

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church & Iona Presbyterian Church

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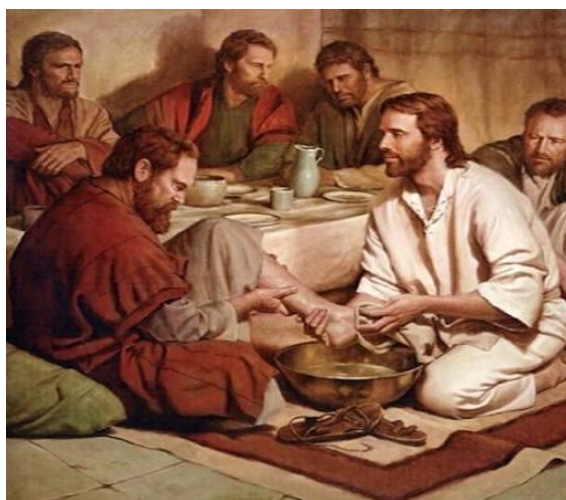
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St. Cyprian's Website: stcyprianschurch.ca

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Church office hours: Tuesdays & Fridays 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Sunday Worship by Zoom and in person 10:30 a.m.



Pentecost 6

Sunday, July 5, 2026

Minister: Every member of the congregation

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Iona Elders: Marg Black, Dorine Bourque, Melissa Reid, Bob Williams.

Director of Music: Laura Hope

Office Administrator: Bob Williams

Zoom Link for Sunday Worship

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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands of the Mississauga. We acknowledge this territory's significance for the Indigenous peoples who lived, and continue to live, upon it and whose practices and spiritualities were tied to the land and continue to develop in relationship to the territory and its other inhabitants today.

Cell phones

Please be sure that your cell phone is switched off or set to airplane mode to conserve the WiFi service for our Zoom broadcast. Thank you.

Holy Communion (Presbyterian *Book of Common Worship* and "Worship Planner")

Hymns are from *The Book of Praise*, unless otherwise noted

Presider: Rev. Dr. John Oakes

Celebrant and Preacher: Rev. Kathy Brownlee

Welcome

Processional Hymn #435: *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

Responsive Call to Worship

Presider: 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.**

Prayer of Adoration

Presider: Holy, gracious and merciful God, you are overflowing with love, infinite in kindness, and incomparable in glory. There is none like you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, your presence breaks into our lives, reflected in the beauty of creation, to refresh and inspire us. You renew us to imagine new things. You strengthen us to meet life's changes and

challenges. In response to your goodness and glory, we offer you our thanks in prayer and praise from our hearts. We honour you with our lives, worshipping you as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, this day and every day, now and forever. **Amen.**

In recalling all that you are and do, we also acknowledge who we are and how far we have fallen. So we join together to confess our sins:

Prayer of Confession

All: God of mercy and loving-kindness, you sent Christ among us to be the light of the world and to reveal your love to all people. We confess our many sins against you and one another. We waste our gifts and we harm each other. We ignore the cries of the needy, and we do not strive for justice and peace. In your great mercy, we ask you to forgive us our sins against you and one another, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Presider: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith turn to him: have mercy on us, pardon and deliver us from all your sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also, with you.

Presider: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

The Proclamation of the Word

Prayer For Illumination

Presider: Spirit of wisdom, be our guide as we listen for God's word speaking in the Scriptures. When we are puzzled, grant us clarity. When we resist hearing, open our hearts. Renew our understanding through the grace of Christ, God's Living word. **Amen.**

First Reading: Romans 7: 15–25a Margaret Black

Reader: The first reading is taken from the seventh chapter of the Epistle to the Romans, beginning at the fifteenth verse.

“¹⁵ I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³ but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 145: 8–14

Presider: 8. The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

People: 9. The Lord is loving to everyone and his compassion is over all his works.

Presider: 10. All your works praise you, O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.

People: 11. They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power;

Presider: 12. That the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

People: 13. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

Presider: 14. The Lord is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds.

