

Morning Prayer – Friday, July 17, 2020 - St. George’s Anglican Church, Cadboro Bay  
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### Opening

Let all who desire wisdom walk in love.

### Prayer

Holy Lord, giver of all wisdom: Set for us this day the banquet of your word; invite us to feast on the genius and beauty all around us. Then, turn us in humility toward the poor, the oppressed and the weak; we ask this in the name of Jesus, who is Wisdom for ever and ever. Amen

### Affirmation

We believe in God, the creator of all life and beauty, who blesses our journey.

We believe in Jesus Christ, who lived as a friend and savior to all he met as he traveled, and who ate and laughed, wept and celebrated with them in love.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who rides on the gentle breeze, who strengthens our bindings, and who offers hope eternal.

We believe in the Church, which stands open to all travelers, and bears witness to the everlasting love of God.

### Scripture – Romans 2:1-4 (Contemporary English Version – CEV)

Some of you accuse others of doing wrong. But there is no excuse for what you do. When you judge others, you condemn yourselves, because you are guilty of doing the very same things. We know that God is right to judge everyone who behaves in this way. Do you really think God won’t punish you, when you behave exactly like the people you accuse? You surely don’t think much of God’s wonderful goodness or of his patience and willingness to put up with you. Don’t you know that the reason God is good to you is because he wants you to turn to him?

*(Be still and aware)*

### Poem – “The Divine Image” by William Blake

To Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love,  
All pray in their distress:  
And to these virtues of delight  
Return their thankfulness.

For Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love,  
Is God, our father dear:  
And Mercy, Pity, Peace, and Love,  
Is Man, his child and care.

For Mercy has a human heart,  
Pity, a human face:  
And Love, the human form divine,  
And Peace, the human dress.

Then every man of every clime,  
That prays in his distress,  
Prays to the human form divine,  
Love, Mercy, Pity, Peace.

And all must love the human form,  
In heathen, Turk, or Jew.  
Where Mercy, Love, & Pity dwell,  
There God is dwelling too.

### **Prayers**

As we turn to the tasks before us this day,  
Fill us, gracious Lord.

In making faithful choices, great and small,  
Guide us, gracious Lord.

As we seek to notice and serve those in need,  
Teach us, gracious Lord.

### ***PRAYERS FOR OTHERS, THE WORLD, AND ONESELF***

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.

### **Prayer**

As we offer our lives to you,  
Hear us, gracious Lord.

With our hearts ready to serve,  
Accompany us, gracious Lord.

Holy God, you are always with us.  
Open our eyes to your presence.

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