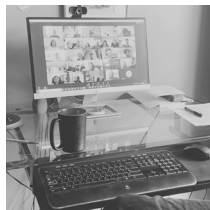


LITTLE TRINITY

SINCE 1842



GROW TOGETHER
LOVE OUR WORLD
GOD SERVE



Sunday, Jan 2, 2022

BAS Communion Service

9:00am In-Person

10:45am In-Person & Livestream

Welcome to Little T!

A Liturgical Style of Worship

This booklet will hopefully help make you feel more comfortable, especially if this is new to you.

Liturgical worship simply means we follow a particular order of service that is grounded in liturgy or "the work of the people". We use a liturgical form of service for our gatherings because we are not putting on a show for people to watch. Rather, the liturgy walks us through the wonderful story of Jesus Christ in a sequence that brings home the good news of God's grace to us. Each week we are brought back to the strange and amazing story of God with us. Today, our service is from the Book of Alternative Services (BAS) developed in 1985.

If this is new to you please join in only when you are comfortable. You'll get the hang of it after a few goes. Look out for **STAND** and **SIT** and **SIT/KNEEL** (whichever is your preference) instructions or just follow what your neighbour is doing (assuming they have been here before). In general, we stand to praise, sit to learn and sit/kneel to pray. **Bold** print directs you to join in unison.

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YOUTH

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WELCOME

MUSICAL WORSHIP

STAND

OPENING PRAYERS

SIT/KNEEL

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

And also with you.

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. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

SIT/KNEEL

**O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more
wonderfully restored, the dignity of human
nature: Grant that we may share the divine life
of him who humbled himself to share our
humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and
reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Welcome One Another

Why do we do this?
"Welcome one another
as Christ has welcomed
you, for the glory of
God" (Romans 15:7) We
come from delightfully
diverse backgrounds yet
Christ draws us together!
Take a few moments to
welcome those around
you while we move up
and in to make space for
latecomers.

Musical Worship

Join in with our worship
team as you feel led,
sitting or standing as you
are comfortable. The
historic tradition uses
music and song to direct
ourselves towards God
in praise and to direct
our own hearts towards
God's truth.

Opening Prayers

Worshipping God must
begin with a heart pre-
pared to enter into his
presence. The Collect is
a prayer that collects the
intentions of our service;
each Sunday there is a
different collect paired
with the readings and
sermon message.

Proclamation of the Word

We take time to quiet our minds and listen to the scriptures which we honour and value as God's word to us. We accept this as a gift and offer thanks to God in response.

The Proclamation of the Word has two distinct forms and functions: hearing the Word spoken to us as we listen to God's voice through the words of the scripture, and hearing God's word broken apart that we might delve deeper into its meaning and be exhorted to not just hear the Word but to live it as well.

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 72:1-19 *SIT*

- ¹ Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the royal son!
- ² May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice!
- ³ Let the mountains bear prosperity for the
people,
and the hills, in righteousness!
- ⁴ May he defend the cause of the poor of the
people,
**give deliverance to the children of the
needy,
and crush the oppressor!**
- ⁵ May they fear you while the sun endures,
**and as long as the moon, throughout all
generations!**
- ⁶ May he be like rain that falls on the mown
grass,
like showers that water the earth!
- ⁷ In his days may the righteous flourish,
**and peace abound, till the moon be no
more!**
- ⁸ May he have dominion from sea to sea,
**and from the River to the ends of the
earth!**
- ⁹ May desert tribes bow down before him,
and his enemies lick the dust!
- ¹⁰ May the kings of Tarshish and of the
coastlands
render him tribute;
**may the kings of Sheba and Seba
bring gifts!**
- ¹¹ May all kings fall down before him,
all nations serve him!

- ¹² For he delivers the needy when they call,
the poor and the one who has no helper.
- ¹³ He has pity on the weak and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy.
- ¹⁴ From oppression and violence he redeems their
life,
and precious is their blood in his sight.
- ¹⁵ Long may he live;
may gold of Sheba be given to him!
**May prayer be made for him continually,
and blessings invoked for him all the day!**
- ¹⁶ May there be abundance of grain in the land;
on the tops of the mountains may it wave;
may its fruit be like Lebanon;
**and may people blossom in the cities
like the grass of the field!**
- ¹⁷ May his name endure forever,
his fame continue as long as the sun!
**May people be blessed in him,
all nations call him blessed!**
- ¹⁸ Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous things.
- ¹⁹ Blessed be his glorious name forever;
**may the whole earth be filled with his
glory.**

Amen and Amen!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

The Gospel is God's word that speaks to us of what God has done in Jesus Christ. The Gospel demands that we act and standing up is a way to recognize that we are ready not just to hear but live as well.

GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

STAND

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.” ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

“⁶“And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the
rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will shepherd my people
Israel.””

⁷ Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, “Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.” ⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star,

they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

STAND* for prayer, then *SIT

"Give the King Your Justice"

The Rev. Orvin Lao, Community Connections Pastor

Silent reflection

CONFESSION OF FAITH

STAND

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Sermon

As we open the Scripture, we corporately encounter Christ. As you listen, pray to be open to the Spirit's leading, exhortation, encouragement and healing.

If you miss a sermon or want to listen again or share with others, podcasts along with small group discussion questions are on our website: www.littletrinity.org and they are also available on Google Play and iTunes.

Confession of Faith

Standing together with Christians throughout the centuries and throughout the world today, we affirm our faith by saying these ancient words together. This is the Apostle's Creed where we acknowledge the historical truths of our faith, passed down throughout the ages.

