

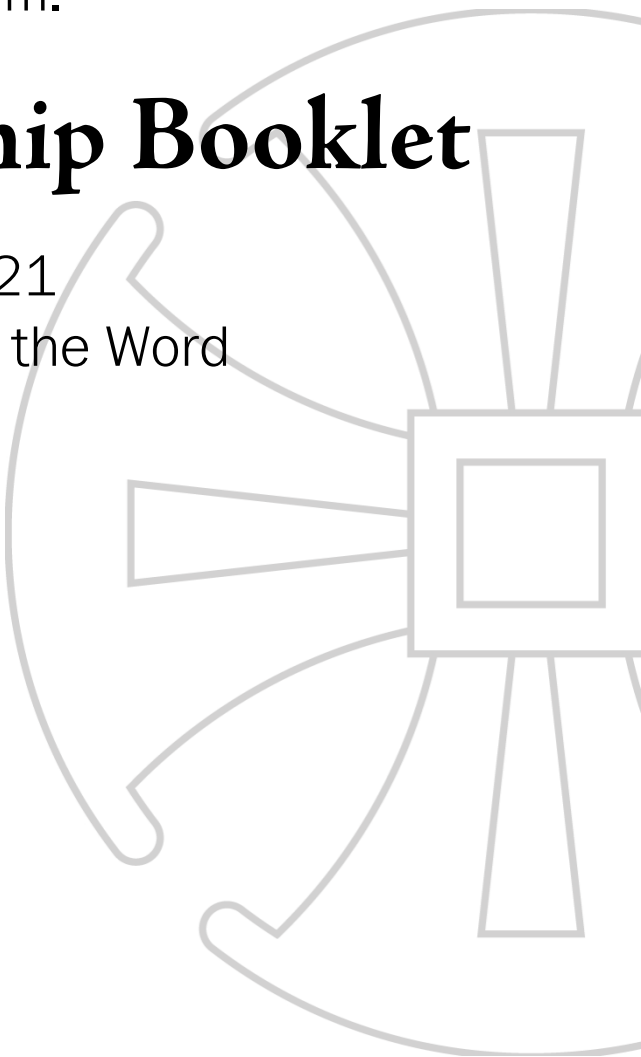
Sunday, October 17, 2021

At 10:00 a.m.

# Worship Booklet

Pentecost 21

A Liturgy of the Word



**ASCENSION**

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## **Land Acknowledgement**

*Ascension gathers on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people.*

**Opening Hymn** | *Glory in the Highest Glory*

Glory, in the highest glory,  
Peace to all, in all their days.  
Worship, thanks and praise unceasing  
To the Source of all we raise;  
Reigning in the sapphire height,  
Hidden from our mortal sight,  
Now receive our adoration,  
As we make our supplication.

Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer,  
Lamb of God, for sinners given,  
Word Eternal, born of Mary,  
Word made Flesh, the Face of Heaven;  
Holy one, to you we pray,  
Hear us in the realms of day,  
With the Spirit the united,  
And the Godhead high exalted.

# **Opening Prayers & Penitential Rite**

God is with us

**O come, let us worship!**

Although we have come together in digital space, we each stand in place on solid ground that is the ancestral territory of Indigenous peoples. *I live in the City of Ottawa which is located on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg people.* On whose territory do you live?

*Silence*

Let us pray,

Loving God,

**help us to live respectfully on these lands, seeking justice and peace. Help us to pray to you in faith, to sing to you with**

**gratitude, and to listen to your word with eagerness; so that we might follow Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Spirit of God fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to God and confess our sins, trusting in God's great love.

*Silence*

God be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:  
**Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,  
your saving power among the nations:  
**Christ, have mercy.**

You, O God, have made known your salvation, and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:

**Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to your truth, strengthen us to do your will and give us the joy of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Gloria**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

And on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

*Repeat*

## **Collect of the Day**

Most glorious God,  
in Jesus you call your people  
to true humility and servanthood.  
Grant to us the boldness  
to desire a place in your kingdom,  
the courage to drink the cup of suffering,  
and the grace to find in service  
the glory you promise;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **First Reading** | Job 38:1-7; 34-41

*A Reading from ...*

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you,

and you shall declare to me. Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements | surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?"

"Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young



lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches

**Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 104:1-9, 25, 37b**

Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!**

You are clothed with majesty and splendour.

**You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak and spread out the heavens like a curtain.**

You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above;

**you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind.**

You make the winds your messengers and flames of fire your servants.

**You have set the earth upon its foundations, so that it never shall move at any time.**

You covered it with the deep as with a mantle; the waters stood higher than the mountains.

**At your rebuke they fled; at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.**

They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, to the places you had appointed for them.

**You set the limits that they should not pass; they shall not again cover the earth.**

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all;  
**the earth is full of your creatures.**  
**Hallelujah!**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,  
*Repeat*

**Gospel Reading** | Mark 10:35-45

God is here

**The Spirit is with us**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to ...

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that

among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

**Sermon**

**Hymn** | *Our Darkness is Never Darkness*

Our Darkness is never darkness in your sight:

The deepest night is clear as the daylight.

*(repeat)*

## **Affirmation of Faith**

Together, let us affirm our faith as we say:

Hear, O my people

**the Lord our God, the Lord is one.**

**Love the Lord your God**

**with all your heart, with all your soul,**

**with all your mind, and with all your**

**strength.**

**This is the first and the great**

**commandment.**

**The second is like it:**

**Love your neighbour as yourself.**

**There is no commandment greater than**

**these.**

## **Prayers of the People**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**Our Mother, 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.**

## **Closing Prayers**

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that the light of your glory may shine  
through our lives  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our  
Lord,  
**Amen**

## **Glory to God**

**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 peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. And the blessing of God almighty, the Source of all being, the Eternal Word, and the Holy Spirit be upon you this day and every day. **Amen.**

**Closing** | *God Whose Almighty Word*

God, whose almighty Word  
chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight:  
hear us, we humbly pray,  
and where the gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray,  
let there be light!

Saviour, who came to bring  
on your redeeming wing  
healing and sight,

health to the sick in mind,  
sight to the inly blind:  
now for all humankind  
let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love,  
life-giving holy Dove,  
speed on your flight!  
Move on the water's face  
bearing the lamp of grace,  
and in earth's darkest place  
let there be light!

Gracious and holy Three,  
glorious Trinity,  
wisdom, love, might,  
boundless as ocean's tide  
rolling in fullest pride:  
through the world far and wide  
let there be light!

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## **Acknowledgements**

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## **Sunday Worship at Ascension**

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### **Service of Holy Eucharist at Ascension Sundays at 1pm at the Church**

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