

**ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**October 31, 2021**



Meeting on the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation

Church Services:	Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Communion
		10:30 am	Holy Eucharist
	Weekdays (except stats)	8:30 am	Morning Prayer (Zoom)
	Wednesday	11:00 am	Holy Communion
Office open	9:00 am to Noon Mon to Thurs (by appt.) 250-753-2523		

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**Please be aware the 10:30 service may be recorded or livestreamed,  
and your presence in the service  
is considered your consent to appear on camera.**

## **HOLY COMMUNION – 8:00 a.m.**

*This Eucharistic liturgy is based on the  
Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Common Prayer, page 67***

*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.*

Celebrant: The Ven. Clara Plamondon

Preacher: The Ven. Clara Plamondon

Liturgical Assistant: John Browne

Reader: John Browne

Greeter: Andrea Biener, Brian Humber

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

Almighty God, whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call, rejoicing in your promise that in him the family of the earth is blessed, give us faith like his, that in us your promises may be fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

<b>FIRST READING:</b>	Ruth 1:1-18	John Browne
<b>PSALM:</b>	Psalm 146	L.A.
<b>GOSPEL:</b>	Mark 12:28-34	The Ven. Clara Plamondon
<b>SERMON:</b>		The Ven. Clara Plamondon
<b>THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:</b>		John Browne

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*The flowers on the altar are given by Julie Foster to the glory of God and in thanksgiving  
for and in memory of her husband Denis Foster.*

Altar Guild Team: Kathy McRae  
Spit Polish Brigade: Alison & Bill Walsh

## **HOLY EUCHARIST – 10:30 am**

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

### **THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD**

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Celebrant/Preacher: The Ven. Clara Plamondon

Liturgical Assistant: Sandra Leigh

Reader: L.A.

Prayers of the People: Margaret Constable

Organist: Freeman Dryden

Duty Warden: Heather Lester

Greeters: Patricia and Colin Sheen

Videography/Sound: Charles Harman

**WELCOME:** *(You may remain seated during the welcome)*

**OPENING HYMN: CP 442 Great God Your Love Has Called Us Here** — Brian Wren,  
1977 *RYBURN* — Norman Cocker, 1995 (*ELW#358; Hymns for Today's Church #480*)

1. Great God, your love has called us  
here

As we, by love, for love were made.

Your living likeness still we bear,

Though marred, dishonored,

disobeyed.

We come, with all our heart and mind

Your call to hear, your love to find.

2. We come with self-inflicted pains

Of broken trust and chosen wrong,

Half-free, half-bound by inner chains,

By social forces swept along,

By powers and systems close confined,

Yet seeking hope for humankind.

3. Great God, in Christ you call our name  
And then receive us as your own,  
Not through some merit, right or claim,  
But by your gracious love alone.  
We strain to glimpse your mercy seat  
And find you kneeling at our feet.

5. Great God, in Christ you set us free  
your life to live, your joy to share.  
Give us your Spirit's liberty  
to turn from guilt and dull despair  
and offer all that faith can do  
while love is making all things new.

### **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.**

### **GLORY TO GOD**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

**Almighty God, whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call, rejoicing in your promise that in him the family of the earth is blessed, give us faith like his, that in us your promises may be fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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:** Ruth 1:1-18

*Mary Jane McLaughlin*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM:** 146

*Liturgical Assistant or Cantor*

1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! \* I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, \* for there is no help in them.**

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, \* and in that day their thoughts perish.

**4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! \* whose hope is in the Lord their God;**

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; \* who keeps his promise for ever;

**6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, \* and food to those who hunger.**

7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; \* the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

**8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; \* he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

9 The Lord shall reign for ever, \* your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah

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.**

**GRADUAL HYMN: CP 485 Love Divine All Loves Excelling** — Charles Wesley, 1747  
*HYFRYDOL [CP374]* — R.H.Pritchard, 1855 (vs 1-2, 5-6)

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown.

2. Jesus, thou art all compassion;  
Pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.

5. Finish, then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee,

6. Changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

**GOSPEL:** Mark 12:28-34

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

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

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

**SERMON:**

*The Ven. Clara Plamondon*

*Silence is kept.*

## APOSTLES CREED

L.A. 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.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

*Margaret Constable*

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

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

*Silence is kept.*

L.A. 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.**

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. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE:**

*(During the peace, you are asked to remain where you are and 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.**

**THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED**

**OFFERTORY:**

*(The offertory will not be brought up at this time. The offering plate will be available on the desk in the narthex before and after the service. Thank you for your understanding.)*

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:**

**God of freedom, accept all we offer you this day. May we embrace the law of your service and know the glorious liberty of the children of God. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: (Eucharistic Prayer #2)**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**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.**

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

And now as our Saviour 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.**

#### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD:**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### **COMMUNION:**

*(During communion, the greeter will direct you to come forward one pew at a time. Communion will be by bread only. The Clergy will serve communion at the chancel step or will happily come to you at your seat if you are unable to come forward on your own)*

**COMMUNION HYMN: CP 450 You Call Us Lord to Be** — Jane Manton Marshall, 1992  
RHOSYMEDRE — J. David Edwards, 1840

*Refrain:*

Thus chosen now, O Lord,  
We ask for faith in your unfailing grace  
To make us equal to the task.

1. You call us, Lord, to be  
a people set apart,  
To feel with thoughtful mind  
And think with tender heart. *Refrain*

2. You call us, Lord, to care  
For self and neighbour too,  
To take the risk, and dare  
To show what love can do. *Refrain*

3. You call us, Lord, to be  
Good stewards of the earth;  
To tend it as a place  
Of blessedness and worth. *Refrain*

4. You call us, Lord, to serve:  
To die that we may live,  
To know we best receive  
When joyfully we give. *Refrain*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:**

Let us pray,

**Heavenly Father, bring to perfection within us the communion we share in this sacrament. After Pentecost 391 May the unity we know this day live in our community and family. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**BLESSING:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**DISMISSAL:**

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING HYMN: CP 425 Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee** — Henry VanDyke, 1908 HYMN  
TO JOY — Ludwig VanBeethoven, 1826

1. Joyful, joyful we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
Drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day.

2. All thy works with joy surround thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays;  
Stars and angels sing around thee,  
Centre of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in thee.

3. Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father and our Mother,  
All who live in love and thine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.

*After the closing hymn the greeter will direct you to leave  
one pew at a time. Thank you for maintaining physical distancing as you leave.*

*Please refrain from socializing in the halls, the narthex or in the church. Instead, join us  
outdoors for fellowship and conversation in the garden or parking lot as the weather permits.*