



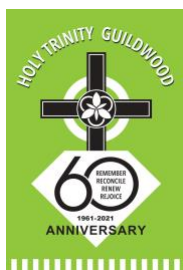
OUR VISION

*We at Holy Trinity Guildwood are a
Caring, Open-Hearted Community who Dream, Pray and Work
with Jesus for a Loving, Equitable and Peaceful World.*

Emancipation Sunday Service

July 26, 2026 – 10:30 a.m.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Guildwood
85 Livingston Rd Scarborough, ON M1E 1K7
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The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard, Incumbent



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Welcome to Holy Trinity, Guildwood

At Holy Trinity, Guildwood, we welcome all who come to worship with us. Though we are people of diverse background, lifestyle, and opinion, we are one in our desire to follow Jesus Christ. We seek to live as diversity in unity, offering a community in which we can all grow together as one Body: God's Church. We hope the order of service will help you find your way, but feel free to ask your neighbour for help. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us.

Children are always welcome at Holy Trinity - On Sundays, children are invited to take part in the wonderful age-appropriate activities offered by Church School downstairs in the church hall during the Liturgy of the Word. After which they return upstairs to join in "Time for the Young at Heart" at the steps of the altar, where the children share with the congregation what they have been learning about in church School. Parents are always welcome to join their children for some or all of the time downstairs. For more information contact Melanie McLeod, Family Ministry Coordinator, at 416-261-9503 or melanie.mcleod777@outlook.com. Children are always welcome to join in the fun and adventure of growing in Christ.

**As you are invited to stand or sit, please feel free to do
as best fits your health, comfort, and circumstances.**

Please silence your cell phones.

Dear Guest/Visitor:

Thank you for worshipping with us today; you have enriched our community, and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. If you will be returning to a distant home, we wish you the Lord's grace and a safe journey. However, if you live anywhere near us, and you are not an involved member of a faith community and might be seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday so that we may continue to worship with and respond to you. Please visit us on the web at www.trinityguildwood.org and to take one of our welcome brochures to learn more about opportunities for personal spiritual growth and service to others.



***Holy Trinity, Guildwood's ministries are supported by the
prayers, time, energy, and financial gifts of those who
worship with us.***

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Prelude - The Lord's Prayer

Pannist

The Gathering of the Community *please stand*

Gathering Hymn – Lift Every Voice and Sing

1. Lift ev'ry voice and sing
till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise
high as the list'ning skies;
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun
of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

2. Stony the road we trod,
bitter the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died.
Yet with a steady beat,
have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered.
We have come, treading our path thru' the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

3. God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way,
Thou who hast by thy might
led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee.
Shadowed beneath thy hand,
may we forever stand,
True to our God, true to our native land.

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Officiant Today we honour and acknowledge that this land and locality are on the historical traditional lands of the Indigenous Peoples of what we call Turtle Island and what is commonly called North America.
We acknowledge the leadership of Indigenous Elders, who continue to teach us about what it means to live in a balanced and good way with all creation. May our time of worship together be blessed, as we give respect to the First Peoples of this land and seek to live in right relationship with ourselves, Creator, and one another.

On this Emancipation Sunday we especially acknowledge, reflect, and honour the significant resilience and contributions of people of African descent to the church and society as a whole.

We acknowledge that from the 17th century until the 19th century, adults and children were forcefully kidnapped and displaced from their homes in Western Africa and brought across the Atlantic Ocean to the Caribbean and the Americas, where they were forced into chattel slavery; and that although slavery was abolished in 1834 there is still discrimination today based on the colour of people's skin.

We pray that the Spirit will lead us into all truth, into repentance for the wrongs of the past and into true reconciliation with our Indigenous and African-Canadian brothers and sisters that we may create a more inclusive and equitable church and society for all.

Greeting

Officiant: 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.

Officiant: Here in this place, there are no foreigners.

People: The love of God welcomes us all.

Officiant: Here in this place, there are no outsiders.

People: The love of God embraces us all.

Officiant: Here in this place, there are no strangers.

People: The love of God unites us all.

Glory to God

Refrain

Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, on earth peace
to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,
We adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father. **Refrain**

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy of us. **Refrain**
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. **Refrain**

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Gathering Prayer (The Collect of the Day) *please remain standing*

Officiant: Let us Pray
God of justice and compassion,
you created all people in your image
and call us to live in freedom and truth:
break every yoke that diminishes human dignity,
restore what has been wounded by sin and injustice,
and make us ministers of reconciliation
in the new creation you bring in Christ
and enable us to do the work that pleases you,
to repair what has been broken,
and to walk in the freedom that no power can take away;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word *please sit for the readings*

Voice of the Diaspora:

Who are my People?
What manner of soil gave birth to my ancestors?
When I go and search for their origins and first beginnings,
will the soil receive me, welcome me, and teach me who I am?
What nation, tribe, clan, family line do I belong to?
I imagine those who come with the same inquiries will fill the continent searching,
seeking, asking and wanting to know ...
who are my People?

