



A Welcoming Christ-Centered Community

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We are glad that you are here and hope that you will be enriched by this time of worship. In this unprecedented time, we are exploring worship in new ways and ask for your input and patience. If you are new with us today – welcome!



Welcome

Blessed are the Queer

by H.P. Rivers

Gathering Song

“God Is Here!” (ELW 526)

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Creator God, guide us to live with open hearts, open minds, and open souls to receive your Beloveds. In your Kin-dom, where the limits of creativity and diversity are endless, teach us to see, name, and care for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, as well as those who have been excluded and experienced harm because of race, ability, age, or economic status. We commit ourselves to the work ahead, looking to your example through Christ. Filled with the love of Jesus, we praise your name. **Amen.**

First Reading

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Read by Mary W

²²“This is what Sovereign Yhwh says: I myself will take a shoot from the top of a cedar and plant it. I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a lofty and high mountain. ²³I will plant it on the mountain heights of Israel. It will grow branches, bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. All kinds of birds will nest in it. They will find shelter in the shade of its branches. ²⁴All the trees of the countryside will know that I am Yhwh who stunt tall trees and make low trees grow. I dry up the green tree and I make the dry tree Flourish. I, Yhwh have spoken, and I will do it.’ ”

Second Reading

Psalms 92:1-4,12-15

Read by Amy C

¹It is good to praise you, Yhwh, and celebrate your Name in song, Most High—²to proclaim your love in the morning and your fidelity through the watches of the night, ³to the music of a ten-stringed lyre and the melody of the harp. ⁴Your deeds, Yhwh, fill me with joy; I shout in triumph over the work of your hands. ¹²The just flourish like a palm tree, and grow as tall as the cedars of Lebanon; ¹³transplanted in the house of Yhwh, they flourish in the courts of the Most High— ¹⁴still full of sap in old age, they still produce

abundant fruit, ¹⁵eager to declare that Yhwh is just— my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

Children's Time - Belynda K

Gospel Song “Praise to the Lord” (ELW 844) vs 1

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:26-34

²⁶Jesus said further, “The reign of God is like this: a sower scatters seed on the ground, ²⁷then goes to bed at night and gets up day after day. Through it all the seed sprouts and grows without the sower knowing how it happens. ²⁸The soil produces a crop by itself—first the blade, then the ear, and finally the ripe wheat in the ear. ²⁹When the crop is ready, the sower wields the sickle, for the time is ripe for harvest.” ³⁰Jesus went on to say, “What comparison can we use for the reign of God? What image will help to present it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed which people plant in the soil: it is the smallest of all the earth’s seeds, ³²yet once it is sown, it springs up to become the largest of shrubs, with branches big enough for the birds of the sky to build nests in its shade.” ³³Using many parables like these, Jesus spoke the message to them, as much as they could understand. ³⁴Everything was spoken in parables, but Jesus explained everything to the disciples later when they were alone.

Sermon

Song of the Day “Bring Forth the Kingdom” (W&P 22)

Creed

The Prayers

As people proclaimed Beloved; whole; beautifully and wonderfully made; let us pray for the church, the world and all of creation as we celebrate all God has made.

Spirit of Love, we give thanks for the ELCIC commitment to being an inclusive and affirming church reflecting and embracing the diversity of our communities and the gifts we bring. We pray that we will always be learning and reforming, discerning how to do God’s work in a diverse world, and inviting and equipping one another for this essential work. God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Rev. Trish Schermund (she, her, hers)

Associate Pastor: Rev. Lindsey Jorgensen-Skakum (they, them, theirs)

Musician: Kathy Robinson (she, her, hers)

Council President: Toby Schneider (he, him, his)

