy Spirit, the breath of life moving over the waters, renew you to care for the earth. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

♪ CLOSING HYMN

#362 Tell Out, My Soul

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name -- the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and forevermore!

DISMISSAL

Leader Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit to care for all creation.

All Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE