



# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

*Second Sunday after Pentecost June 7, 2026*

“The Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor and release to the captives.” *Luke 4.18*

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## Welcome

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

*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 peoples. 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.*

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## 10:00am Service

*From the Book of Alternative Services*

Minister of Welcome:	Mary Huxley	Organist:	Marianne Robinson
Presider & Preacher:	The Rev'd Jacqueline Stober	Musicians:	St. Mary Singers
Eucharistic Minister:	Karen Wilson	Livestream:	Gillian Barlow
	Tony Barlow		

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

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## **THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD**

### **PRELUDE**

### **WELCOME**

### **HYMN**

*At the name of Jesus (375)*

1. At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess him King of glory now;  
'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,  
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.
2. Humbled for a season to receive a name  
from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,  
faithfully he bore it, spotless to the last,  
brought it back victorious when from death he passed.
3. Name him, Christians, name him,  
with love strong as death,  
but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;  
he is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord,  
ever to be worshipped, trusted, and adored.
4. In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue  
all that is not holy, all that is not true;  
crown him as your Saviour in temptation's hour;  
let his will enfold you in its light and power.

5. Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again,  
with his Father's glory, with his angel train;  
for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow,  
and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

## **CENTRING STILLNESS**

*Silence is kept.*

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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. Amen.*

*The congregation sits*

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## **THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED**

*A Statement on the Lectionary Readings*

*Throughout Christian history, references to “the Jews” in scripture—particularly in John and Acts—have been used to perpetuate negative stereotypes and falsely assign blame for the death of Jesus. These references gloss over significant distinctions among religious leaders, such as Pharisees, scribes, and Sadducees, and obscure the fact that Jesus and his disciples were themselves Jews. As Christians, we confess and lament the history of anti-Judaism associated with these texts. We renounce the evils of violence and discrimination against Jewish people. We strive for mutual understanding, respect, and partnership with Jewish neighbors and commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation among people of all faiths.*

## **READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Genesis 12. 1-9, Bob Gill

Now the Lord said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’

<sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup>Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup>Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, ‘To your offspring I will give this land.’ So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. <sup>8</sup>From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his

tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

Holy word, holy wisdom.

***Thanks be to God.***

**PSALM 33.1-12**



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Rejoice in God, you righteous;  
it is good for he just to sing praises.  
Praise God with the harp;  
play to the Holy One upon the psaltery and lyre.  
Sing for God a new song;  
sound a fanfare with all your  
skill upon the trumpet R.

For your work, O God is right,  
and all your works are sure.  
You love righteousness and justice;  
your loving-kindness fills the whole earth. R.

By your word, O God, were the heavens made,  
by the breath of your mouth all the heavenly hosts.  
You gather up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin  
and store up the depths of the sea. R.

Let all the earth fear you, O God;  
let all who swell in the world stand in awe of you.  
For you spoke, and it came to pass;  
you commanded, and it stood fast. R.

O God, you bring the will of the nations to naught;  
you thwart the designs of the peoples.  
But your will stands fast for ever,  
and the designs of your heart from age to age.  
Happy is the nation whose allegiance is to God;  
happy the people you have chosen to be your own! R.

**READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS**

Romans 4. 13-25, Gillian Fosdick

<sup>13</sup> 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. <sup>14</sup> If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup> 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, <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> 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.' <sup>19</sup> 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. <sup>20</sup> No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' <sup>23</sup> Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup> who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

***Thanks be to God.***

## GOSPEL HYMN

*Will You Come and Follow Me (430)*

1. Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown  
in you and you in me?
2. Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer  
in you and you in me?
3. Will you let the blinded see  
if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free  
and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean  
and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean  
in you and you in me?
4. Will you the love the "you" you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound  
in you and you in me?
5. Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
in you and you in me.

## GOSPEL

Matthew 9. 9-13, 18-26

*Before the Gospel is read, the reader says:*

God is with you.

***And also with you.***

The Good News of Jesus according to Matthew.

***Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' <sup>12</sup>But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

<sup>18</sup>While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' <sup>19</sup>And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup>Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup>for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' <sup>22</sup>Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. <sup>23</sup>When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup>he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup>But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup>And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of Christ.

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

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## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **SERMON**

### **ANTHEM**

*Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old (293)*

### **AFFIRMING OUR FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

*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**

Gillian Fosdick

*The congregation stands, sits, or kneels.*

Lord, hear us:

***and raise us up.***

In your prayers this week remember those in need of healing and care, including; Isla, Mary-Lou. In our diocese of islands and inlets pray for Anna, our Bishop; John, our Metropolitan; Chris, our National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop; and Shane, our Primate; for St Margaret of Scotland, Galiano Island; pray for the Diocese of Caledonia, and Bishop David Lehmann. In the Church further afield, pray for The Scottish Episcopal Church. Pray for the Staff of the Canadian College of Performing Arts, and for the teachers of the Oak Bay Preschool.

## **PEACE**

*The congregation stands*

The peace of the Lord be always with you. Alleluia!

***And also with you. Alleluia!***

*Remaining in our places, we share signs of Peace with those around us.*

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## **THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED**

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## OFFERTORY

*Praise to the Lord, The Almighty (384)*

1. Praise to the Lord,  
the Almighty, the King of creation;  
O my soul, praise him,  
for he is thy health and salvation:  
    all ye who hear,  
brothers and sisters draw near,  
praise him in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord,  
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings,  
yea, so gently sustaineth:  
    hast thou not seen  
how thy entreaties have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord,  
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness and mercy  
here daily attend thee:  
    ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
if with his love he befriend thee.
4. Praise to the Lord,  
who, when tempests their warfare  
    are waging,  
who, when the elements madly  
around thee are raging,  
biddeth them cease,  
turneth their fury to peace,  
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.
5. Praise to the Lord,  
who when darkness of sin is abounding,  
who when the godless do triumph,  
all virtue confounding,  
    sheddeth his light,  
chaseth the horrors of night,  
saints with his mercy surrounding.
6. Praise to the Lord!  
O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath  
come now with praises before him!  
    Let the Amen  
sound from his people again:  
gladly for aye we adore him.

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*The Book of Alternative Services, Eucharistic Prayer 1*

*The congregation remains standing, as they are able*

The Lord is 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.***

*The prayer continues until:*

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*sung (735)*

***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. Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.***

*The prayer continues until*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

*The prayer continues until*

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

***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.***

*Silence is held*

## 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

*All are invited to receive Communion.*

*The sacrament will be offered in both kinds (bread and the common cup) but 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.*

*If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are also welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. This is signified by folding your hands across your chest as you approach the presider.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

*O Praise Ye the Lord (330)*

1. O praise ye the Lord!  
Give praise in the height;  
rejoice in God's Word, ye angels of light;  
ye heavens, adore him by whom  
    ye were made,  
and worship before him, in brightness  
arrayed.
2. O praise ye the Lord!  
Give praise upon earth;  
in tuneful accord, give thanks  
    for new birth;  
praise God who hath brought you all  
    grace from above, praise God who hath  
taught you the pathways of love.

3. O praise ye the Lord,  
all things that give sound;  
each jubilant chord re-echo around;  
loud organs, God's glory proclaim  
    in deep tone,  
and sweet harp, the story of what  
God hath done.

4. O praise ye the Lord!  
Thanksgiving and song  
be ever outpoured all ages along;  
for love in creation, for heaven restored,  
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

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## **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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.**

### **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### **GLORY TO GOD**

*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**

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing (306)*

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace.
2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health, and peace.
3. He speaks, and, listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive,  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.
4. Hear him, ye deaf, ye voiceless ones,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Saviour come,  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!
5. My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honours of thy name.

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**POSTLUDE**

*The musical postlude is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for our encounter with God's Word as it has been experienced this day. You are invited to use this time for reflection, remaining seated.*



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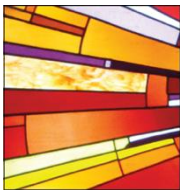
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