

Welcome to St. Timothy's

**The Second Sunday After
Pentecost**



June 7th, 2026
In-Person & Online Service at 10:00am

Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus

by Sr Ann Catherine Swailes

There is an ancient legend that identifies Veronica, who comforted Jesus on the way to Calvary, with the woman whom he healed of a haemorrhage earlier in His ministry.

Salted with grains of blood his cheek
Pearls flung from the crazy crown
That jaunts on his burning, sweat-thatched
head
Through the leering, holy-day town:

The dizzy clang of the soldiers, and the jerky
falling down
Like a broken doll in the dust, and the spit and
the slime.
And time pleats back like a robe and I gasp and
I bow
To the stench and the shame and the sting
Of other blood, in another crowd,
In another, simpler spring.
In that hidden, stagnant place, I feel the kick
and the dance
Of pattering mercy, quickening grace, my
unpractised fingers glance
At his shining, tattered face, and fast
I hold, as shielding him, lulling him then,
comfort-clothed in Jerusalem:
I stand tall, a mother at last.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: Toccata con lo Scherzo del Cuccó

(Bernardo Pasquini (1637-1710))

(Performed by Edward Connell)

Processional Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

347, The God of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love;
Jehovah, great I AM! by earth and heaven confessed:
I bow and bless the sacred Name forever blest.

The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagles' wings upborne, to heaven ascend.
I shall behold God's face; I shall God's power adore,
and sing the wonders of God's grace forevermore.

The goodly land I see with peace and plenty blest;
a land of sacred liberty, and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow with mercy crowned.

Triumphant hosts on high give thanks eternally
and "Holy, holy, holy" cry, "great Trinity!"
Hail Abraham's God and ours! One mighty hymn we raise:
all power and majesty be yours and endless praise!

(Leoni)

Opening Sentences

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria (sung)

**All: Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

(Page 3 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet.)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God,
you have assured the human family of eternal
life
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in him,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

(Please be seated)

(The children will come up to the front for the message)

Children's Message

The Proclamation of the Word

Each reading ends with the line “Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches” (as cited throughout Revelation chapters 2 and 3) to declare that the Scripture that has been read is given by the Holy Spirit for all churches yesterday, today, and for ever, not just the people to whom it was written in ancient times.

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

Then the Lord said to Abram, “Leave your country, your relatives and your father’s family. Go to the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you. I will make you famous. And you will be a blessing to others. I will bless those who bless you. I will place a curse on those who harm you. And all the people on earth will be blessed through you.”

So Abram left Haran as the Lord had told him. And Lot went with him. At this time Abram was 75 years old. Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot and everything they owned. They took all the servants they had gotten in Haran. They set out from Haran, planning to go to the land of Canaan. In time they arrived there.

Abram traveled through that land. He went as far as the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. The Canaanites were living in the land at that time. The Lord appeared to Abram. The Lord said, “I will give this land to your descendants.” So Abram built an altar there to the Lord, who had appeared to him. Then Abram traveled from Shechem to the mountain east of Bethel. And he set up his tent there. Bethel was to the west, and Ai was to the east. There Abram built another altar

to the Lord and worshiped him. After this, he traveled on toward southern Canaan.

Genesis 12: 1 – 9 (ICB)

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 33: 1 – 12

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; *

it is good for the just to sing praises.

Praise the Lord with the harp; *

play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.

Sing for him a new song; *

sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.

For the word of the Lord is right, *

and all his works are sure.

He loves righteousness and justice; *

the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.

By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, *

by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.

He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin *

and stores up the depths of the sea.

Let all the earth fear the Lord; *

let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.

For he spoke, and it came to pass; *

he commanded, and it stood fast.

The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; *

he thwarts the designs of the peoples.

But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, *
and the designs of his heart from age to age.

**Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!**

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
**as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred

years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Romans 4: 13 – 25 (NRSV)

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reader: Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation #1

(Please stand as you are able)

Alleluia, alleluia.

"This is my command,

To love each other as I have loved you."

Alleluia.

(Page 6 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)

The Gospel

(Please remain standing as you are able)

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before Jesus, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Matthew 9: 18b - 26 (NRSV)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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(Please be seated)

Homily

The Rev. Irina Dubinski

Silence is kept.