Which of the 3,000 distinct ethnic groups do I belong to?
Which of the 2,000 plus languages do I possess in my DNA?
Who are my People?

Am I Dinka, Fang, or Fulani? Am I Watutsi, Zulu or Igbo?
Do I descend from the Hausa, Jukun, Kassena, Kongo, Lemba,
or Nande? Perhaps my ancestors are Wolof, Xhosa, Tsongo, or Zulu.
I look into my eyes and think these are Ashanti, Ewe, or Maroon eyes.

I do not yet know.
But I am confident my ancestors and their DNA reside on every country on every
continent on this planet.

My siblings, cousins, aunts, uncles, and extended family are Afro-Brazilian, Afro-British, Afro-Indian, Afro-Asian, Afro-Canadian, Afro-Mexican, Afro-Barbadian, maybe Afro-Irish, Afro-French, and Afro-Arab. For it is from the African soil that the Cradle of Civilization rose.

Oh, what a day that will be when we gather for the family reunion. There will be every conceivable shade of luscious brown, black, cocoa, and mocha ready to embrace, looking for a hug, smiling and greeting with welcome home.
No one will be asking, “are you my People?”
We will be certain we are family and we are the People we’ve been waiting for.

The ASHE Land Acknowledgement Working Group (LAWG) (2020)

Psalm 105: 1-11, 45

p. 845, 846, 848

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-39

Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom

he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Alleluia *sung 3 times before and after the Gospel*

CARIBBEAN

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah!

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The Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of

teeth. Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Alleluia *sung 3 times before and after the Gospel*

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Sermon

Sharon Onebunne

Silence for reflection

Dramatic Reading: SECRETS OF THE KINGDOM,

Dramatized by Rachael Boles

Four disciples are recalling Jesus' parables. The 1st speaker (who seems to be a compulsive note-taker) is writing in a small notebook.

Guest Musician - Ava Maria, & When We All Go To Heaven

Pannist

Our Response to the Word *please stand*

The Creed – a version used by the Masai

Officiant Let us affirm our faith, as we say;

**All We believe in the one High God,
who out of love created the beautiful world,
and everything good in it.
God created human beings,
and wants them to be happy in the world.
God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the earth.
We have known this High God in darkness,
and now we know God in the light.
God promised in the book of God's word, the Bible,
to save the world and all the nations and tribes.
We believe that God made good his promise
by sending his son, Jesus Christ,
a man in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village,
who left his home and was always on safari doing good,
curing people by the power of God,
teaching about God and man,
showing the meaning of religion is love.
He was rejected by his people,
tortured and nailed hands and feet to a cross, and died.
He lay buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch him,
and on the third day, he rose from the grave.**

**He ascended to the skies. He is the Lord.
We believe that all our sins are forgiven through him.
All who have faith in him must be sorry for their sins,
be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God,
live the rules of love and share the bread together in love,
to announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again.
We are waiting for him. He is alive. He lives.
This we believe. Amen.**

adapted from Christianity Rediscovered

Prayers of the People

Please feel free to sit or stand - however you are most comfortable to pray.

*Prayers are offered for the church, all in authority, the world,
the local community, those in need, and the departed.*

Officiant: May we experience freedom of mind, body, soul, and spirit saying,
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of all peoples,
whose Son reached across the ethnic boundaries between Samaritan,
Roman and Jew, help us to break down the barriers in our communities,
enable us to see the reality of racism and bigotry,
and free us to challenge and uproot it from ourselves,
our society and our world.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all victims of racial hatred and discrimination,
and we seek your protection for those affected in our churches,
our schools, our places of work and our communities.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for all in our world, of whatever race,
who suffer the horrors of modern slavery.
Your Son came to bring good news to the poor
and freedom for the oppressed.
We pray for all working to combat modern slavery
and to end human trafficking: for governments and agencies,
for Church and other faith leaders,
for businesses, charities and individuals.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray for ourselves.
May we be voices against oppression
and channels of the transforming power of the gospel.
Open our hearts to all who suffer in our midst but out of sight.
Help us to work for a world where human beings are valued,
where no one is enslaved,
and no one used against their will for another's pleasure or need.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

We pray that we may know the power of reconciliation.
Wherever there is division between us and others,
because of our race or ethnicity,
we pray that we may all be led to reconciliation.
We pray for all who work to bring communities together
in ways that are just and equal for all.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

As we pray for reconciliation, we pray also for restoration.
We pray for those whose spirits and communities
have been weighed down by racism.
Guide us as we strive to ensure everyone has equal dignity.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Confession and Forgiveness

*Confession lets us set down the heavy things we carry with us,
putting us in right relationship with one another and with God.*

Officiant: We confess that often in our world,
we are intolerant of others because of the way they speak.
While we think we may have excellent reasons for our intolerance,
we fail to see the damage that this can cause.
We have failed to realize that we all have accents
and can speak the same language in diverse ways.
Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy,
All: Lord, have mercy.