Ministers: Every Member

Video Editor/Live Streaming: Anton Chell

Compassionate One, with the whole human family, we grieve alongside our Muslim siblings who have experienced both violence, and loss in the murder of the Afzall and Salman families. We recognize and lament the harm racism and islamophobia have caused within our lives and world. Empower us to stand in solidarity with all those oppressed because of religious identity. Deepen respect, community, and love among all those who seek justice and peace. God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Creator of All, on the days where this work of justice and reconciliation feel like too much, embolden us to carry on. We pray especially that the spirit of reconciliation will encourage all who have been damaged by the legacy of residential schools. Strengthen and renew us with your Spirit for the work of reconciliation as treaty people. God, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Healer of All, we pray for the nations experiencing repeated waves of COVID-19 infection and communities impacted and struggling. We uplift health care workers, first responders, medical lab technicians, and those working to vaccinate and care for those in need. Today we especially pray for Clarence M, Tom d, Cody M, Ramon J, Tonia & Jason, Susan K, Tim, Charlotte, Diana M, Pr. Richard R, Darren F, Diane R, Elijah P, William, Daryl A, Eva H, Joanne & Bill and family, Diana & Kirsten and family, the Bradford family as they mourn the loss of Sam, and those on our hearts. Reveal your power to heal and to save. God in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

God of Love, we thank you for the saints who were trailblazers, moving and shaking people's hearts and minds. Stir up in us that same energy of those who helped affirm LGBTQ2SIA+ peoples. May we never stop expanding the borders of love and acceptance for those the world often places at its margins. God in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We all ask these prayers in the name of Christ our Saviour, and our friend. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We live them up to God

Let us give thanks to God

It is right to give God thanks and praise.



You revealed the fullness of your love in Jesus of Nazareth, who loved all persons in their human dignity, who forgave us for our failure to see your image in all genders, all sexualities, all colors, who suffered in solidarity with all the rejected, who inspires us now to celebrate love in all its wonderful forms, who fills us with pride and gratitude for being born this way, and for being made new in endless grace.

At your table where all were welcomed and fed Jesus shared a meal, taking bread, giving thanks, and sharing it with his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

After the meal Jesus took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all the people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

And so we ask that at this table that we would be made your body. Form us to be a people of justice and peace. Fill us with gratitude and generosity that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed.

Nourish our bodies to that we may be fed. Teach us to see You, Christ, in those around us. As we prepare this table for you, we prepare our hearts for your presence. Come, Holy Spirit.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us singing...

The Lord's Prayer - traditional sung

Communion Song "As the Grains of Wheat" (ELW 465)

Prayer after Communion

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Community Life

Blessing

Siblings in Christ, let us go out into the world in peace; love boldly; proclaim loudly; welcome, include, and celebrate our Black, Brown, Indigenous, People of Color and LGBTQIA+ siblings; and enter back into this space knowing that welcome is a priority in this church.

Stand strong against injustices of this world; and let this faith community be a place of care and renewal for as people of God we are called to action.

Beloved, go in peace this PRIDE Sunday.

Sending Song

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises" (ELW 535)

Dismissal

Work for justice, encounter God in all you see, and know you are LOVED!

Thanks be to God!



HSLC Sunday Zoom
#885 491 676
11:00am
#allarewelcome
#community
#prayer
#comeasyouare

Community Engagement Committee

Come join the discussion on proposing a memorial bench and/or create a low maintenance healing/meditation garden.
All are invited to the following meetings:

Monday, June 14 from 6:00 - 6:45 pm
Zoom 829 5821 0250
Passcode: 002029

Tuesday, June 22 at 7:00 pm
Zoom 875 9470 9363
Passcode: 989293



Join our **Holy Spirit** Home Team and meet others from across Canada!
Cost: \$45
Contact: Pastor Trish

EnRoute
CLAY 2021
August 20-22, 2021



#allarewelcome

JUNE 20, 2021

CELEBRATING GRADS

Send in a photo of a grad you'd love to celebrate! We'd love to support them with prayer and blessing as they step into a new day!

WE PRAY FOR YOU



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Faith & Leadership Internship Program



Yesterday's Youth

Connect on ZOOM
Wednesday, June 16
1:00 pm

Meeting ID: 860 6315 6277
Passcode: 285670

