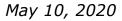
St. Philip's Lutheran Church

Freed by the grace of Christ, we seek to connect with God, neighbour, and self.

Fifth Sunday of Easter





As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his Father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As 1 Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds, we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

Prayer

Prelude

God Give us Christian Homes

arr. Cindy Barry

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Children's Message

A Special Mother's Day Video

Gospel

John 14:1-14

On the night that he is to be arrested, Jesus shares final words with his disciples. As the one through whom God is known, he promises to go before them and act on their behalf.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know

me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

For the Beauty of the Earth (Handbells Quartet)

arr. Patricia S. Cota

MEAL

Prayers

Peace

Share the peace with someone. Text or call. For those with a mother.... it's a good day to reach out!

Offering

Please give generously. Find all the details for options to give offering at stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/

Lord's Prayer

Communion



Communion Hymn

Blessed Assurance

 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior, all the day long: this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long. 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain*

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Dismissal

Postlude

For All the Faithful Women

- For all the faithful women who served in days of old, to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave. To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your pow'r to save.
- 2 O God, for saints and servants, those named and those unknown, in whom through all the ages your light of glory shone, we offer glad thanksgiving

and fervent prayer we raise that, faithful in your service, our lives may sing your praise.

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Last

All praise to God the Father! All praise to Christ the Son! All praise to God the Spirit, who binds the church as one! With saints who went before us, with saints who witness still, we sing glad alleluias and strive to do your will.



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The Rev. Tuula Van Gaasbeek, Pastor Chris Ritcey-Conrad, Interim Music Director Handbells Quartet Jeremy Hogeveen Frances Selby Jane Daly Pauline Ivan and George Chris Voorpostel The Pascoe brothers ...and especially to Dave Pascoe, the one who brings it all together!

In our Prayers...

Rodney Erlandson, Melody Hogeveen, Mary Hughes, Al Jacksteit, Mark Kieswetter, Fran Moore, Marion Morningstar, Pat Penney, Julie Potocny, Lesley Powell, Sydney Ross, Helen Scollnik, Elga Smidt, Paul McCutcheon, and the McCutcheon family.

Mother's Day

Today is a day to honour the love and care for others we call 'Motherhood,' wherever we have found it and in whatever ways we have found to cultivate it within ourselves. A day to remember and celebrate all moms, moms to be, and women who nurture and lead.

Pass the Offering Plate Please

Thanks to those are giving offering regularly. Please continue to support St. Philip's with your donations. Details for how to give are on <u>stphilipstoronto.com/donate-now/</u>.

Virtual Worship is Reaching Many!

Welcome to our virtual congregation! Our congregation is in different cities, provinces and even countries! While we cannot count attendance like we do in the building, we know that our service is reaching many, and that for many of the views, there is more than one person watching. We welcome all to worship with us.

Date:	<i>Estimate for Video Watched</i>	<i>Website Audience</i>
April 19	90	130
April 26	92	138
May 3	80	124

VISION STATEMENT

We are a diverse and inclusive Lutheran faith community freed by the grace of Christ to find God and self as we connect with our neighbours. We **practise** hospitality of open hearts and open arms. We **unite** with partners to make a difference in our neighbourhood. We **nurture** the community of Christ.