Presider: Let us pray. Almighty God, give us grace to know you more and more, that knowing we may love and loving we may praise, that the whole world may hear your name and worship you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gospel Acclamation CP#712: Alleluia! (Chorus x2)

Gospel Reading: Mark 10: 35–45 Alan Teare

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the tenth chapter of Saint Mark, beginning at the thirty-fifth verse.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' ³⁶ And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' ³⁷ And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' ³⁸ 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?' ³⁹ 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; ⁴⁰ 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. ⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² 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. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; but whoever

wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Gospel Acclamation CP#712: *Alleluia!* (Chorus x2)

Sermon: “True Greatness” Rev. Kathy Brownlee

Hymn of Response: *The Servant King* (Graham Kendrick)

1. From heav'n You came helpless babe Enter'd our world Your glory veil'd
Not to be served but to serve And give Your life that we might live

Chorus

**This is our God the Servant King He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King**

2. There in the garden of tears My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn Yet not my will but Yours He said/**Chorus**

3. Come see His hands and His feet The scars that speak of sacrifice
Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails Surrendered/**Chorus**

4. So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving/**Chorus**

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The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say:

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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 the dead. 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. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Each Prayer will end with this response:

Presider: Lord in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer

The prayers will end as follows:

Presider: Merciful Father,

All: Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering

Presider: Our lives are blessed with the goodness that comes from God. Let us trust that goodness to sustain us and offer God our gifts with glad hearts to share with the world in need.

Offertory Hymn #801: *From Ocean unto Ocean*

Prayer of Dedication

Celebrant: Generous God, we offer our gifts to you in gratitude for all that we have received in Christ and in creation. Bless our gifts and our lives, so that we can share in the building up of your kingdom in the world you love. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Celebrant: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God. People will come from east and west, and from north and south and sit at table in the Kingdom of God. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him. This is the Lord's Table. Our Saviour invites all those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared. O taste and see that the Lord is good.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: You commanded light to shine out of darkness, divided the sea and dry land, created the vast universe and called it good. You made us in your image to live with one another in love. You gave us the breath of life and freedom to choose your way. You set forth your purpose in commandments through Moses, and called for justice in the cry of prophets. Through long generations you have been patient and kind to all your children. How wonderful are your ways, almighty God. How marvellous is your name, O Holy One. You alone are God. Therefore with apostles and prophets, and that great cloud of witnesses who live for you beyond all time and space,

All: We lift our hearts in joyful praise:

**Sung (CP#735) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and Might ,heaven and earth
are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: God of majesty and mercy, blessed is your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Sent to be our Saviour, he delivered us from sin and death, bringing us abundant life through his courage and compassion. Dying on the cross, he gave up his life so that we might live. By raising him to new life, you promise us life everlasting. Ascended to your right hand, he spreads his mercy throughout your whole creation. We thank you that on the night before he died, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread and said "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood. Do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, in remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we take this bread and this cup and give you praise and thanksgiving.

All: Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Celebrant: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon this bread and wine, that we, and all who share this feast, may be one with Christ and he with us. Here we offer ourselves to be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to you. In your mercy, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Fill us with the joy of eternal life, that we may be your faithful people until we feast with you in glory. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour are yours, Almighty God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. (1 Cor. 10:17)

When we break the bread, it is a sharing in the body of Christ.
(1 Cor. 10:16)

When we bless the cup, it is a sharing in the blood of Christ.
(1 Cor. 10:16)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Communion: *All who know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour are welcome to receive Communion. It will be administered to you, as you remain seated— first the bread, which we will all consume together after it has been distributed, then the cups, which we will also drink together.*

Communion Hymn: #543: *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee* (verses 4–7)

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Loving God, Christ our Lord, Holy Spirit,
you have nourished us, body and soul, in this meal.
We have heard your love, so send us out to speak it.

We have seen your love, so send us out to show it.
We have been fed by your love, so send us out to share it.
And let all things be done for your glory, in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Presider: 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.**

Announcements

Benediction

Presider: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord be kind and gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favour
and give you peace. And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you now and remain with you always.
Amen.

Recessional Hymn #358: *There Is a Redeemer*

Presider: Alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome!

Welcome to St. Cyprian's and Iona, as we continue our combined worship and ministry at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. After today's service, we invite everyone to join a joint fellowship time together in the Iona space.

Many Thanks!

We send our **heartfelt thanks to Rev. Martha Gordon for her three months of faithful and fruitful service** with us. **May God bless her richly** as she pursues her ministry elsewhere in the diocese.

Noon Meditation

The **Wednesday meditation continues this week** with David Rudd and others at **12 noon on:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9321564941?pwd=QmhLdDZ6ekQ2a1FLMmRWK2tXU0F0Zz09>

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Ministry Opportunities

There are **ministry opportunities** in a number of **different areas**, for which **volunteers are welcome**. To help, **please contact Rev. John or one of the St. Cyprian's wardens or Iona elders**.

Happy Birthdays

Dalton Elliot July 6
Jessima Murray July 7
Mary Nagrani July 10

Happy birthday, Happy birthday, God loves you.

Happy birthday and may all your dreams come true.

When you blow out the candles, one light stays aglow.

It's the love light of our Lord for all to know.