

St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church,

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021

"My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me." *John 10.27*

Welcome

The Parish of St. Mary the Virgin is a member of the Diocese of British Columbia and the Anglican Church of Canada. We are an inclusive and welcoming parish: the sacraments of the church (baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we. As a parish we acknowledge with gratitude that we live, work and play on the traditional lands of the Lekwungen speaking people. We commit ourselves, as a settler church and people, to continue with our First Nations hosts on the journey of truth-telling, healing, and reconciliation

VISITORS *Welcome!* We are delighted that you have joined us for worship.

COMMUNION All are invited to receive communion. For your safety, only the bread will be shared. Be assured that in the Anglican Church of Canada it has always been our tradition that receiving only one of the elements is considered full Communion.

Gluten free wafers for communion are available. Please request it from the person who is distributing the bread.



FLOWER DEDICATIONS

in Memory or Celebration To make arrangements contact: Anne Underhill – **250-370-5027**

10:00am Service

From the Book of Alternative Services

Presider & Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Craig Hiebert

Pianist: Pamela Whiston

Greeters: Chris Moeckl, Mary Huxley

Musicians: Bob Gill, Dorothy Cook

Live Stream Managers: Barry Whiston

Note: in the service order, words set in **bold italic type** are said by the congregation.

Congregational singing is now permitted while wearing a mask indoors, with or without outdoors this is in order to maintain the safety of all.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

PRELUDE & PROCESSION Adagio cantabile from Sonata Op. 13 (Pathétique), L. van Beethoven

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Invitatory Psalm 95.1-7

Come, sing to the Holy One!

Shout for joy to the Rock who defends us!

Come into the Presence with thanksgiving!

Raise our voices in joyful hymns!

Truly the Holy One is a great God, supreme above all gods, in whose hands are the ends of the earth and the heights of all the mountains.

The sea belongs to God who made it, whose hands formed the dry land.

Come, worship and bow down; kneel in the presence of our Creator.

Truly, truly, our God is the Holy One, whose people we are, all in God's pasture.

CENTRING STILLNESS

Let us hold this moment open to the Spirit of God.

Silence is kept.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Holy God of Israel, draw us near to you, so that, in place of hostility, there may be peace; in place of loneliness, compassion; in place of aimlessness, direction; and in place of sickness, healing; through Christ Jesus, in whom you draw near to us. Amen.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

Ephesians 2. 11-22, Pauline Samoszynski

¹¹ So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15 He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; 18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23



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Refrain: O God is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

- O God, you are my shepherd;
 I shall not be in want.
 You make me lie down in green pastures and lead me beside still waters. R.
- You revive my soul
 and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.
 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;
 for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. R.
- 3. You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in your house, O God, for ever. **R**.

GOSPEL HYMN

- The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
 I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.
- 2. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
- 3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (520)

- 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort sill, thy cross before to guide me.
- 5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6. And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever!

Before the Gospel is read, the reader says:

God be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

53 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat.

⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

After the Gospel, the reader says:

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SERMON

ANTHEM

Inisheer, Dark Island, Lark in the clear air, Dorothy Cook

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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

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 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 FOR OURSELVES AND THE WORLD

Pauline Samoszynski

In confidence and expectation, let us bring our concerns before God: Faithful Shepherd, **hear us and guide us.**

In your prayers this week remember the following: those in need of healing and care, including Robby, Terry, Ian, Sandy, Brynn, Dorothy, Mary, Rachel, Monty, Brad and Sue; our diocese of islands and inlets and Anna, our bishop, Lynn, our Metropolitan, and Linda, our Primate; the parishes of St. Luke, Victoria and their clergy Daniel Fournier. Diocese of New Westminster and Bishop John Stephens; the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada and Bishop Susan Johnson. In the Church further afield, pray for the Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda. Pray for all of us in our communities as we seek to reverse decades of systemic discrimination. Pray for those who lost loved ones, homes and livelihoods in the fires in BC. Pray for the continued work of vaccination clinics and all health care workers, and for businesses and individuals beginning the economic recovery from the year of the pandemic. Pray for the ongoing work of truth-telling, healing, and reconciliation.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving.

