



# St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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# November 15, 2020 Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

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### **WELCOME**

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. There are candles in the Chapel for those who wish to light one and say a prayer at any time before and during the service. We ask that you please turn all cell phones and other electronic devces off or to "silent".

Please note that there should only be one person present in the Chapel area at a time.

Thank you.

St John's North Vancouver Parish recognizes we are on the unceded Coast Salish territories within the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations.

### **Announcements**

# The Preparation

Presider Lord, open our lips,

All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Presider O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be for ever. Amen.

Alleluia!

# The Invitatory - Jubilate

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \* serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

### The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 123

To you I lift up my eyes,\* to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, \* so our eyes look to you, O Lord our God, until you show us your mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, \* for we have had more than enough of contempt,

too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \* and of the derision of the proud.

### The First Reading

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.

For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All Thanks be to God.

### Music

Sung by a choir member

### The Gospel

All stand for the reading of the Gospel.

Presider The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the



talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Matthew 25:14-30

Presider The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Sermon** The Reverend Patrick Blaney

Time for Reflection

# 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.

# Intercessions and Thanksgivings

**Music** Sung by a choir member

The Collect

Presider

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith,

that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before,

we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

Presider As Our Saviour Christ taught us we are bold to say:

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.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

Amen.

Blessing

Dismissal

Presider Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.