

ST. PAUL ANGLICAN CHURCH NANAIMO
REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY
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Meeting on the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation

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SERVICE OF THE WORD – 9 AM ZOOM

*This liturgy is based on the
Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Alternative Services***

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

*We commit ourselves to working together in a spirit of reconciliation as we worship and serve on the
traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation.*

Presider/Preacher: The Ven. Clara Plamondon

Liturgical Assistant: John Browne

WELCOME:

Gathering

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.

L.A.: Almighty God,

**to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are
hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy
Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CANTICLE 4 – Song of Good News

Isaiah 40:9-11

Go up to a high mountain, *
O Zion, herald of joy;
lift up your voice in strength, *
Jerusalem, herald of joy;

Lift it up, fear not; *
say to the cities of Judah:
"Behold your God!

Behold, the Lord comes in might, *
comes to rule with his mighty arm;
behold, his reward is with him, *
his recompense before him.

Like a shepherd will he feed his flock, *
gathering the lambs in his arms;
he will hold them to his breast *
and gently lead those with young."

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24

John Browne

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 100

Liturgical Assistant

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

2 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.

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

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

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.

POEM by Jan Richardson

You Who Bless

You
who are
yourselves
a blessing

who know
that to feed
the hungry
is to bless

and to give drink
to those who thirst
is to bless

who know
the blessing
in welcoming
the stranger

and giving clothes
to those
who have none

who know
to care
for the sick
is blessing

and blessing
to visit
the prisoner:

may the blessing
you have offered
now turn itself
toward you

to welcome
and to embrace you
at the feast
of the blessed.

(Source: <http://paintedprayerbook.com/2011/11/15/you-who-bless/>)

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

The Ven. Clara Plamondon

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON:

The Ven. Clara Plamondon

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Les Annesley

(As we remain in God's presence, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy.")

For the whole People of God, that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our families and friends, that the Lord will give them joy and satisfaction in all that they do, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true growth and well-being, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

APOSTLES CREED

L.A.: 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.

THE PEACE:

(During the peace, you are invited to offer words of peace, a nod of the head, a wave or a bow to those around you)

The peace of God be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

In thanksgiving for the gifts that we offer to the glory of God and for our ongoing ministry as a parish, let us pray:

Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING:

DISMISSAL:

L.A.: Let us seek Christ in all people,
We go to love and serve our neighbours as ourselves.