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16th Sunday after Pentecost
Season of Creation



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A Service of the Word

This liturgy is based on the

*Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Alternative Services***

Land acknowledgement

As always, we will light a candle and ring a bell as our service begins.

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Canticle

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.

Collect of the Day

First Reading

[Proverbs 1:20-33](#)

Barb Henshall

[Psalm 19](#)

LA Pauline Woods

The heavens declare the glory of God.

The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

The plants and trees show God's presence.

Let us join with creation in praising God.

God of all creation, who moves and inspires us through every time and season,

we bless you and praise you for the gift of life in your good, created world.

Grant to us grace and humility to so order our lives

that we may honour you among all peoples and nations,

create wholesome and right companionship with our fellow living creatures,

and work for the healing of this world that you created.

Teach us to see and hear your power in the winds and waves, mountains and valleys

so that we may glorify your goodness to us and live rightly in your creation.

We pray to you through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with You and the Spirit,

Gospel: [Mark 8:27-38](#)

The Rev. David Fitzsimmons

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon:

Hear O Israel

Hear, O Israel,

the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

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 neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

Hymn 37

Kate Fitzsimmons and Georgia Smith

We'll sing in the morning a song of creation,
Of your breath that stirs up the waters to birth;
And here at the fount of Christ's mercy we join you,
Co heirs of heaven and stewards of your gracious earth.

We'll sing in the noontime a song of redemption:
How Naaman was cleansed in the flow of your grace;
How, when we were sick, in our sin you released us
To laugh in health and dance in love before your face.

We'll sing in the evening a song of your pastures,
Of rivers that gladden the city of God;
And when we arrive on the bank of our Jordan,
You'll help us through its cold by fords your saints have trod.

Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

All creation invites us to join our voices in praise to God.

Trusting in God's mercy and grace,

let us confess our sin to God and to one another.

Generous God,

you created us and placed us here to care for all of creation.

Forgive us for turning away from you

and for neglecting the earth.

Raise us up and make us again stewards of your creation

that we may see your presence in all that surrounds us;

through Christ we pray. Amen.

Hear and receive this good news to all who long to see and encounter Christ.

Today, salvation comes to you and the land beneath your feet. Know that you/we are forgiven and are free to live in peace with one another and with the earth. Amen.

The Peace

A wave, a smile, a nod of the head are all fitting expressions of your intention for peace for yourself and for each other.

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Hymn

Kate Fitzsimmons and Georgia Smith

This is my Father's world,

**and to my list'ning ears all nature sings, and round me rings the
music of the spheres.**

This is my Father's world;

I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;

His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world;

**The birds their carols raise; the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.**

This is my Father's world;

He shines in all that's fair. In the rustling grass I hear him pass;

He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world;

**Oh, let me not forget that though the wrong seems oft so
strong,**

God is the ruler yet.

This is my Father's World;

**Why should my heart be sad? The Lord is king, let the heaven
ring;**

God reigns, let earth be glad!

In Thanksgiving for all God's blessings in our lives we pray:

**God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and
increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Je-
sus Christ our Lord. Amen**

officiant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

**People (sung) Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as it is 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**

Glory to God

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

Fore ever and ever. Amen.

LA Go in peace and love to serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Blessing

Announcements

Please read the latest edition of *The Spirit*. It is available on our website and a print edition can be obtained through the office. Jane Monchak and Trina Soltys have done a wonderful job of editing and production.

New COVID Protocols—from the Bishop

We are doing the right things, wearing masks and social distancing for in-person services. The bishop has asked that those who are not vaccinated should participate through zoom rather than attending in person, there will be no check for vaccinations at the door.

However, for other functions in the church, meetings and study groups, for example, participants are required to be vaccinated.

We are able to continue as we are now, with occasional in-person services. When the numbers of infections drop again we will be able to increase the frequency of in-person/hybrid services. We hope to have our first hybrid service October 17.

Clergy are required to be vaccinated and Cathie has received both shots as of July 1.

Hybrid Services—in-person and on zoom

A plan is taking shape for services to take place on both zoom and in-person at the same time. This would mean that zoom participants can see the in-person congregation and the congregation can see the zoom participants. Some equipment needs to be purchased and people need to learn to use it and train others. We hope to have our first hybrid service on October 17, which we will keep as the Feast of St. Luke.

Outreach is Ongoing please continue to pray for the homeless and hungry in Campbell River. Remember the work of Grass Roots, Kind Hearts, pray for the Food Bank, give thanks for the many ministries of the ACW in this community, pray for the 8 Twelve Step groups that use our church.

More Announcements...

