

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST. MARK

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17th Sunday after pentecost

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

10:00 am Holy Communion

We acknowledge with thanksgiving that we gather to worship on the territories of the Kwakwaka'wakw, Nuu-Chah-Nulth and Coast Salish Peoples.

We are grateful for our growing relationship with the Qualicum First Nation. As part of the Anglican Church of Canada, a church of Settlers and First Nations, we commit ourselves to a journey of truth and reconciliation between the indigenous peoples of this land and the non-native peoples of Canada.

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HOLY COMMUNION

Book of Alternative Services

Before the service, please observe silence so that we can be in quiet prayer.

Guest Organist *Jenny Vincent*

Processional Hymn: CP500 Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant

1. Sister, let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant too.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
fellow travelers on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant: 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.

Celebrant Almighty God,

People to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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.

The Collect of the Day

All O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Reading: Proverbs 31:10-31

Reader: John Smith

Reading: James 3:13-14:3, 7-8a

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Gradual Hymn: CP 504 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

*Refrain: Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,
Show us how to serve the neighbours we have from you.*

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends,
Silently washes their feet,
Master who acts as a slave to them.

[Refrain]

2. Neighbours are rich and poor,
Varied in colour and race,
Neighbours near and far away.

[Refrain]

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The Gospel: Mark 9:30-37 (*Please stand as you are able*)

Reader The Lord be with you

People And also with you.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Reader The Gospel of Christ

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon The Venerable Elizabeth Northcott

Prayers of the People

Sue Smith

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: CP 585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

1. Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
Who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:
We, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;
Consecrating to your purpose every gift which you impart.

2. Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread,
Still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,
By your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth. You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name.

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us

from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Loving God, according to his command,

All **We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

All **Our father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
the 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.**

Celebrant Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

Prayers after Communion

All Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Celebrant Glory to God,
All 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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn: CP 598 Go to the World

1. Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth
Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia!

2. Go to the world! Go into every place.

Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia!

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Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.