

St. Hilda's Anglican Church, Fairbank

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

Holy Eucharist

May 9, 2021

10:30am

Celebrant & Preacher: *The Very Rev. Douglas Stoute*
Priest-in-Charge: *Fr. Kenute Francis*
Honorary Assistant: *Fr. David Bryan Hoopes, OHC*
Organist: *William "Bill" Khan*

On Duty Today:

Eucharistic Assistant: *Noel Lewis*

Readers - *Margaret Goodridge*
Noel Lewis

Tribute to Mothers: *Gabby, Matthew & David*

Tech Team- *Brenda Ferary*
William Greenidge
Matthew Harris

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of St. Hilda's Church is to be Christ-centered in our life and worship, to serve lovingly those within our family and others within our reach that the spirit of God might empower us for worship, and pastoral care.

The Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE: *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Text: Anonymous German Hymn; Tune: CRUSADERS HYMN

OPENING PRAYER

Holy and mysterious God,
let this day be a worthy celebration of our Lord's resurrection love.
By the Easter good news, encourage us to put away our worries,
and to discard our fears, that with minds open to your Spirit
we may better love you and more adequately worship your holy name.
Through Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL: *O Praise ye the Lord*

Text: Henry Baker; Music: C. Hubert Parry; Tune: LAUDATE DOMINUM

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height
Rejoice in his word, ye angels of light
Ye heavens adore him by whom ye were made
And worship before him, in brightness arrayed

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth
In tuneful accord, ye sons of new birth
Praise him who has brought you his grace from above
praise him who has taught you to sing of his love

O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound
Each jubilant chord, re-echo around
Loud organs, his glory forth tell in deep tone
And sweet harp, the story of what he hath done

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
To him be outpoured all ages along
For love in creation, for heaven restored
For grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

WELCOME: *Fr. Kenute*

THE GREETING

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

*~ written by Joan Stott, based on Psalm 98. Posted on The Timeless Psalms.
[http://www.thetimelesspsalms.net/w_resources/pentecost25\[33\]c_2010.htm](http://www.thetimelesspsalms.net/w_resources/pentecost25[33]c_2010.htm)*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.
May he fill our hearts with joy.

It is written that love is the fulfilment of the law.
Love is also the ground and goal of worship.
Without love this hour is a waste of time.
Without love this house is an empty shell.

Come, sing a new song to our God
who has done wonderful things.
Love's victory is openly displayed,
Christ is vindicated in the sight of all nations.

The Lord is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 FOR THE DAY

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: Acts 10:44-48 *(Margaret Goodridge)*
[Believers are filled with the Holy Spirit and baptised in Christ]

A Reading from the Book of Acts

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 98 (Margaret Goodridge)

[Remembering God's marvelous works. Singing a new song to the Lord]

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm
has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory;
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands,
**and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.**

In righteousness shall he judge the world
and the peoples with equity.

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning is now, and will be for ever. Amen

THE SECOND READING: 1 John 5:1-6 (Noel Lewis)
[Loving God by obeying God's commandments]

A Reading from the First Letter of John

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

THE GRADUAL: Love Divine all Loves Excelling
Text: Charles Wesley;

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling;
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation;
Enter every trembling heart.

Finish then your new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see your great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee:
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before you,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

THE HOLY GOSPEL **John 15:9-17** *The Very Rev. Douglas Stoute*
[Abiding in Christ, overcoming through Christ and loving in Christ]

The Lord be with you
And also with you

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ

THE SERMON: *The Very Rev. Douglas Stoute*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

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 INTERCESSION *(Noel Lewis)*

~ written by Bruce Prewer, and posted on Bruce Prewer's Homepage. <http://www.bruceprewer.com/>

Let us pray

God our Saviour,
may these prayers which we offer you be also a renewing of our contract to love one another even as Jesus has loved us.

Loving God,

Hear us

We pray for the end of bitterness and violence in its many forms.

Bless all peacemakers: those who negotiate between nations, or arbitrate within commerce and industry, adjudicate in family courts, defuse tensions in school grounds, and counsel conflicting parties within church denominations.