In silence, we call to mind our sin.

Silence is kept

Most merciful God,

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.

The Presider reminds us of God's healing and forgiveness

PEACE

The congregation stands

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Remaining in our places, we share physically-distant signs of Peace with those around us.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

For safety, the Collection Plate has been placed at the back of the church for use as you arrive. It will be moved to the front of the church during the Offertory hymn and placed in a location where you may place your gifts as you come to receive Communion. Please also consider one of the other means of giving that do not require our volunteers and staff to handle cash and cheques: electronic donations on our website via CanadaHelps, or bi-weekly or monthly direct debit donations via our diocesan Electronic Collection Plate (details are available in a brochure at the entrance, or on the website: www.stmarysoakbay.ca/donate).

OFFERTORY HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (508)

music adapted and harmonized Ralph Vaughan Williams. © Oxford University Press

"Come unto me and rest;
lay down thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

- 2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,

 "Behold, I freely give
 the living water; thirsty one,
 stoop down and drink and live."
 I came to Jesus and I drank
 of that life-giving stream;
 my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
 and now I live in him.
- 3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "I am this dark world's light;
 look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
 and all thy day be bright."
 I looked to Jesus and I found
 in him my star, my sun;
 and in that light of life I'll walk
 till travelling days are done.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, so that we might for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen**.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The congregation remains standing, as they are able

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

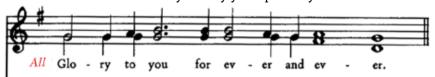
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe.



You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

Cantor: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might,

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.

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me." *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

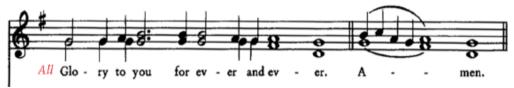
Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

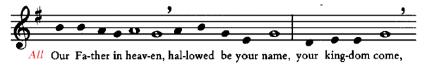
Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.



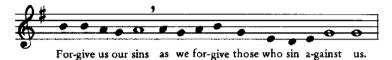
THE LORD'S PRAYER sung: BAS 918

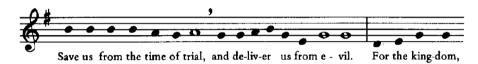
As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:





your will be done, on earth as in heav-en. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread,







Silence is held after the Lord's Prayer

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE COMMUNION

Please follow the direction of the greeters as they invite rows to receive communion. Please maintain a single flow: approach via the main aisle and return via the side aisles. If you do not wish to receive communion, but someone else in your aisle wishes to pass by you, please exit your pew temporarily to allow them to pass at a safe distance. You are also welcome to approach the presider for a blessing only—this is traditionally indicated simply by crossing your hands over your chest as you approach.

One of the ministers will bring the Bread out into the garden to serve those worshipping outside.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)

COMMUNITY NOTES

AFFIRMATION

The congregation stands

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.

BLESSING

HYMN

Fairest Lord Iesus (619)

music: Silesian trad. Arranged by James Hopkirk. Arr. © Estate of James Hopkirk

- Fairest Lord Jesus,
 ruler of all nature,
 O thou the Godhead's human son:
 thee will I cherish,
 thee will I honour,
 thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
- Fair are the meadows,
 fairer still the woodlands,
 robed in the blooming garb of spring;
 Jesus is fairer,
 Jesus is purer,
 who makes the troubled heart to sing.
- 3. Fair is the sunshine,
 fairer still the moonlight,
 and fair the twinkling, starry host;
 Jesus shines brighter,
 Jesus shines purer
 than all the angels heaven can boast.
- 4. All fairest beauty,
 heavenly and earthly,
 wondrously, Jesus, is found in thee;
 none can be nearer,
 fairer, or dearer
 than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Rondo: Allegro from Sonata Op. 13 (Pathétique), L. van Beethoven



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