

St. Cyprian Anglican Church

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Church Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Sunday Worship

The Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am every Sunday,

and at 11:00 am on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month.

Morning Prayer at 11:00 am on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Website: www.tri-church.ca



Ministers: Every member of the congregation

Incumbent: The Rev. Victor Li – 416-617-4837

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Director of Music – Laura Hope

Treasurer – Dennis Bucchan

Envelope Secretary – Jane Tearne

**September 8th, 2019 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost
Celebrating the Feast Day of St. Cyprian**

10:30 am Holy Baptism & Eucharist

Welcome to our worship today!

*May the Lord Bless You & all whom You Love;
Empower You to be Good News in the World!*

Today, the following persons are on duty:

Sidespersons are Cecil Edwards, Megan Sandiford, Ingrid Ellis-Rowe
Altar Guild are Jackie Gill, Janet Mitchener, Chitra Pereira
Duty Warden Una Ford
Lay Readers Mary Nagrani & Diane Downing

ORDER OF SERVICE
(Book of Alternative Services)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Processional Hymn: 438 O Jesus, I Have Promised

Greeting & Welcome p. 151

Collect of the Day *(Said Together)*

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; 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

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

Read by Mary Nagrani

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he

was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Jeremiah 18:1-11

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17 *(to be read responsively by alternate verses)*

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.

**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.

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.

16 **How deep I find your thoughts, O God! ***
how great is the sum of them!

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the
sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Together:

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.

A READING FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO PHILEMON

Read by Ingrid Ellis-Rowe

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love -- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I

am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother -- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: 431 Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said

**Gospeller: THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO LUKE**

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

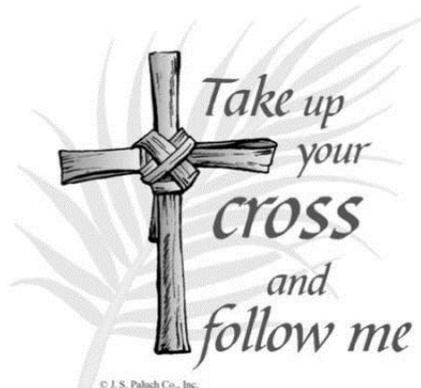
Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with

ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

Luke 14: 25-33

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Choir Anthem: “We’re a Fellowship of Believers” by Jay Althouse

Homily: The Rev. Victor Li

Hymn before Baptism: 36 Now There Is No Male or Female

Today, through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome 3 new members, **Ali Alipour, Aidan Ira Percy Peters, and Divine Andrew-Lee Cole** into Christ’s universal Church.

The Service of Holy Baptism pp. 153 - 161 (*Book of Alternative Services*)

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate p. 153

Prayers for the Candidate & his family p. 155

Thanksgiving over the Water p. 156

The Baptismal Covenant p. 158

The Baptism & the Giving of the Light p. 160

The Peace

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: “We Sing New Songs” (*Tune: Londonderry Air*)

We sing new songs of hope and expectation
abiding Spirit, give our eyes new sight.

Abundant life you offer every seeker,

and Holy Presence through the darkest night.
We sing of hope, a gift of God's own Spirit;
we sing of hope that heals a soul's despair.

We sing of hope, for Christ has gone before us,
and from the future calls us to the life we share.
We sing new songs of love and liberation:
for God has freed us, graced us with new life.

Let us tear down the barriers that divide us,
cast out the fear that causes hate and strife.
We sing of love that calls from deep within us;
we sing of love that bids us risk our all.

We sing of love that binds us to the Saviour,
and in whose steps we walk, whatever may befall.

We sing new songs of faith and transformation:
Creating still, God shapes us for shalom.

Equipped for service through our work and mission,
we seek God's reign, no matter what may come.
We sing of faith that still moves mighty mountains;
we walk by faith, God ever at our side.

We live through faith in One who came among us,
and in whose life and love we day by day abide.

- Words written by the Rev. Sherman Hesselgrave. Used by permission

Prayer over the Gifts [*said together*]

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love.
May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer # 4 p. 201

The Lord's Prayer (*sung*) p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread #8 p. 213

Agnus Dei: **747** Jesus, Lamb of God

The Holy Communion

*All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine,
regardless of the denominations to which you belong.*

Communion Hymns: **40** O Spirit of the Living God
 56 I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Standing, let us pray together]

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life.
May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and
glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Benediction

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: 598 Go to the World!

Dismissal: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

St. Cyprian's Announcements

September 15th - Back to Fall Schedule:

9:30 & 11:00 am -- Holy Eucharist & Healing Service

Church Choir Rehearsals on Thursdays from 7 pm until 8 or 8:30 pm. Newcomers are most welcome. Please speak to Laura or one of our present choir members for more information about this opportunity.

Tuesday Evening Study Group resumes
on **September 17th, 7:00 - 8:30 pm**

Tri-Church Garage Sale:

Saturday, September 21st, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Donations must be clean and in good repair. Clothing may be brought
in the week of the sale. All other items on the Friday, please.

Please sign the sheets on the table in the narthex
if you could help out on Friday and/or Saturday!

The **Tri-Con Seniors Group** starts up again this Wednesday,
September 11, at 12:30 pm in the Upper Fellowship Room.

The group meets each Wednesday, eat lunch (please bring your lunch) and play games and cards, such as Bridge, Scrabble, etc. Tea, coffee and desserts are provided. The cost is 50 cents each week.