

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church & Iona Presbyterian Church

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Sunday Worship by Zoom and in person 10:30 a.m.



Pentecost 8

Sunday, July 19, 2026

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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Mississauga. We acknowledge this territory's significance for the Indigenous peoples who lived, and continue to live, upon it and whose practices and spiritualities were tied to the land and continue to develop in relationship to the territory and its other inhabitants today.

July 19, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

Healing Service of the Word

Hymns are from *Common Praise*

Leader and Preacher: Rev. Dr. John Oakes

[This liturgy is adapted from "A Service of the Word 1," in *Eucharistic Prayers, Services of the Word, and Night Prayer Supplementary to The Book of Alternative Services* (ABC Publishing, 2001)]

Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #291: *O Christ the Healer* (Tune: #7)

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

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.
We thank you, O God, that you have again brought
us together to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing.
Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your
purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Leader: Let us pray. Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living
way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to

worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

**All: 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.**

Leader: Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also, with you.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Romans 8:12–25 Una Ford

Reader: The first reading is taken from the eighth chapter of the Epistle to the Romans, beginning at the twelfth verse.

¹² Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation – but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. ¹⁵ The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, ‘*Abba, Father.*’ ¹⁶ The

Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. ¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. ¹⁸ I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. ²³ Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Psalms 139: 1–14, 22–23

1. Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
**you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.**
2. You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.
3. Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
4. You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.
5. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
6. Where can I go then from your Spirit? *
where can I flee from your presence?
7. If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
8. If I take the wings of the morning *

and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

9. Even there your hand will lead me *

and your right hand hold me fast.

10. If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, *

and the light around me turn to night."

11. Darkness is not dark to you;

the night is as bright as the day; *

darkness and light to you are both alike.

12. For you yourself created my inmost parts; *

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

13. I will thank you because I am marvellously made; *

your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

14. My body was not hidden from you, *

while I was being made in secret

and woven in the depths of the earth.

22. Search me out, O God, and know my heart; *

try me and know my restless thoughts.

23. Look well whether there be any wickedness in me *

and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

Leader: Let us pray. God of mystery and power, even our minds and hearts are the veils and signs of your presence. We come in silent wonder to learn the way of simplicity, the eternal road that leads to love for you and for your whole creation. We come as your Son Jesus Christ taught us, and in his name. **Amen.**

Gradual Hymn #712: Alleluia (Chorus x2)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13: 24–30, 36–43 – Norma Leggard

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the thirteenth chapter of Saint Matthew, beginning at the twenty-fourth verse.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

“²⁴ Jesus told them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. ²⁵ But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶ When the wheat sprouted and formed ears, then the weeds also appeared. ²⁷ The owner’s servants came to him and said, “Sir, didn’t you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?” ²⁸ “An enemy did this,” he replied. The servants asked him, “Do you want us to go and pull them up?” ²⁹ “No,” he answered, “because while you are pulling up the weeds, you may uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: first collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.”’ . . . ³⁶ Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field.’ ³⁷ He answered, ‘The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. ⁴⁰ As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. ⁴² They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears, let them hear.’”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn #712: *Alleluia* (Chorus x2)

Sermon: “Living in a Mixed-Up World” by John Oakes

Song of Response: Be Still

1. Be still for the presence of the Lord The Holy One is here
Come bow before Him now. With reverence and fear
In Him no sin is found. We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord. The Holy One is here

**2. Be still for the glory of the Lord. Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire. With splendor He is crowned
How awesome is the sight Our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord. Is shining all around**

**3. Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal To minister His grace
No work too hard for Him In faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place**

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The Apostle's 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.

Healing Litany

Leader: Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers, including
Diane, Edna, Margaret, and all others whom we name . . .

The People may audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

Leader: God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;
All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;
All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;
All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;
All: **We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Leader: Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world, especially in those countries torn apart by warfare and bitter conflict;

All: **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Leader: You are the Lord who does wonders:
All: **You have declared your power among the peoples.**

Leader: With you, O Lord, is the well of life:
All: **And in your light we see light.**

Leader: Hear us, O Lord of life:
All: **Heal us, and make us whole.**

Leader: Let us pray. Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Anointing and Healing Prayer

Leader: According to Mark's Gospel, "the apostles drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them." (Mark 6: 1) "Are any among you sick?" the apostle James writes, "They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord." (James 5: 14)

Do you give yourself to God, so that the will of God may be done in you?