We confess that we have treated others differently
because of their skin colour and ethnicity.
We remember with sadness
the terrible and cruel ways, the racism and microaggressions,
in which the Indigenous Peoples of this land

and people of African descent, Asian heritage,
and Hispanic heritage have been treated.
Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy,
All: Lord, have mercy.

We confess that, though slavery has ended,
its legacy continues to shape our common life.
Yet we give you thanks, O God, for the freedom proclaimed in Christ,
and for the hope of emancipation, justice, and renewal in every age.
Set us free from the sins that bind us,
Heal the wounds of history,
and lead us into the liberty of your kingdom,
where all your children may walk in dignity, truth, and peace.
Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy,
All: Lord, have mercy.

The Peace *please stand*

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

While the hymn is sung, a collection is taken.

Offertory Hymn #484– In Christ There Is No East or West

McKEE

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Offertory Prayer

Officiant Let us pray:
Gracious God,
we bring these gifts to your altar,
symbols of our labour and love.
Bless them to build your kingdom of justice,
where the oppressed find dignity,
where hearts and nations are reconciled;
and where every soul is released to live in your freedom.
Transform our offerings and we who give them
that we may be instruments of your grace in this broken world.
Through Christ, who is our peace, we pray.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Sending Forth of the Community

Doxology *Please stand*

Officiant 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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Time for the Young at Heart

The Children and Youth are invited to come forward and gather at the altar steps.

Children's Transition – This Little Light of Mine Harry Dixon Loes
**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine; (3 times)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

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Sending *please stand*

Sending Hymn – We are Marching in the Light of God

We are marching* in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching) Oo,
We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, (marching, we are marching) Oo,
We are marching in the light of God.

**Alternate text: dancing, singing.*

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Dismissal

Officiant May the Christ who walks on wounded feet
 walk with you on the road.
 May the Christ who serves with wounded hands
 stretch out your hands to serve.
 May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart
 open your hearts to love.
 May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet,
 and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.
 And May the Blessing of God Almighty,
 the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
 be among us and remain with us always.

People: Thanks be to our liberating God! Amen.

Officiant Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
 serve the world God loves.

All. Thanks be to God.

Postludes – Hear O Lord & How Great Art the Lord.

Pannist



VBS Summer Camp

Where? Holy Trinity, Guildwood, 85 Livingston Road.

Tel 416 261 9503 Office@trinityguildwood.org

When? Monday August 24 to Friday August 28

9:30 am-12:30 pm

For who? Ages 4+ How much? \$100 for the week!

Includes a Trip to the Zoo! Bursaries Available

This Week, in our Cycle of Prayers for the Church, we remember:



Diocese of Toronto
Anglican Church of Canada

We Pray For:

The Church: the Anglican Church of Tanzania; Giving With Grace – The Anglican Appeal of the Anglican Church of Canada; The Diocese of Edmonton; St. Martin, Bay Ridges; for Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury; Shane Parker, our Primate; Anne Germond, our Metropolitan Bishop; Christopher Harper, our National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop; and our College of Bishops: Kevin Robertson, Riscylla Shaw, and Andrew Asbil, our Diocesan and Area Bishop.

Our Parish Family of Holy Trinity, Guildwood: Tyrone Fubler, Petrina Harrichand Fubler, Aviyah, Josiah and Isaiah Fubler; Elaine Fletcher; Joy Gage.

Those Celebrating a birthday: Canon Stephen; Lurleen Callender; Peter Price.

Our Welcome and Sides Person Coordinator: Flo Schwerdtner.

Our Officiant and Homilist: Sharon Onebunne

Our Priest: Stephen.

Our Land Lease Development Project.

Those who are Sick, Shut-In, and who have asked for our Prayers: Dorothy and Kaizen Brown; Carol Gooding; Valerie Grant; Scott and Maricel Heald; Beverley Byrne MacPhee; Ruth Mattinson; Allan Mawson; Don & Mary Beth.

For; Joanne Dera; Karen Fraser; Lucia Gomes; Penny Gooding; Roy Mohabir and any others known to you...

Those Who Have Died: Darlene Grimes.

*The flowers this week are given by
Cathy Mathews
in memory of
Darlene Grimes*



Assisting in Worship are:

Officiant and Homilist

Sharon Onebunne

Readers:

Sydney Baxter-Dennis, Lisa- Marie Daniel

Linda Akuwa, Zuriel and Shavonne Onebunne

Altar Guild

Linda Epping, Leslie Hetherington,

Welcome

Barrie Morgan

Hospitality:

Karen Price

Guest Musician: Pannist

Chris Bishop

Readings for

Next Sunday

August 2, 2026

(Proper 18A)

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalms 17: 1-7, 16;

Romans 9:1-5;

Matthew: 14:13-21.

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**The Reverend Canon Stephen Kirkegaard will be away from
Friday July 17 -Thursday August 20, 2026, inclusive**

*Church Office Hours:
Monday & Wednesday closed
Tuesday and Thursday 10 am – 4 pm
Friday 10 am -2 pm*