Important dates

- Wednesday, office open 9:30 to noon
- Wednesday, ACW gathering in the Library
- Sept 16 7:00 PM *Mensa Christi*
- Sept 26 9:30 zoom worship, 10:30 in-person worship
- Sept 26 Parish Council (after worship) in-person, in the hall, date moved due to member travel

Sign up for EfM—Please!—talk to David Fitzsimmons. We are now considering a January start date. Please let David know if that will work for you.

Please remember in prayer those who teach, the students, and the staff of local schools, college, and university as they prepare to return to classes.

Churches may not speak or pray in a partisan way. We do not pray for a specific outcome in an election but we offer prayers for all those who have offered themselves for elected office and all who will vote. We pray that God will guide all elected leaders into ways of integrity, justice, and peace.

Elections Canada will be using our hall for a voting place on Sept 20. the 12 Step groups that meet there will be meeting in other parts of the building.

Updates

The Labyrinth is still a thing. David Fitzsimmons is still looking for bricks, if you have thoughts please share them. We will gather to do the work of installation when it is safer to be together.

The Liturgy Committee met and has decided that we are open for something new in our services. So we will be using elements from the Season of Creation liturgy offered to us by the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund. The confession today is from that service. This is consistent with the sixth question of the baptismal covenant:

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation and respect, sustain, and renew the life of the earth?

This season gives us opportunity to be thankful for the beauties and bounty of creation, and it serves as a reminder of our responsibility for care and protection.

Our Treasurer has sent us a financial update to the end of July. All the bills are paid. We are on target for income, and under budget for expenditures. We have over \$80,000 in the bank. We are doing well.

The Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission concludes with 94 "Calls to Action". In our land acknowledgement we commit ourselves to living more deeply into the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. We will be printing occasional reminders of those Calls to Action so that we may be more aware.

Five of these calls to action relate to national archives and the way we keep records and make them accessible. First Nations' culture, history, and wisdom are often not accurately represented and the call is to collaborate with Indigenous peoples to improve accuracy and representation and to provide funding to national archives to enable this work to happen.

Items 67 to 76, Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Prayers for the Church and the World

Anna, our Bishop,

Diocesan cycle: St. Philip, Oak Bay, Christopher Page

Lynne, our Metropolitan

Linda, Our Primate, Mark, our Indigenous Archbishop

AC cycle: The Anglican Church of Tanzania

Cathie and David our clergy

Parish family

For those who have offered themselves for elected office and those who will vote in the forthcoming election.

For the many who have died from drug overdose due to fentanyl and for those who work for prevention.

For those who teach and for students and staff as they return to school, college and university.

For those seeking healing and hope—names as given

For all who have survived residential school, those still bear the wounds, for all who did not return, and for all who grieve.

Those who have died

Why pray?

We pray because Jesus told us to pray. We pray because prayer shapes us and changes us. We can't pray for justice in the world without becoming more just ourselves. We can't pray for compassion and integrity in our leaders without growing as people of integrity and compassion. Addressing God in our prayers makes us more like God, loving, caring, longing for wholeness in the world.

Let the Prayer Chain know if you have a confidential prayer concern. Email stpeterCRprayerchain@gmail.com you may leave a confidential message on the Church telephone 250 286-1613.

WELCOME!

Parish Staff and Leaders

Bishop's Warden: Lois Tirebuck

People's Warden: David Storrie

Deputy Wardens: Bill Ritchie and Tony Smith

Treasurer: Holly Finn

Musicians: Georgia Smith and Kate Fitzsimmons

Custodian: Gwen Demerse

Prayer Chain: Kate Fitzsimmons

Communications Director: Trina Soltys

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Lay Assistants and Readers: Bill Ritchie

ACW President: Bev Lawrence, Lois Tirebuck

Mindfulness: Jane Jennings

Coffee Monday: Jennifer Coolen

Sunday School: Jane Monchak, Diana Hicks

Altar Guild President: Frances Hudock

Librarian: Jane Jennings

Community Garden Liaison: Rick Monchak

Safe Church: Judy Antonelli

PWRDF Rep: Barb Henshall

Building: George Wagner

The parish of St Peter Anglican Church and St Saviour Anglican Church is located on the unceded, traditional territory of the Ligwi'da'xw people: the We Wai Kai, Wei Wai Kum, and Kwiakah First Nations; the unceded traditional territory of the Klahoose First Nation; the unceded traditional territory of the K'omoks First Nation and the unceded traditional territory of the Homalco First Nation. We seek a new relationship with the first peoples here; one based on honour and respect. We pray that we may live more deeply into the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.