*For Rev. Irina's blog visit
<https://irinasart.ca/spiritual-reflections/>
or scan the QR code.*



(Please remain seated for the Anthem)

Anthem: ***Exsultate justi (Psalm 33)***

Exsultate justi in Domino, rectos decet collaudatio.

Confitemini Domino in cithara;

in psalterio decem chordarum psalitilli.

Cantate ei, canticum novum;

bene psalite ei in vociferatione.

Exsultate justi in Domino, rectos decet collaudatio

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise befits the upright.

Give praise to the Lord on the harp;

sing to him with the psaltery, the instrument of ten strings.

Sing to him a new song, sing to him with a great noise.

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just; praise befits the upright.

(Lodovico Viadana (1560-1627))

The Affirmation of Faith

(Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Jesus Christ said:

All: 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.

Amen.

Prayers of the People

*(Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you - stand, sit or kneel
- and respond as indicated.)*

Leader: ... Gracious God,

All: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Hear us as we pray and pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,
**All: we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours 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.**

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

The Peace

(Please stand as you are able)

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

293, Your Hands, O God, In Days of Old

Your hands, O Lord, in days of old
were strong to heal and save;
they triumphed over pain and death,
o'er darkness and the grave.
To you they went, the blind, the mute,
the palsied and the lame,
the leper set apart and shunned,
the sick with fevered frame.

And then your touch brought life and health,
gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed, with health restored,
claimed you, the Lord of light.
And so, O Lord, be near to bless,
almighty now as then,
in every street, in every home,
in every troubled friend.

O be our mighty healer still,
O Lord of life and death;
restore and strengthen, soothe and bless
with your almighty breath.
On hands that work and eyes that see,
your healing wisdom pour,
that whole and sick and weak and strong
may praise you evermore.

(St. Michael)

*If you wish to make a donation and would like to use a donation envelope, they are available at the back of the church.
All cheques should be made payable to Church of St. Timothy.*

You can also donate online through Canada Helps – just open your camera app and scan this code.



If the collection plate doesn't reach you and you have a donation, please hand it to a greeter as you leave the church.

Prayer over the Gifts

(Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: Merciful God and Father,
in Adam's fall we were born to death;
in the new Adam we are reborn to life.
In all we offer you this day
may we share a taste of your eternal kingdom.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the
Lord. Amen.**

During the **Eucharistic Prayer**, following Jesus' command to "do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19), we give thanks for creation and salvation, recall his saving death and resurrection, and pray for the Holy Spirit to sanctify both the gifts and the people.

Bells may be rung to draw attention to the **Sanctus**, moments when the Church recognises Christ's sacramental presence, echoing the awe shown when God draws near (Isaiah 6:4; Exodus 3:5), as indicated by + in the text of the prayer.

In the **Sanctus** (Holy, holy, holy) **and Benedictus** (Blessed is He) we join the song of heaven — "Holy, holy, holy" — sung by angels, saints, and all creation before God's throne (Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8) as Christ comes among us. It reminds us that church worship on earth is concurrent with that in heaven. In the **Benedictus** — "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord" (Psalm 118:26; Matthew 21:9) — we welcome Christ who once entered Jerusalem and who now comes to us in this holy meal.

The **Words of Institution** repeat Jesus' words at the Last Supper — "This is my body... this is my blood" (Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26) — the Church remembers and proclaims his self-giving love made present in this meal.

In the **Epiclesis** we pray for the Holy Spirit to come upon the bread and wine and upon us, that we may be united in Christ's Body (1 Corinthians 10:16–17; Acts 2:1–4).

(Please adopt the pose most comfortable for you - stand, sit or kneel)

Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant: May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world.

When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness.

You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first.

Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and singing: +

All (sung): Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(Page 10 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O Holy One:
when you called Israel out of slavery,
you brought them through the wilderness
into the promised land.

When your people were taken into exile
you wept with them by the river of Babylon
and carried them home.

People: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Celebrant: At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.

Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." +

After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." +

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come. Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**All: Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers.

When we are broken and cast aside,
embrace us in your love.

