

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church and Iona Presbyterian Church

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

Sunday Worship by Zoom and in person 10:00 a.m.



Thanksgiving Sunday, October 12, 2025

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2897790104?pwd=gXlkCLH3aKHDxax5GSo3cm1i3GJSdW.1&omn=84547284209>

Or call: 647 374 4685 or 647 558 0588

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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.

Holy Communion (BAS) **Hymns are from *Common Praise***

Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Opening Sentence: "Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy." (Psalm 126:6)

Processional Hymn #399: *Now Thank We All Our God*

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.**

Presider: Almighty God,

All: **To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison

Presider: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Presider: Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Let us pray.

Creator of the fruitful earth,
you made us stewards of all things.
Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness,
and steadfast wills to use your bounty well,
that the whole human family,
today and in generations to come,
may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Philippians 4:4–9 – Marcus Berger

Reader: The first reading is taken from the fourth chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians, beginning at the fourth verse.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 121

Presider: 1. I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?

**People: 2. My help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

Presider: 3. He will not let your foot be moved
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

**People: 4. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep;**

Presider: 5. The Lord himself watches over you;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

**People: 6. So that the sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

Presider: 7. The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;
it is he who shall keep you safe.

**People: 8. The Lord shall watch over your going out and
your coming in, from this time forth for evermore.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Be present, merciful God, and protect us in times of danger,
so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of
this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gradual Hymn #405: *Alleluia No. 1* (vv. 1–2)

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11–19 – Hank Huang

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the seventeenth chapter of Saint Luke, beginning at the eleventh verse.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹¹ Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³ and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!”

¹⁴ When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed.

¹⁵ One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶ He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him – and he was a Samaritan.

¹⁷ Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹ Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn #405: *Alleluia No. 1* (vv. 3–4)

Sermon: “The ‘Riches’ of Gratitude” by John Oakes

Anthem: "Give Thanks" by Henry Smith, arranged by John F. Wilson

The Nicene Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith, as we say:

All: **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Let us give thanks to God our Father, always and for everything, saying, "We thank you, Lord."
For the beauty and wonder of creation,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women,
revealing the image of Christ,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For our daily food, for our homes and families and friends,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For minds to think and hearts to love,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For health, strength, and skill to work, and for leisure to rest
and play,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For those who are brave and courageous, patient in suffering
and faithful in adversity,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For all who pursue peace, justice, and truth,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: Today we give thanks especially for all those people and gifts that we now lift up to you.

People: We thank you, Lord.

Intercessor: For St. Cyprian all the saints whose lives have reflected the light of Christ,

People: We thank you, Lord.

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Dear friends in Christ. God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to this table. Let us confess our sins confident in God's forgiveness.

Presider: Most merciful God.

All: We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and forgive us that we may delight in your will. And walk in your ways to the glory of your name, Amen.

Presider: Almighty God, have mercy upon you. Pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

The Peace

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

All: And also, with you.

Offertory Hymn #262: *Come, Ye Thankful People Come*

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Source of all life,
the heaven and earth are yours,
yet you have given us dominion over all things.
Receive the symbols of our labour and love
which we offer you this day,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer 4

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Presider: It is right to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: At your command all things came to be:
the vast expanse of interstellar space,
galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,
and this fragile earth, our island home;
by your will they were created and have their being.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: From the primal elements
you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;
you made us the stewards of creation.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: But we turn against you, and betray your trust;

and we turn against one another.
Again and again you call us to return.
Through the prophets and sages
you reveal your righteous law.
In the fullness of time you sent your Son,
born of a woman, to be our Saviour.
He was wounded for our transgressions,
and bruised for our iniquities.
By his death he opened to us
the way of freedom and peace.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Therefore we praise you,
joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
and with those in every generation
who have looked to you in hope,
to proclaim with them your glory,
in their unending hymn:

**All (sung): Holy, holy, holy Lord,
(#735) 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.**

Presider: Blessed are you, Lord our God,
for sending us Jesus, the Christ,
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread, said the blessing,
broke the bread, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Take this, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.”
In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup of wine;
he 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
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Gracious God,
we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ,
we proclaim his resurrection and ascension,
and we look with expectation for his coming
as Lord of all the nations.
We who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the Spirit,
now bring you these gifts.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this offering of your Church,
that we who eat and drink at this holy table
may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth
and make it your new creation.
Gather your Church together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
where peace and justice are revealed,
that we, with all your people,
of every language, race, and nation,
may share the banquet you have promised;
through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
all honour and glory are yours,

creator of all.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever. 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

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

People: Thanks be to God.

All (sung): Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
(#745)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace. Grant us peace.

Communion: *All who know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour are welcome to receive Communion. You may choose between the common or an individual cup. If you would rather not receive either, simply push out your hand. If you would like to receive a blessing, please cross your arms when you approach the Communion station.*

Communion Hymn #259: *For the Fruit of All Creation*

Prayer after Communion

Presider: God of our hope,
in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings.
Nourished in these holy mysteries
may we, with our lives,
give you continual thanks and praise.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: 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 forever and ever, Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

Presider: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn #258: *We Plough the Fields and Scatter*

Dismissal

Presider: Alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord..

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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**.

Alpha Today!

We continue **an exciting new Alpha programme today** at noon. A **free lunch** will be followed by a **video presentation on "How Can I Have Faith?"** and a time for **small group discussions**. We aim to **finish by 1:30 p.m. All welcome!**

Noon Meditation

The **Wednesday meditation meets** with David Rudd and others **at 12 noon**
on:

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

Meeting ID: 932 156 4941

Passcode: 1080

Friday Zoom Bible Study

Rev. John's **weekly Zoom Bible Study, which meets on Fridays at 7 p.m., on Zoom continues** a new series on "David: Developing a Heart for God." All are welcome to join at any time. Please let John know if you'd like to buy a copy of the Study Guide.

The link for the Zoom study is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8517044556>

Meeting ID: 851 704 4556

You can also join the meeting by phone on 647-374-4685 or 647-558-0588.

Rev. John's Book Launch and Presentation

All are invited to John's presentation and signing of copies of his new book, Reluctant Revolutionary: The Life and Legacy of Pastor Andrew Eliot (1718-1778) of Boston (Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2025) on Saturday, October 25, 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul's Bloor Street, 227 Bloor St E, Toronto, ON, M4W 1C8.

To register in advance, simply go to this link:

<https://calendar.app.google/uazaz6C3TYJqdHs67>

Refreshments will be served.

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

George Williams Oct 13

Ossie Gordon Oct 14

Leonora Ray Oct 16

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.