People: I do.

Leader: All things are possible to those who believe. Do you believe in God's power to help you?

People: I do.

Leader: Let us pray. God our Healer, through this holy anointing grant our brothers and sisters healing, wholeness and comfort in their suffering. When they are afraid, give them courage; when afflicted, give them hope; and when alone, assure them of your love. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

All are invited to come up to the front for healing prayers and anointing.

Anointing Song: Be Still and Know that I Am God (Book of Praise #64)

**1. Be still and know that I am God
Be still and know that I am God
Be still and know that I am God**

**2. I am the Lord that healeth thee
I am the Lord that healeth thee
I am the Lord that healeth thee**

3. In Thee O Lord do I put my trust

**In Thee O Lord do I put my trust
In Thee O Lord do I put my trust**

**4. I am the Lord that strengthens thee
I am the Lord that strengthens thee
I am the Lord that strengthens thee**

**5. I am the way the truth the life
I am the way the truth the life
I am the way the truth the life**

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After all have been anointed, and received prayers, the leader concludes:

Let us pray. O Gracious God, you are a strong tower to all who put their trust in you, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, bow and obey; be now and evermore our defense, and make us know and feel that the only name under heaven given for health and salvation is that of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Offertory Hymn: *We Give Thee but Thine Own* (Book of Praise #661)

**1. We give Thee but Thine own
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is Thine alone
A trust O Lord from Thee**

**2. May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly as Thou blessest us
To Thee our firstfruits give**

**3. To comfort and to bless
To find a balm for woe**

**To tend the lone and fatherless
Is angels' work below**

**4. The captive to relieve
To God the lost to bring
To teach the way of life and peace
It is a Christ-like thing**

**5. And we believe Thy word
Though dim our faith may be
Whatever task we do O
Lord We do it unto Thee**

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Prayer over the Gifts

**All: O God, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Help us in all we do
to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice; through Jesus Christ
the Lord. Amen.**

Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

**Leader: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one
accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have
promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three
are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfill now our
desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this
world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life;
for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for
ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All: 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.

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 forever and ever, Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

Recessional Hymn #612: *Healer of Our Every Ill*

Dismissal

Leader: Alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

Welcome to St. Cyprian's and Iona, as we continue our combined worship and ministry at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. After today's service, we invite everyone to join a joint fellowship time together in the Iona space.

Noon Meditation

The **Wednesday meditation meets** with David Rudd and others **at 12 noon on:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9321564941?pwd=QmhLdDZ6ekQ2a1FLMmRWK2tXU0F0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 932 156 4941 Passcode: 1080

Joint Service with St. Christopher's

Be sure to **join us next Sunday for a special combined service with St. Christopher's**. We will meet for **Communion in the St. Cyprian's space**, when Rev.

John will preach and Canon Philip Der will preside.

Afterwards, all are invited to join for a **fellowship time with snacks and refreshments** in the Iona space.

Barbara Rhodes Scholarship Applications

Parishioner applications for Barbara Rhodes Post Secondary Scholarship will be due this year by Sunday, August 16.

Forms will be available in the office or can be requested electronically from Stacey Leslie, stacey.leslie.2993@gmail.com.

Ministry Opportunities

There are **ministry opportunities** in a number of **different areas**, for which **volunteers are welcome**. To help, **please contact Rev. John or one of the St. Cyprian's wardens or Iona elders**.

Happy Birthdays

Winston Brome	July 18
Lorraine Shepherd	July 19
Nassie Grandison	July 19
Theodore Wint	July 20
Evelyn Axworthy	July 21

Happy birthday, Happy birthday, God loves you.

Happy birthday and may all your dreams come true.

**When you blow out the candles, one light stays aglow
It's the love light of our Lord for all to know.**