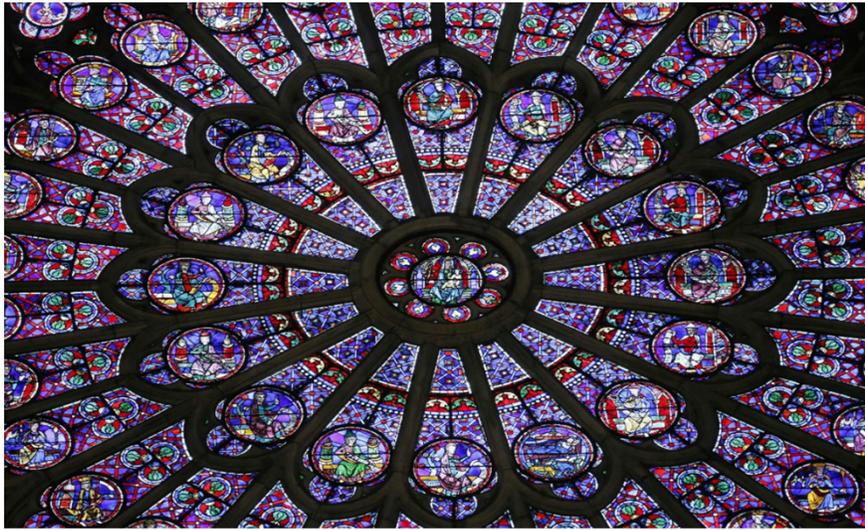


Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021

10 am Service



President: Rev Sharon Smith
Music: Rob Gloor
Gordon Lee
Bruce Metzler
Robb Watt
Greeters: Bob Paxton
Tony Dodd
Coffee: Penny Zuk,
Julia Hadrill &
Elizabeth Barratt
Reader 1: Melanie Hackett
Reader 2: Tony Dodd
Intercessor: Heather Luccock
Altar Guild: Bonnie Grundy
Livestream: Armin

Gathering of the Community *(By Tim Graves)*

Presider: We gather on the unceded land of the Coast Salish peoples. These lands and waters, the creatures and plants have cared for and been cared for by Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh people from time immemorial. We commit ourselves to seek just and right relationship with them.

Presider: Open our minds.

All: May they be fertile soil for your word and ways.

Presider: Open our hearts.

All: May they be filled with love of neighbor & a passion for justice..

Presider: Open our hands.

All: That we use them to build a world of compassion & hope. Amen

Gathering Hymn: For the Healing of the Nations

For the healing of the nations,
God, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords,
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us, Father, into freedom;
from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice,
may we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written
your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness,
bring the life of Christ to mind;
that by our response and service
earth its destiny may find.

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus
Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Gloria:

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Prayer of the Day:

(Book of Alternative Services)

Presider:

Holy One,

All:

**you have made us for
yourself, and our
hearts are restless
until they find their
rest in you.**

**May we find peace in
your service,
through Jesus the
Christ, Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

After the gruelling contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal, Elijah wins the contest in the name of God, and afterward orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, the Queen threatens Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in despair.

[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."

He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.



Volterra, Daniele da, ca. 1509-1566

Psalm 34:1-8 (*Inclusive Psalter*)

Presider: I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my
mouth.

**People: I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Presider: Proclaim with me the greatness of
the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

**People: I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my
terrors.**

Presider: Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**People: I called in my affliction, and the LORD
heard me and saved me from
all my troubles.**

Presider: The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear the LORD and
delivers them.

**People: Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in
God!
Amen**

**Second Reading: From Women Who Run
with the Wolves** *by Clarissa Pinkola Estés*

I'll tell you right now, the doors to the world of the wild Self are few but precious. If you have a deep scar, that is a door, if you have an old, old story, that is a door. If you love the sky and the water so much you almost cannot bear it, that is a door. If you yearn for a deeper life, a full life, a sane life, that is a door.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn: The Love of Jesus Calls Us

The love Jesus call us
our joyous praise to sing;
our deeply felt thanksgivings
we now together bring,
for all God's many blessings,
unmasked yet still received,
and for the generations
who faithfully believed.

The love of Jesus call us,
that we may always be
companions on a journey,
where all the world may see
that serving Christ is freedom
which time does not destroy;
where Christ's command is duty,
and every duty joy.

The love of Jesus calls us
to go where he would go,
to challenge all their limits,
to change, to learn, to grow,
to know that Christ has freed us,
that prisons are no more;
for those who seek his kingdom,
Christ opens every door.

Gospel Reading: John 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?” Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, ‘

And they shall all be taught by God.’
Everyone who has heard and learned from
the Father comes to me. Not that anyone
has seen the Father except the one who is
from God; he has seen the Father. Very
truly, I tell you, whoever believes has
eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your
ancestors ate the manna in the
wilderness, and they died. This is the
bread that comes down from heaven, so
that one may eat of it and not die. I am
the living bread that came down from
heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will
live forever; and the bread that I will give
for the life of the world is my flesh.”

Presider: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ.**

Gospel Hymn *(continued)*

The love Jesus calls us,
in swiftly changing days,
to be God's co-creators
in new and wondrous ways;
that God with men and women
may so transform the earth,
that love and peace and justice
may give God's kingdom birth.

Homily – Rev Sharon Smith

Reflective silence follows

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Moses said,

**All: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God,
 the Lord is one.**

Presider: And Jesus affirmed:

All: Love the Lord your God with
all your heart, with all your
soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.
This is the first and the great
commandment, the second is like
it: Love your neighbor as
yourself. There is no
commandment greater
than these.

