

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA
DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER
PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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"I pray that you may have the power to
comprehend... what is the breadth and length
and height and depth, and to know the love
of Christ that surpasses knowledge ..."
- Ephesians 3: 18-19

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost July 28, 2024

Bishop: The Rt. Rev. John Stephens

Rector: The Rev. Vivian Lam

Interim Priest: The Rev. Miranda Sutherland

Honorary Priest: The Rev. Michael Chin

Deacon: The Rev. Anne Anchor

Honorary Deacon: The Rev. Lillian Elliott

Music Director: Gail Craig

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WE GATHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST IN THIS PLACE

We acknowledge with gratitude and humility that St. John's is located on land that is traditional territory of the Coast Salish People. We are grateful for the heritage of the Tsleil-Waututh, Squamish, Kwikwetlem, and Musqueam Nations. We in the Diocese of New Westminster continue to search and pray with Indigenous brothers, sisters, and friends for truth, justice, and reconciliation.

Opening Hymn: *(10am service)*

CP #442 "Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here"

Great God, your love has called us here
as we, by love, for love were made.
Your living likeness still we bear,
though marred, dishonoured, disobeyed.
We come, with all our heart and mind,
your call to hear, your love to find.

Then take the towel, and break the bread,
and humble us, and call us friends.
Suffer and serve till all are fed,
and show how grandly love intends
to work till all creation sings,
to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

Great God, in Christ you set us free,
your life to live, your joy to share.
Give your Spirit's liberty
to turn from guilt and dull despair
and offer all that faith can do,
while love is making all things new.

Welcome and Announcements

(we sit)

Memories of Coming to St. John's

David Gordon *(10:00a.m.)*

Greeting *(we stand)*
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: As we gather on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish Nations, let us pray that the Spirit's reconciling love will be with us.

~ Silence ~

Celebrant: Almighty God,
People: **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.**

Collect of the Day: *(said by all)*
O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Children's Talk *(10am service)* *(we sit)*

WE PROCLAIM AND DISCERN THE LIVING WORD

First Scripture Reading: *(we sit)*
2 Samuel 11:1-15

Psalm 14 *(said by all responsively)*

1 Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." *
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, *
**to see if there is any who is wise, if there is anyone who seeks
after God.**
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; *
there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers *
**who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the
Lord?**
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, *
because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, *
but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! *
**When the Lord restores the fortunes of this people, Jacob
will rejoice and Israel be glad.**

Together we pray...

**God of wisdom and love, without you neither truth nor holiness
can survive. Show your mighty presence among us, and make us
glad in proclaiming your deliverance in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Second Scripture Reading:

Ephesians 3:14-21

(we sit)

Gradual Hymn:

CP #567 "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm restrains the restless wave,
Who bids the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed bounds to keep;
We cry, O God of majesty,

For those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, whose voice the waters heard
And hushed their raging at your word,
Who walked across the surging deep,
And in the storm lay calm and in sleep;
We cry, O Lord of Galilee,
For those in peril on the sea.

Creator Spirit, by whose breath were fashioned
Sea and sky and earth,
Who made the stormy chaos cease
And gave us light and light and peace:
We cry, O Spirit strong and free,
For those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and power,
Preserve their lives danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, flood, and flane,
Protect them by your holy name,
And to your glory let there be
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

The Gospel

(we stand)

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Deacon: The Good News of Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel: John 6:1-21

Deacon: The Good News of Christ!

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Miranda Sutherland

(we sit)

~ Silence ~

Our Statement of Faith

The Shema – Hear, O Israel

(said by all)

**Hear, O Israel, 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.**

The Prayers of the People

(we kneel, stand or sit)

The 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 ~

People: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God, in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by our Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life to the honour and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

We Share the Peace of Christ

(we stand)

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

People: **And also with you.**

(From ancient times, the Christian custom has been to greet each other as a sign of the peace we share through Christ. As Jesus said, “Blessed are the peacemakers”)

WE CELEBRATE GOD WITH US IN HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn: *(10am service)* *(we stand)*
CP #607 “Come, Let Us to the Lord Our God” (verse 1-4)

*(We collect people’s contributions to the ministry & mission of St. John’s.
We encourage you to give online as possible at stja.ca/supporting-st-johns)*

Come, let us to the Lord our God
With contrite hearts return.
Our God is gracious,
Nor will leave the desolate to mourn.

His voice commands the tempest forth
And stills the stormy wave;
And though his arm be strong to smite,
Tis also strong to save.

Long hath the night of sorrow reigned;
The dawn shall bring us light.
God shall appear and we shall rise
With gladness in his sight.

Our hearts, if God we seek to know,
Shall know him, and rejoice;
His coming like the morn shall be,
Like morning songs his voice.