Loving God,

Hear us

We pray for the effective, compassionate care of all who are diseased, maimed, or severely handicapped, including ailing members of this congregation: Petrona Levy, Gilda Davis, Ruth Andrews, Don Krasnovich,

Doraline Alexander, Helen Hancock, Mark Hancock, Gloria and Ancille Parsons, Pablo Velasquez, Barbara Gordon, Hyacinth Brooks, Mary Engels, Hermon Lobban, Wilton Holas, Len Green, Marcia Sealy, Geane Goodman, Sophia Goodman, Jeffrey Legair, Hubert Adlam and Allison Turner.

Bless all who work in clinics and hospitals: surgeons, physiotherapists, nurses, physicians, oncologists, psychiatrists, dieticians, social workers, dentists, pharmacists and the staff of hospices for the dying.

Loving God,

Hear us

We pray for the feeding of the hungry, the clothing of the destitute, the housing of the homeless, the reformation of prisoners, and the rehabilitation of those who have been addicted to drugs. Bless every agency, church or government, which is dedicated to the care of our disadvantaged sisters and brothers

Loving God,

Hear us

We pray for the provision of systems of justice that that are truly fair. Whether they are within our homeland, in other nations, or international courts of justice, may those who are brought to court find equality before the law. Bless with insight and integrity each barrister and judge, work in the mind and soul of every juror, that the innocent may be exonerated and the hearts of those sentenced turned towards repentance and regeneration.

Loving God,

Hear us

God our Creator, we thank you for your gift of mothers.

We pray for:

- expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
- new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility;
- mothers who are tired, stressed or depressed;
- mothers who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;
- mothers who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;
- mothers whose children have physical, mental or emotional

disabilities;
mothers who have children they do not want
and those suffering the results of an abortion;
mothers who raise children on their own;
mothers who have lost a child;
those who 'mother' the children of others:
step mothers and mothers in blended families;
mothers whose children have left home;
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.

Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,
and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,
living not for themselves alone, but for you and for others.

Loving God,

Hear us

We pray for the church, for all denominations large or small,
that we may love one another in practice as well as in prayer.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember the Anglican Church of Kenya
and in the Diocesan Cycle, Oshawa Deanery.

Bless all joint initiatives in worship, fellowship and service to the community.
May the world know that there is a grace at work in us which is not our doing
but a gift from a Lover who outstrips all other. Through Christ Jesus our
humble Lord.

Amen!

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us,
but if we confess our sins God is faithful and just to forgive us of all our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us therefore confess our sins,

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 ourselves. 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.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY: Our Father God in Heaven

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith; Music: Geoffrey Beaumont; Tune: HATHEROP CASTLE

Our Father God in heaven
on whom our world depends,
to you let praise be given
for families and friends;
for parents, sisters, brothers,
a home where love belongs,
but on this day for mothers
we bring our thankful songs.

What wealth of God's bestowing
for all the world to share!
what strength of heart outgoing
to children everywhere!
Our deepest joys and sorrows
a mother's path must trace,
and earth's unknown tomorrows
are held in her embrace.

How well we know the story
that tells of Jesus' birth,
the Lord of heaven's glory
become a child of earth;
a helpless infant sleeping,
yet King of realms above,
to find in Mary's keeping
the warmth of human love.

Our Father God in heaven,
to you we lift our prayer,
that every child be given
such tenderness and care,
where life is all for others,
where love your love displays:
for God's good gift of mothers
let earth unite in praise

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**God of glory, accept all we offer you this day,
and bring us to that eternal city of love and light,
where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. Amen**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

(Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 2)

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,

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,
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.

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."

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

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say
**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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

THE 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.

THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God.

DURING COMMUNION One Bread One Body

Text & Music: John B. Foley; Tune: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

One bread, one body, one Lord of all

One cup of blessing which we bless

And we, though many, throughout the Earth

We are one body in this one Lord

Gentile or Jew

Servant or free

Woman or man

No more. ***(refrain)***

Many the gifts,

many the works

One in the Lord

Of all. ***(refrain)***

ABLUTION

They'll know We are Christians

Text & Music: Peter Scholtes; Tune: St. BRENDANS

We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

**And they'll know we are Christians
By our love, By our love
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
By our love**

We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land. **(refrain)**

We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride. **(refrain)**

All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus His only son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one. **(refrain)**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death.
May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will,
in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

**Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

As you go your separate ways,
May God bless to you,
 every thought you weigh
 every word you say
 every prayer you pray.
May God bless through you
 every path you take
 every gesture of love you make
 every hope you awake.
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit be with you now and always.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

**Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

RECESSIONAL Praise to God, the World's Creator

Text: Jan Berry; Tune: NETTLETON

Praise to God, the world's creator,
source of life and growth and breath,
cradling in her arms her children,
holding them from birth to death.
In our bodies, in our living,
strength and truth of all we do,
God is present, working with us,
making us creators too.