All: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Celebrant: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are
yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever.

All: Amen. +

Lord's Prayer: As children of one Creator, we pray the prayer Jesus taught (Matthew 6:9–13), asking for daily bread, forgiveness, and the coming of God's kingdom before sharing the bread of life.

The Lord's Prayer

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

**All (sung): 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.**

(Page 14 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)

Breaking of the Bread and Agnus Dei: *The breaking of the bread recalls the breaking of Christ's own body given for the life of the world. In the Agnus Dei, we name Christ as the Lamb of God (John 1:29), recalling the Passover lamb of Israel's deliverance (Exodus 12) and proclaiming him as our Paschal sacrifice (1 Corinthians 5:7).*

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All: **God here among us, light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

The Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God, for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei (sung by all)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Grant us peace.**

(Page 16 of The Mass of St. Timothy booklet)

*All persons are welcome to receive **Communion or a Blessing** as appropriate at our services. You may choose to receive both the bread and the wine or just the bread. Gluten free wafers are*

*available. Please ask the priest for these as you come to receive.
If you choose to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over
your chest as you stand at the altar rail.*

*If you would like to receive an **Anointing**, please proceed to the
chapel on the right where one of the anointers will meet with you.*

Communion Hymns: *(Congregational singing while seated)*

59, Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

Jesus calls us here to meet him
as, through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness,
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

Jesus calls us to his table
rooted firm in time and space,
where the church in earth and heaven
finds a common meeting place.

Share the bread and wine, his body;
share the love of which we sing;
share the feast for saints and sinners
hosted by our Lord and King.

(Jesus Calls Us, vs. 1, 2, 4)

291, O Christ, the Healer

O Christ, the healer, we have come
to pray for health, to plead for friends.
How can we fail to be restored,
when reached by love that never ends?

From every ailment flesh endures
our bodies clamour to be freed;
yet in our hearts we would confess
that wholeness is our deepest need.

How strong, O Lord, are our desires,
how weak our knowledge of ourselves!
Release in us those healing truths
unconscious pride resists or shelves.

In conflicts that destroy our health,
we diagnose the world's disease;
our common life declares our ills:
is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

Grant that we all, made one in faith,
in your community may find
the wholeness that, enriching us,
shall reach the whole of humankind.

(Angelus)

Prayer after Communion

(Please stand as you are able)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: O God, we have shared in the mysteries of the body and blood of Christ. Nourish us by this feast, that we may live the risen life and serve you faithfully in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology

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

Celebrant: 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.

All: Amen.

Community Notices

(Please be seated)

Recessional Hymn:

(Please stand as you are able)

628, O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

O love how deep, how broad, how high!

It fills the heart with ecstasy
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.

God sent no angel to our race
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame
for us, and to this lost world came.

For us he prayed, for us he taught,
for us his daily works he wrought,
by words and signs and actions, thus
still seeking not himself but us.

For us he rose from death again,
for us he went on high to reign,
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.

To God whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through the Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

(Puer Nobis Nascitur, vs 1-2, 4, 6-7)

The Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Postlude: Toccata sesta per l'organo sopra I pedali,
e senza (Girolamo Frescobaldi (1583-1643))
(Performed by Edward Connell)*

**Our worship is over
- our service begins.**



Coffee Hour

A warm welcome is extended especially to all visitors and newcomers. Please join us for coffee and refreshments in Soward Hall. Your hosts today will be Alan and Frances Flint. **Gluten free** options are available.



Altar Flower Memorial

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God by Adam and Cynthia Majewski in loving memory of their parents, Ron and Barb Winter &

Roman and Stetania Majewski.

Week of June 8th to 12th



The Office is open for in-person drop ins on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday this week from 10:00am – 3:00pm.

Please call ahead and **make an appointment** if you wish to meet with a specific member of the clergy or staff.