Prayer over the Gifts: *(said by all)*
**God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward
the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(we kneel, stand, or sit)

Eucharistic Prayer

BAS #4

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: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant: 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: **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: 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.**

The Lord’s Prayer

(said by all)

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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

(All who are drawn to Christ are welcome to receive: if you are baptized, we invite you to receive Communion; if you are not baptized, we invite you to receive a blessing.)

(Since the Eucharist is a corporate spiritual practice, please maintain a receptive and quiet attitude as others are receiving Communion. Treat this time as part of your Eucharistic meditation.)

(Wine is offered for those comfortable receiving it. Note: intinction [dipping the bread in wine] is not permitted in our Diocese. You are welcome to receive the bread alone if you wish, and to bring the bread back to your seat before consuming)

WE ARE SENT OUT AS BEARERS OF NEW LIFE

Prayer after Communion

(we stand) (said by all)

God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.. 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

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit and the blessing of the Triune God be with you this week and for evermore. **Amen**

Recessional Hymn:*(10am service)*

(we stand)

CP # 584 “The Church of Christ in Every Age” *(verses 1, 2, 5)*

The church of Christ in every age,
beset by change but Spirit-led,
must claim and test its heritage
and keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street,
the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat,
and never live until they die.

We have no mission but to serve
in full obedience to our Lord:
to care for all, without reserve,
and spread his liberating word.

Dismissal

(we stand)

Response: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!



CLERGY CORNER



THE GREAT COMMISSION is given to the children of God to help in bringing in the kingdom. We thank God for our grandparents, parents, relatives, friends, Sunday School Teachers and Priests who ministered to us in the past. Here we are now worshipping God. We too are commissioned to play our part to help others to make it in the sheepfold. Some of you may find the following ways that you can share the Good News and extend and invitation. As you minister in your own way, please be assured of the prayers of the Church. Here are some examples, to start a invitation conversation:

- 1) General Invitation: "Hey_____, I'd love for you to join me at my church this Sunday. We have a great community, and I think you'd really enjoy it!"
- 2) Know and Tell - Highlight Community and Activities - "Our church is hosting a community event this weekend. There will be food, fun activities, and great company. Would you like to come along?"
- 3) You have loads of Experiences - Share Positive Experiences: "I've been attending St. John the Divine for many years now and it's been such a positive experience for me. The messages are uplifting, and the people are really welcoming. Would you be interested in checking it out with me?"
- 4) Incorporate Church Activities: "We have a small group meeting this week, and it's a great way to get to know people and discuss life and faith. Would you like to come?"
- 5) Know and Tell - Mention Special Events: "We have a special service coming up with an amazing guest speaker/music performance. I thought you might enjoy it. Would you like to come?"
- 6) Casual Invitation: "I go to this really nice church and thought you might enjoy it too. Want to come with me this or another Sunday?" (They will ask for the name of the church and then you continue the conversation.
- 7) Follow Up: "I mentioned my church to you a while back. I was wondering if you'd still be interested in joining me for a service sometime?"

- 8) Offer Assistance: "If you're interested, I can give you a ride to church this Sunday or whenever you are ready. It would be great to have you there!"

The Great Commission – Matthew 28:16-20

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Have a blessed Week

Mother Miranda

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Thank you for taking the time to worship with us today.

If you have a request for intercession for the weekly service, please e-mail deacon@stja.ca

We invite you to become involved in our Prayer Circle. To become involved or to add a prayer request please e-mail prayer@stja.ca

All are welcome to join our Tuesday Evening Prayer Group via Zoom. You can find the link on www.stja.ca 'This Week's Worship & Programs + zoom links'

Next Week Reminders...

- *Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost readings are:
2 SAMUEL 11:26-12:13A; PSALM 51:1-13;
EPHESIANS 4:1-16; JOHN 6:24-35*

Please remember to check our E-Postle!

*The flowers at the Altar today are offered to the glory of God in
memory of Joan Baldwin by the estate of Sue Hall.*

Thank you to those who assisted with the Services today:

*Altar Guild: Debora Jones-Akiyama, Grace Liew, Josephine Thien
Counters: Jan Gordon, Ron Lou-Hing*

8:30 am Service

*Intercessor & Coffee Hour: Ferne Malcolm
Reader & Lay Assistant: Sharon Cooper*

10:00 am Service

*Ushers: May Chin, Lynne Milner
Music: Gail Craig, The Choir
Reader: David Gordon
Intercessor: Jan Gordon
Lay Assistants: David Gordon, Ron Lou-Hing
Tech Team: Matthew Savage, Roger Stock
Coffee Hour: Pronella Daniel, Rosemary Morrissey*

New here? Scan to connect with us...



Welcome to St. John's!

Sunday Blessings To You!

Wishing you a blessed, happy,
and successful week ahead!

