



Diocese of New Westminster
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St. Thomas Anglican Church

Loving God, loving each other, loving our neighbours

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

**November 21, 2021,
9:00 AM**

THE REIGN OF CHRIST



The Book of Alternative Services

Celebrant: The Venerable Allan Carson

The Gathering of the Community

Announcements

Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

Opening Hymn:

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Vs 1)

CP 321

The Collect

You who are,
who were,
who are to come,
before whose judgement
all that is not love fades away:
save us from the violence
that seeks to claim our hearts,
so that we may hear a different voice
and belong to you in truth;
through Jesus Christ, the wounded king of all. Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt



The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 132 *Memento, Domine*

Deb Edwards

1 Lord, remember David, *
and all the hardships he endured.
2 How he swore an oath to the Lord *
and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob.

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Last of Pentecost

3 “I will not come under the roof of my house, *
nor climb up into my bed;
4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, *
nor let my eyelids slumber;
5 until I find a place for the Lord, *
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob.”
6 “The Ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; *
we found it in the fields of Jearim.
7 Let us go to the dwelling place of the Lord; *
let us fall upon our knees before the footstool of the Lord.”
8 Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, *
you and the ark of your strength.
9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *
let your faithful people sing with joy.
10 For your servant David’s sake, *
do not turn away the face of your anointed.
11 You, O Lord, have sworn an oath to David;
in truth, you will not break it: *
“A son, the fruit of your body will I set upon your throne.
12 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for evermore.”
13 For you, O Lord, have chosen Zion, *
and have desired it for your habitation:

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world
without end, Amen.**

The Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b – 8

Deb Edwards

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is
to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and
from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead,
and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and
made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to
him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to us today. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual:

You Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (Vs 1)

CP 630

Gospel Reading: John 18: 33 – 37

Jan Guretzki

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the

chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Gradual:

You Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (Vs 3)

CP 630

Sermon: The Ven. Allan Carson

A time of reflection

Affirming the Christian Story - Philippians 2:6-11

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

Though he was divine

**he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.**

Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness.

**He humbled himself and was obedient to death,
even death on the cross.**

**Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**



Prayers of the People – Jan Guretzki

We pray to our everlasting God, through our Saviour Jesus who is both Christ the King and the Son of Man and who understands our needs and the needs of this world. We pray that you will draw us together and unite us in the love of Christ that we may proclaim with one voice your justice and righteousness in a broken world.

Lord of life: **In your mercy, hear us**

Loving God, we pray for your world, of which your Son is King. We pray for peace, reconciliation, and healing in the places of war, hatred, and terrorism. We pray that the nations of this world may be united and subject to the rule of Christ the King, through whom and for whom all things were created. We pray for the health of Elizabeth, our Queen; Mary May Simon, our Governor General; Justin Trudeau, our Prime Minister; John Horgan, our Premier; and Ken Popove, our mayor. May their rules be guided and influenced by the example set by your son who lives and reigns as King of Kings.

Lord of life: **In your mercy, hear us**

God of healing, we bring before you today all those impacted by the storms and flooding this past week. We pray that your presence would be felt by those who are grieving, those who are injured, those who have lost their homes. We pray for wisdom and safety for those who are responding to the people in need and the many challenges left in the wake of the storm. God, you are our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble. For this we give you thanks.

Lord of life: **In your mercy, hear us**

Creator God, we pray for your world where many indeed have never known about you and your son; and where sadly many have rejected you. Let Jesus be King, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken him, but also those who have abandoned him altogether. Help us to reach out to one another with greater love and better understanding; we pray for our homes, our families, our neighbours, and friends, especially those who do not yet realize the extent of your love for them.

Lord of life: **In your mercy, hear us**

Loving God, we pray for those who suffer in any way. For those who are sick, housebound or in hospital. Surround the frightened with your tenderness; give strength to those in pain; hold the weak in your loving arms and give hope and patience to those who are recovering. In our own parish we pray for: Ted, Donna, Denise, Riny, Gordon, Rodney, JD, Laura, Jolette, David, and Ken.

Lord of life: **In your mercy, hear us**

Merciful God, we raise before you all who have died and who are now with your Son, the king. We pray for those who have recently died and for their life in the kingdom of God. Today we think especially of Archie Young who died last Saturday. We pray for his family and ask that you be with them in their sorrow and keep them close to you.

Lord of life: **In your mercy, hear us**

Holy God, you have rescued us from the power of darkness. Help us to walk in this world as citizens of your Kingdom of Light, where Christ reigns as King in glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns (Vs 1, 4) CP 378

Doxology

♪Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer Over the Gifts

Holy God, gracious and merciful,
you bring forth food from the earth
and nourish your whole creation.

Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way,
so that all may know your care;
and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.



The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: ♪The Lord be with you.

People: ♪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.**

♪Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

You exalted him as Lord of all creation
that he might present to you
an eternal and universal kingdom:
a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace,
a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow
as heaven and earth 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 the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,....

....Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”
Therefore, Father, according to his command,
**we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you,
Lord of all;....

....by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

♪Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**♪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 for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

“I am the bread of life,” says the Lord.
“Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

The Communion

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

Hymn: Glorified

Verse 1

Lord I come into Your holy place
Stand in awe of Your cleansing grace
Who am I that You would care for me
I glorify the One who died for me

Chorus

Glorify, glorify
Let Your name be lifted up and glorified
Let the earth tremble at Your name
Let Your name be lifted up and glorified

Verse 2

Into Your hands I commit my life
Day by day as a living sacrifice
Who am I that You would care for me
I glorify the One who died for me

Chorus

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Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, almighty God,
**that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)

Doxology

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.**

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Song: Ancient of Days

Verse 1

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King reigning over all
So, I will not fear for this truth remains
That my God is the Ancient of Days

Chorus

None above Him, none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne, it shall remain and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of days

Verse 3

Though I may not see what the future brings
I will watch and wait for the Saviour king
Then, my joy complete, standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

Chorus

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For my God is the Ancient of Days
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The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia

Announcements

Altar Flowers and Sunday Coffee:

There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for Altar flowers and Sunday Coffee for the rest of the year.



If anyone would like to put Altar flowers on the Altar for a special time or in memory of someone, please let Jan or Nancy know, and sign your name beside the appropriate date on the new sheet in the Narthex.

Flowers can be purchased or brought in from your garden, whichever you would like to do.



Weekly Webinar:

Note new time: Tuesday evenings at 4:30 pm, running through December 21, 2021. For registration, and Zoom instructions, see the website: Events section.



Choir rehearsals for advent choir on Thursdays at 7:15.

Contact Christine at millarmusicstudio@gmail.com if you would like to join us.



We are collecting water-resistant and/or woolen socks for Swallowtail ministry that supplies these kinds of needs (brings supplies and food directly to those folks who ask for it and also provides them with clinical counselling for trauma that has led them to the street). It is run by Jay and Jolene Holland.

****NEXT** Sunday: Nov. 28 - Advent:**

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14 – 16 Nancy den Boesterd

Psalm: 25: 1 – 9

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians: 3:9 – 13

Gospel: Luke 21:25 – 36 Jan Guretzki

Intercessor: David Westcott

**Note: Above readings may be subject to change.*

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