St. John the Divine Anglican Church



Sunday August 9th, 2020 10th Sunday of Pentecost

Service of the Word

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Take a deep breath. And again.

The Gathering of the Community

Leader The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

be with you all

All: And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

All We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's

Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing.

Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past,

and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Leader Dear friends in Christ,

as we turn our hearts and minds

to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

All 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.

Leader Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,

that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Leader May the Peace of God be with you.

All And also with you.

Act of Praise: Let All Creation Bless the Lord

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The Collect of the Day

FWM Proposed Prayers alt.

Ever-faithful One, you answer the cries of all who call upon your name. Give us grace to trust in you, so that we may walk faithfully amidst the storms of life; through Jesus the Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 37:1-4,12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan." So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" - that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming

from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45C

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Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvellous works.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,

O offspring of Abraham his servant, **O children of Jacob his chosen**.

Then he called for a famine in the land and destroyed the supply of bread.

He sent a man before them, **Joseph, who was sold as a slave.**

They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar.

Until his prediction came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him.

The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free.

He set him as master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions,

To instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom.

Second Reading: Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Acclamation: Alleluia

sung through 4 times

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Sermon

The Apostle's Creed

Leader Let us confess our faith 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

The Prayers of the People

As we enter into a time of prayer, let us pause and remember that we are God's people; that we are accepted and strengthened, encouraged and blessed through our faith.

Let us pray,

Holy God, we give thanks for this day and for this time together.

We give thanks for your love which created us, for your presence that enriches us and for your Spirit that bonds us to others.

We give you thanks for the beauty of creation, for the mysteries that it holds and all the ways in which it renews us.

We are so blessed. Guide us we pray to share our blessings abundantly.

We hold before you the people of Beirut, Lebanon as they make their way forward in the aftermath of this week's catastrophic explosions. We pray for those who have died, those who are injured, those who are missing and for all who mourn. We pray that those in power will lead with compassion and integrity and that all people will be justly cared for.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

We hold before you all who are hungry; all who are stressed and facing challenging times; all who are living in violence; all who are living with addictions; all who are facing illness and uncertainty; and for all whose needs are known to you alone. May they find peace.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

We hold before you our Indigenous brothers and sisters who live in communities without access to clean water and adequate medical support and supplies. Help us to use our voices to bring justice to all communities and all people.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

We pray for all who face discrimination, for all who are bullied and for all who are wrongly convicted. May we use our privilege to bring about change and reform.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

We pray for the earth and all of the creatures that are dying, for the species that have vanished and for the complex habitats that struggle to survive. May we learn the ways of care and responsibility, so that balance may be restored to the earth.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers. We lift up to you Debbie, Muriel, Elizabeth, Susan, Eleanor, Lori, Tyler, The Howe Sound Women's Centre, the Elders of Squamish Nation, the residents of Hilltop House, the residents of Shannon Falls and the patients of Squamish General Hospital.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

In this time of COVID-19, we pray for all who are sick, for all who are grieving, for health care professionals, researchers and emergency personnel. May we be kind, caring and patient with one another.

God hear our prayer, and in your love answer.

Source and Spirit of our lives, may we respond boldly to the call for justice, for love, and for joy. This is our prayer, prayed in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING



Text: 87 87 with refrain; attr. to Robert Lowry, 1826–1899, alt.; verse 3, Doris Plenn. Music: Quaker Hymn; attr. to Robert Lowry.

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Leader

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

ΑII

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

Leader

Glory to God

Αll

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, forever and ever. Amen

Leader

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the

Holy Spirit.

ΑII

Amen.

St. John the Divine Prayers for August 9th, 2020

The Church

St. Mary, Kerrisdale – The Reverend Lindsay Hills, The Reverend Christine

Rowe,

- St. Mary the Virgin, South Hill The Reverend Expedito Farinas
- St. Mary the Virgin, Sapperton The Reverend Armin Amayag
- St. John the Divine, Squamish- The Reverend Cameron Gutjahr

Immediate Prayer Requests

Debbie Fryers, Muriel, Elizabeth, Susan, Eleanor, Lori, Tyler, The Howe Sound Women's Centre, the residents of Hilltop House, the residents of Shannon Falls and the patients of Squamish General Hospital.

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Summer Reflection

By Karen Brumpton

During the Covid pandemic I have been enjoying Nature & its wonders. I walk the dog early in the morning and very seldom, if ever see another person. I have watched the trees develop a green haze which has turned into their green leaves – soon they will start to turn colour. I've watched the ferns poke up through the ground & unfold their lacey fronds. Various flowers have waxed and waned. The bird song is wonderful. The flicker must have found its mate as it stopped its pecking on light posts so to announce its availability. The scents from the flowers in the gardens I pass has been magnificent. On occasion squirrels gambol across the road and on one magnificent occasion I looked into the woods and saw a deer looking back at me. We acknowledged each other's presence and I carried on. (Fortunately the dog was occupied with a good smell & never noticed). These are all God's glories and help keep me grounded.

Karen Brumpton