Praise to God our saving Wisdom,
meeting us with love and grace,
helping us to grow in wholeness,
giving freedom, room, and space.
In our hurting, in our risking,
in the thoughts we dare not name,
God is present, growing with us,
healing us from sin and shame.

Praise to God, the Spirit in us,
prompting hidden depths of prayer,
firing us to long for justice,
reaching out with tender care.
In our searching, in our loving,
in our struggles to be free,
God is present, living in us,
pointing us to what shall be.

POSTLUDE Let us and Tongue Employ

Text: Fred Kaan; Music: Doreen Potter; Tune: LINSTEAD

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

- **Today, 12noon – Kids for Jesus (K4J)** - (*Facebook page, website & YouTube*)
- **Monday, May 10, 7pm – Bible Study** – Via zoom – (Luke 17). Please see zoom information below for joining. **Meeting ID** – 834 5394 5753; **Passcode** – 569873
Call: 1647-374-4685 or 1647 -558-0588 or go to our website and click on the link.
- **Tuesday, May 11, 12noon - Bite & Sip Mid Day devotion:** (Facebook live – St. Hilda’s Fairbank Anglican Church)
- **Tuesday, May 11, 7:30pm** – Compline (on Zoom – you can join via the website)
- **Thursday May 13noon - Bite & Sip Mid Day devotion** (Facebook live – St Hilda's Fairbank Anglican Church)

NOTICES

- **Stay at Home orders:** The Government of Ontario requires the Province – and therefore the Diocese of Toronto in its entirety – to abide by a “stay-at-home” order. As a Church, we are committed to doing our part to support efforts to contain and combat this insidious disease and the spread of the pandemic. Effective Monday, April 19 our churches are limited to 10 people present for all worship services, indoors or outdoors. Until otherwise directed access to our church buildings is limited primarily for the provision of livestreaming worship services, to a maximum of 10 people present.

Guidelines are still in effect, including mask wearing and physical distancing. Please also remember that we offer online worship on Sundays. Please be safe.

- **May 16th** The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, bishop of Toronto will join us for worship. We look forward receiving and having our bishop with us.
- **Offerings:** can be mailed in to the church, or parishioners can use the drop box at the church on Saturdays and Sundays 10am-12noon.
- **ST. VINCENT APPEAL!**
We are accepting donations to assist the people of St. Vincent. You can make your donations through St. Hilda’s and mark the envelop “St. Vincent Appeal”.

- **York- Fairbank Centre for Seniors:** is working with St. Hilda’s Anglican Church, British Methodist Episcopal Church, York-West Active Living Centre, local City of Toronto Councillors, City of Toronto Departmental Staff and other community agencies and organizations, in outreaching to vulnerable older adults, disabled adults and seniors, providing assistance in the vaccine roll-out plan. We are in the process of working with local agencies, Humber River Hospital and City of Toronto Public Health Unit Staff in a possible vaccination clinic at our location or at any of our surrounding accessible venues.

If you require additional information on COVID-19 vaccines, Ontario’s vaccine roll-out plan, public health measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19 or would like to discuss your vaccine hesitancy, please feel free to call us at 416-651-8300. If you are having problems navigating the on-line booking system, please make an appointment with our office. We would be happy to book your appointment at any of the present hospital vaccination sites, offer translation and interpretation services and offer transportation to and from your scheduled vaccination appointment booked through our office.

York Fairbank Community for Seniors Staff and volunteers are here to support and assist in building local community capacity to promote COVID-19 immunization and increase vaccine confidence. They will also be making routine follow-up phone calls to ensure that information letters have been received, and if any assistance is needed through our office.

You are also welcome, to contact them at 416-651-8300 or yorkfairbank@on.aibn.com and discuss your concerns or comments on Vaccinations.

- **Readings for Next Sunday, May 16**

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19