Prayers of the People

The prayers of the people are the response of the community to the proclamation of the word. They are a moment when the gathered community exercises its baptismal role. Baptized into Christ, and made one in his body, we pray with Christ, who constantly prays for us and for all of creation (Hebrews 7:25). Together we pray for our church, our city and our world.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in God 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SIT/KNEEL

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

MINISTRIES OF THE WIDER CHURCH

WORLDWIDE: The Church in the Congo

DIOCESE: Christ Church, Roches Point; Christ Church, Scarborough & Christ Church, Stouffville

CLERICUS: Chaplain, Mt. Sinai Hospital

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Those living and working on Ontario Street & Berkeley Street

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OFFERTORY WORSHIP

OFFERTORY

In our offertory we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of bread and wine to the glory of God.

If you wish to financially support the ongoing gospel ministry of Little Trinity Church during this time you can find options online on our website at <http://littletrinity.org/give>.

If you wish to give in person, please deposit your offering either in the offering boxes in the Church Sanctuary.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Gracious God, all things come from you and you teach us to be generous with what we have. We pray that our gifts may be wisely used for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE DOXOLOGY

STAND

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

SIT/KNEEL

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.

The Doxology

These words, penned in 1674 by Thomas Ken, anchor us in the reality that our only proper response to God is worship and praise.

Confession & Absolution

Not forgetting our nature as fallen human beings: on one hand, we fall short of what we should do and who we should be, on the other hand, we are reminded that God is loving and merciful, we recognize that we are sinners and he reaches out to us nonetheless; we are assured that God has looked upon us with mercy and we have been forgiven of our sins. We say the confession together to illustrate we are all in need of God's mercy and forgiveness. Even if the person standing in front of you looks like they have it all together.

Most merciful God
**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 our-
 selves.
 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.**

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.

Eucharistic Prayer

Modeled after Jewish table prayers of blessing, the Eucharistic Prayer, or the Great Thanksgiving, explores and explains something of the wonder of Jesus' death for us, as Paul wrote: "as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

The prayer contains the words Jesus used during the Last Supper. As we hear these words and go forward together, we feed on him, in our hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

The table is prepared while the prayer is spoken, much as we prepare ourselves to receive the Eucharist.

COMMUNION

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

SIT/KNEEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right to thank you and praise you,
 holy and gracious God,
 creator of all things,
 ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life,
 for you are the source of all goodness,
 rich in mercy and abounding in love;

you are faithful to your people in every generation,
and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
with the fellowship of saints
and the company of heaven,
we glorify your holy name,
evermore praising you and singing,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth of your glory are full.
Hosanna hosanna hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. (repeat)**

We praise you, merciful Father,
not as we ought, but as we are able,
because in your tender love
you gave the world your only Son,
in order that the world might be saved through him.
He made you known by taking the form of a servant,
healing the sick, liberating the oppressed,
reaching out to the lost.
Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross,
he confronted the power of sin
and disarmed it for ever.
In his offering of himself,
he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.
Redeemed by Christ,
we have been adopted as your children;
by your pardon
you have made us worthy to praise you.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,
gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

Holy, holy, holy Lord...
The Sanctus (*Holy, holy, holy Lord*) names that which is sacred, holy, hallowed, consecrated and inviolable: "Lord, God of power and Might".

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."

In obedience to him and with grateful hearts
we approach your holy table,
remembering our Saviour's sacrifice,
and rejoicing in his victory.
Confident in his sovereign purpose,
we declare our faith.

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit on us
that as we receive this bread and this cup
we may partake of the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and feed on him in our hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love,
and strengthened in our will to serve others;
and make of our lives, we pray,
a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you,
knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honour and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray,

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

the Lord's Prayer is the prayer instituted by Jesus himself (Matthew 6; Luke 11). This prayer has been handed down from generation to generation, teaching us to pray.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION

All those who have placed their trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord, being baptized in any Christian denomination, are welcome to the Lord's table. Please follow the direction of the sidespeople and abide by the health and safety measures as instructed. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.

Given the cautionary direction of the Diocese of Toronto, we will only be receiving in one kind (the Bread). Receiving in one kind only has been accepted by Anglicans to be a full reception of the Sacrament.

For those who are tuning in the livestream, the Book of Common Prayer affirms that, during exceptional circumstances, we can receive the Sacrament in our hearts by faith and with thanksgiving as an act of spiritual communion. In that way, we can continue to participate in the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

**Prayers After
Communion**

God gets the last word in our service. First, he blesses us, and then he sends us out into the world, to live a life that reflects his love, mercy and truth.

We have been given the rest and nourishment we need to sustain our own lives, and we have been given the gifts we need to go out and Serve our World in the name of Jesus.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

STAND

Eternal God,
we have received a token of your promise.
May we who have been nourished by holy things
live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Glory to God,
**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

The peace of God which passes all 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 among you and remain
with you always.

Amen.

CLOSING WORSHIP

STAND

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



SERMON NOTES

NEXT SUNDAY, JAN 9, 2022

9:00am In-Person Communion Service

(with concurrent Children's Ministry (K-5) and Campaigners (Gr 6-8))

10:45am Livestream and In-Person Communion Service

(with concurrent Children's Ministry (K-5) and Campaigners (Gr 6-8))

6:30pm In-Person Communion Service

Readings: 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31; Matthew 2: 1-18

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