All: Spirit of God, search our hearts.

Prayers of the People

Confession

*(Adapted from the Book of Alternative
Service)*

Presider: Let us in silence remember our
own faults and failings.

Reflective silence follows.



Confession:

Presider: In the community of Christ's
Church and in the presence of all
God's people:

**All: We confess to God that we have
sinned in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved God, cared for
God's world, or respected God's
people as we should. We own our
responsibility and pray for God's
pardon.**

Presider: May God forgive us, Christ befriend
us, and the Spirit renew and change
our lives. Amen.

The Passing of the Peace

(Iona Community Worship Book, 2017)

Presider: Friends not an easy peace,
not a conditional peace,
not a half-hearted peace,
But the peace of the Risen Christ
be always with you.

People: And also with you

*The community, standing at our seats,
greet one another saying or gesturing:
'Peace be with you'.*

**The Preparation of the Table:
Here in This Place**

Here in this place new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away,
see in this space our fears and our
dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this
day.

Gather us in – the lost and forsaken,
gather us in – the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young – our lives are a mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face,
we have been sung throughout all of
history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in – the rich and the haughty,
gather us in – the proud and the strong;
give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth,
here you shall call your sons and your
daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away,
but here in this place the new light is
shining,
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us for ever,
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in – all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Invocation before communion

(By Tim Graves, Liturgy Bits)

Presider: Come to the Table.

People: We come to the Table.

Presider: Share yourselves.

**People: We come to share our whole
selves.**

Presider: Share your gifts.

**People: We come to the Table to share
our gifts, our hurts, & our
uncertainty.**

Presider: Come. Christ calls you.

All: Amen

The Eucharistic Prayer:

*(Preface: A Wee Worship Book, Wild
Goose Resource)*

*Eucharistic Prayer: Evangelical Lutheran
Worship, #10)*

Presider: May God be with you

People: And also with you

Presider: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up

Presider: Let us give thanks to God our
Creator

**People: It is right to give our thanks and
praise**

Presider: Yes, it is right to give you thanks
and praise for the life you lived
among us.

Speaking our language, learning
our ways,

Sitting at our tables,

Listening to our complaints,

And never giving up on us,
never giving up on us.

So we gladly celebrate your
life as in concert with the
church in heaven and earth
we join the song of your
unending praise.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the name
of The Lord. Hosana in the highest.**

Presider: O God most mighty,
O God most merciful,
O God our rock and our salvation,
hear us as we praise,
call us to your table,
grant us your life.

Presider: When the earth was a formless
void,
you formed order and beauty.
When Abraham and Sarah were
barren,
you sent them a child;
When the Israelites were enslaved,
you led them to freedom.

Presider: Ruth faced starvation, David fought
Goliath,
and the psalmists cried out for
healing,
and full of compassion, you granted
the people your life.
You entered our sorrows in Jesus our
brother.
He was born among the poor,
he lived under oppression,
he wept over the city.
With infinite love,
he granted the people your life.

In the night in which he was
betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave
thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given
for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Presider: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Presider: Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

People: Amen

Presider: Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

People: Amen

Presider: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.

People: Amen

Presider: O God, you are

Breath:

**All: send your Spirit on
this meal.**

Presider: O God, you are Bread:

All: feed us with yourself.

Presider: O God, you are wine:

**All: warm our hearts and
make us one.**

Presider: O God, you are Fire:

**All: transform us with
hope.**

Presider: O God most majestic,
O God most motherly,
O God our strength
and our song,

**All: you show us a vision
of a tree of life
with fruits for all and
leaves that
heal the nations.**

Presider: Grant us such life,
the life of the Father to the
Son,
the life of the Spirit of our
risen Savior,
life in you, now and forever.
Amen.

Presider: And now as our Saviour
taught us, let us pray in the
language of our hearts:

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. 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.

Fraction (Breaking of Bread):

Presider: As Jesus broke bread,
People: **We break bread.**
Presider: As Jesus shared wine,
People: **We share this cup.**

Invitation to the Table:

Presider: Friends, these are the gifts of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion:

All people are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Wafers). Gluten free wafer are available upon request.

Please wear your mask and sanitize your hands before receiving. We ask that you wait until you have returned to your seat before removing your mask and consuming the wafer.

While the communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence.

Communion Music: **As we Gather at Your Table**

As we gather at your table,
as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence;
let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story
till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet
how to make Love's victory known.

Turn our worship into witness
in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you,
bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion
to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image
in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon
other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will
welcome
those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us,
nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels
to repeat the sounding joy.

Prayer after Communion

(Iona Abbey Worship Book, 2016)

Presider: Give thanks for all God's
goodness.

All: God's love shall last for ever.

Presider: Generous and faithful God,

All: you have fed us at your table.

**May the nourishment we have
received**

**Enable us to enrich the lives of
others**

Where-ever we may go from here.

Amen

Announcements

Blessing:

Presider: May the peace of Christ go
with you, where
ever you may go,

**People: May God guide you
through the
wilderness and protect
you through
the storm.**

Presider: May God bring you home
rejoicing with the
many wonders you will see,

**All: May God bring you home
rejoicing once
again into our doors.**

Closing Hymn: God, We Praise You

O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the
height:
rejoice in His word, you angels of light.
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were
made,
and worship before him in brightness
arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon
earth:
In tuneful accord, thanks for new birth;
Praise God who hath brought you all
grace from above.
Praise God who hath taught you to sing
of His love.

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.

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

Dismissal:

Presider: Go in peace and live as
you were created.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude