

# HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
1:00PM Service

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
In-Person Worship Bulletin



*“Crossing the Red Sea” by Yoram Raanan*

Good afternoon! We are so glad you have joined us today.  
Please take a moment to read through this information:

- You have already completed Registration – thank you! This helps us with contact tracing in case someone who attends church has a positive Covid test.
- Please keep your face mask on for the duration of the service, with the exception of when you go forward to receive Communion, or if you have a medical condition that prevents you from wearing a mask.
- If you require a Gluten Free wafer for Communion, please take one of the red cards from the table at the entrance to the garden. Carry the red card with you as you go up for Communion so that the Priest can see from a distance that they need to put out a Gluten Free wafer for you.
- Based on current Alberta Health guidelines, we are not permitted to have congregational singing. While you listen to the music, please use this time for personal prayer and meditation.
- Regarding Communion:
  - Only the presiding Priest will consume the bread *and* wine. Communicants will receive the Sacrament in bread only.
  - When going forward to receive Communion, please be mindful of keeping 6 ft. distance from those not in your family group.
  - Wafers will be in individual cups for you to take when you approach the table. Please take the wafer and dispose of the cup in the wastebasket next to the table.
- Please only use the washrooms on the Upper Level (by the Upper Hall/Upper Kitchen).
- Please do not access the basement of the church while here for services to minimize areas to be cleaned.
- Please take your bulletin with you or dispose of it in the recycling bin as you leave.
- We welcome you to stay and chat with friends however please remember to keep physical distance.

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

*“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you.”*

*John 13:34*

### **Opening Hymn #471: Let My People Seek Their Freedom**

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

**All: And also with you.**

There is one body and one Spirit,

**All: There is one hope in God’s call to us;**

One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

**All: One God and Father of all.**

**Collect of the Day:** God of love, you brought your people out of slavery with a mighty hand. Deliver us from our captivity to self-interest and our indifference to the gifts of others, so that we may be ready to love as you have loved us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**Exodus 14:19-31.** *Although Israel’s deliverance at the sea is a very important story in Old Testament tradition, it is perhaps not the key point of the Exodus. Israel has already been released from Egypt (Exodus 12:29-51). The narrative before us is a merging of at least two stories with distinct theological emphases, complementing each other, but agreeing on the main point: it is the God of Israel who acts to save.*

### **A reading from Exodus (14:19-31)**

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the

pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, ‘Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.’ Then the LORD said to Moses, ‘Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.’ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 114.** *Jews read this psalm at Passover, and Christians at the Great Vigil of Easter. It is a song of praise for God’s mighty acts in the Exodus and the entry into the promised land.*

### **Psalm 114: When Israel Fled from Egypt Land**

**Romans 14:1-12.** *Paul addresses the question of differences in everyday religious practices—issues that can deeply affect the quality of Christian community. Paul’s advice will not make Christians any less diverse in theology or life-style, but it will make individuals less judgmental and our communities more livable.*

### **A reading from Romans (14:1-12)**

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to

be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Matthew 18:21-35.** *Jesus concludes his teaching about church life with a strong lesson about forgiveness. The importance of forgiveness in the life of God's people can never be underestimated. Scripture intros by The Rev. Robin Walker.*

### **Gospel Reading**

The Lord be with you;

**All: And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 18:21-35.

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

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with

me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

The Gospel of Christ.

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

**Sermon:** The Rev. Danielle Key

## **THE BAPTISM**

### **Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

*Sponsors & Parents: I present Cynthia Fuhrer/Norah Ku/ Connor Seery to receive the sacrament of baptism.*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

*Sponsors & Parents: I will, with God's help.*

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Sponsors & Parents: I will, with God's help.*

I present Suzanne Oswald to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate: I do.*

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Sponsors/Parents/Candidates: I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Sponsors/Parents/Candidates: I renounce them.*

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Sponsors/Parents/Candidates: I renounce them.*

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

*Sponsors/Parents/Candidates: I do.*

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Sponsors/Parents/Candidates: I do.*

Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

*Sponsors/Parents/Candidates: I do.*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

All: **We will.**

### **Prayers for the Baptismal Candidates**

Let us now pray for Cynthia, Norah, Connor, and Suzanne who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Send them into the world in witness to your love.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

All: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our baptismal covenant.

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

Do you believe in God the Father?

All: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: **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 dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: **I believe in God the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of Sins, the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting.**

Will you continue in the Apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

All: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

All: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

All: **I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

All: **I will, with God's help.**

### **The Baptism** *(Please be seated)*

Cynthia Fuhrer/Norah Ku/ Connor Seery/Suzanne Oswald, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. I sign you with the cross, and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

**Prayer after Baptism:** Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them inquiring and discerning hearts, the courage to will and to persevere, spirits to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

**Amen.**

### **The Giving of Light**

Receive the light of Christ, to show that you have passed from darkness to light.

All: **Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.**

*(Each candidate will be baptized and receive the light individually.)*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All: **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

### **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

### **THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

#### **Offertory Hymn #226: Through the Red Sea Brought At Last**

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Holy God, accept all we offer you this day. May we who are reconciled at this table bring wholeness to our broken world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### **Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 1 (S1)**

The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed his he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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 for ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer after Communion:** God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

### **The Doxology**

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.**

### **The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn #403: Let All Things Now Living**

### **Dismissal**

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**All: Thanks be to God.**