This Week at St. Timothy's

- *Morning Prayer with a Thought for the Day* will be broadcast online via Zoom every morning, **Monday to Friday at 9:30am.**
- *The ESL Conversation and Practice Group Potluck Lunch & Fellowship* on Tuesday, June 9th at 10:00am in Soward Hall before the Summer break.
- *Open Church Hour* every week on **Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 1:00 - 2:00pm.**
The church will be accessible for drop-in quiet prayer, and if desired, pastoral care and time with the clergy. Please use the Ridley Boulevard entrance and ring the bell for access.
- *Contemplative Art* every **Wednesday at 10:00am** in the Loft. *All materials provided. Open to all.*

- *Mid-Week Eucharist* every **Wednesday at 11:30am.**
 - *St. Andrew's Group* meets in-person in the Parlour **on Wednesdays at 12:00nn** for lunch and fellowship.
 - **Next Sunday, June 14th – *The Third Sunday After Pentecost***
 - **10:00am:** Service of Holy Eucharist with Children's Programming
 - **Immediately After the Service:** Annual Pre-Summer Indoor Picnic
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Prayer List:

Please pray with us this morning and throughout this week for the following:

The Anglican Church of Canada: Shane, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Chris, our National Indigenous Archbishop; Andrew, Riscylla and Kevin, our college of bishops; Irina, our Incumbent; Ann, our Honorary Assistant; Lutzen, our Postulant.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Compass Rose Society.

ReconciliAction Plan – June 7, 2026

Walking Together in Truth, Learning, and Hope

At St. Timothy's, the Outreach Committee has been prayerfully exploring how our parish can respond in meaningful and faithful ways to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada.

Reconciliation is not a single event or program. It is an ongoing journey of listening, learning, prayer, relationship, and action. As a parish community, we are beginning in small but thoughtful ways, seeking opportunities to deepen our understanding and strengthen our commitment to justice, healing, and respect for Indigenous Peoples. We will continue learning together and listening carefully as we discern the next steps for our parish community. We invite all members of our parish family to participate in this journey with open hearts and minds.

Our Areas of Focus

Prayer and Worship

You will notice some changes within our worship life. These may include:

- Prayers for Indigenous communities and organizations during the Prayers of the People
- Broadening our prayer circle to include ministries and agencies serving Indigenous Peoples in our city and beyond
- Introducing Indigenous poetry, reflections, and visual art where appropriate within worship and parish life
- Acknowledging and honouring Indigenous artists and writers whose work enriches our understanding and spiritual reflection

These additions are intended to help us grow in awareness, compassion, and relationship while remaining grounded in Anglican worship traditions.

Arts & Other Expressions

Arts and musical expression have long been an important part of spiritual life and storytelling.

We hope these additions will help broaden our appreciation for the diverse voices and traditions that are part of the Canadian spiritual landscape as we seek way to incorporate them within our liturgical and seasonal calendar.

Learning Together

Mapping the Ground on which we Stand

One of the most important steps toward reconciliation is education. This Fall, St. Timothy's will host this interactive, facilitated educational workshop developed by Alongside Hope.

This 2½-hour session is designed for people at all stages of learning and will:

- Explore the history and ongoing realities of Indigenous Peoples in Canada
- Encourage thoughtful conversation and reflection
- Help participants consider practical and faithful responses to the Calls to Action
- Provide a welcoming space for questions, dialogue, and shared learning

There is no fee to participate, although registration will be required due to limited seating. Dates and registration information will be announced soon.

Summer Reading & Reflection Challenge

Our popular Summer Reading Challenge returns with a special focus on truth, reconciliation, Indigenous voices, and shared understanding.

The Outreach Committee will provide a curated reading list featuring:

- Fiction and non-fiction
- Books for a variety of reading interests and age groups
- Works by Indigenous authors and storytellers
- Opportunities for family reading and discussion

Books will be available in multiple formats whenever possible, including print, e-book, and audiobook editions. Throughout the summer, we hope to offer informal opportunities for reflection and conversation as we learn together through stories, history, and lived experiences.

A Parish Service Project

Members of the Outreach Committee are also exploring a small but meaningful parish service project. Our hope is to identify an initiative that:

- Helps educate and engage the parish
- Builds awareness and understanding
- Offers practical support or partnership
- Encourages participation across generations

More information will be shared in the months ahead.

Questions or Ideas?

We welcome your thoughts, questions, and participation. If you would like to learn more, become involved, or share ideas, please reach out to the Outreach Committee.