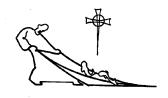
# **Church of St. Andrew, Scarborough (Anglican)**

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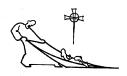
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Personal telephone numbers are available to parishioners through the office.

Liturgical Note from St. James Cathedral, Toronto: In the context of Christian Liturgy, Israel does not refer to the current political state, but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ. If you would like more information, Rev. Jake can point you to a resource from our Cathedral.

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To love and worship God as one family in Jesus Christ; to extend this love into Christian action in the community.

# ASCENSION SUNDAY

# Sunday, June 1, 2025 10:00AM



Mural of Christ ascending to heaven on a graffiti wall in Bristol, UK.

### Welcome

Thank you for worshipping with us today! By being here, you have enriched our community. We pray that you find the service meaningful.

We hope that you sense God's presence and His love for you in our midst, and that you consider the Church of St. Andrew a place where you can belong and call home.

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Prelude "Fantasia", by J.J. Froberger

Processional Hymn: #247 "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

Opening Sentence Matthew 28:19,20

All: Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

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Gloria in Excelsis (sung) Hymn #365

### **Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**(All Sit)

### The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading Acts 1:1-11

### A reading from the Book of Acts:

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up

### TOWN HALL MEETING TODAY, 11:30am-1pm

Join us, following our Sunday service, in the Parish Hall for an update on what our church is doing in 2025.

Please join us online for **Morning Prayer**, Tuesdays, 9–9:30AM and **Bible Study**, Wednesdays, 7–8:00PM.

Zoom info: Meeting ID: 625 721 4565

If you are calling in, please call +1 647 374 4685, then follow instructions to enter the Meeting ID followed by #, then press # again to join. Press "\*6" to unmute.

#### ANNUAL ROYAL TEA

Saturday, June 7, 2025 — 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Tickets and flyers are available in the Narthex

after the Service today.

Adult: \$35.00 / Youth: \$25.00

### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!**

Please contact Lethel Shand: 416-292-0195

### ◆ BIRTHDAYS ◆

*June 2* – *Kathleen Skeete-Day* 



The flowers on the Altar today are given by Eva Targett, to the glory of God, and in treasured memory of my beloved husband, John. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

The flowers on the Altar today are given by Maxine Sylvester to the glory of God, and in thanksgiving for the prayers and condolences received from Rev. Jake, Lethel Shand, and other members of the congregation on the recent passing of my aunt.



The Sanctuary Lights for the month of June are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Patricia Berlin who left us too soon. Your beautiful spirit lives on. Given by Paulette Athill and family.



#### **Prayer after Communion:**

**Celebrant:** Eternal Giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Celebrant: 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

(All Sit)

**Announcements** 

(All Stand)

Recessional Hymn: #374 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude "Toccata", by J.J. Froberger

UPCOMING EVENTS		
Wed., June 4	10:00-10:30am	Mid-Week Eucharist
Wed., June 4	10:30-11:30am	Fellowship–St. Andrew's Room
Wed., June 4	7:00-8:15pm	Zoom Online Bible Study w/Compline
Sat., June 7	2:00-4:00pm	Annual Royal Tea–Parish Hall

#### **ASSISTING TODAY**

ALTAR GUILD: Thelma Tappin LECTORS: 1. George Gumbs

2. Lauretta Brown-Hermanstyne

INTERCESSOR: Gail Smith

LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Alexandra Browne

toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Reader: The word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 47** (prayed responsively – the congregation says the bolded verses)

Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with a cry of joy.

For the Lord Most High is to be feared; he is the great king over all the earth.

He subdues the peoples under us, \* and the nations under our feet.

He chooses our inheritance for us, \* the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

God has gone up with a shout, \* the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; \* sing praises to our king, sing praises.

For God is king of all the earth; \* sing praises with all your skill.

God reigns over the nations; \* God sits upon his holy throne.

The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \* with the people of the God of Abraham.

The rulers of the earth belong to God, \* and he is highly exalted.

### **The Second Reading**

**Ephesians 1:15-23** 

### A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians:

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn:** #246 vv.1-2 "Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus"

Luke 24:44-53 The Holy Gospel

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn: #246 v.3 "Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus"

(All Stand)

The Rev. Jake Cunliffe

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(Sit or Kneel)

**Prayers of the People** 

The Homily

**Confession and Absolution** 

Celebrant: Mindful of our Saviour's cross, passion, resurrection and glorious ascension, let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

Merciful God, we need your healing. Give us true repentance. Some sins are plain to us, some escape us, some we cannot face. Forgive us. Set us free to hear your word to us. Set us free to serve you.

**Celebrant:** God the Creator bring you to new life, forgive and redeem you. Take hold of this forgiveness and live your life in the Spirit of Jesus. Amen.

Celebrant: God forgives you. Forgive others. Forgive yourself.

"Let There Be Peace On Earth" (sung)

by Jill Jackson-Miller and Sy Miller

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father, we are family,

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment, and live each moment in peace eternally,

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

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### The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: #84 "Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour"

#### **Prayer over the Gifts:**

Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Hvmn #689 Sanctus (sung)

> (Sit or Kneel) Hymn #684

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Lamb of God ("Agnus Dei") (sung): Hymn #690

**Celebrant:** The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

#### The Communion

(Sung) "Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry; Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst."

All baptised Christians are welcome at the table. Gluten-free wafers are available. You may also come forward to receive a blessing.

Communion Hymn: #245 "O Lord Most High, Eternal King"