

The Anglican Church of St. John the Divine

The 3rd Sunday after Pentecost *June 26th, 2022*

As people of God, we celebrate Christ in the heart of Victoria through joyful worship, building inclusive community, and putting faith into action.

St. John's acknowledges these ancestral lands of the Lekwungen speaking people.

We are an inclusive and affirming parish; the sacraments of the church (baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we.



VICTORIA
PRIDE
WEEK



Welcome to the Parish Church of St. John the Divine, Victoria. We are a community of faith in the Anglican Tradition, seeking to live lives of faith, hope, and love as part of this community of Downtown Victoria. We are on a journey of learning to be a welcoming, inviting, inclusive, and serving community which is open to all.

Our worship reflects our rootedness in the Anglican tradition, whilst drawing on liturgies that reflect the long history and heritage of our Christian faith. Please join in as you feel able, and enjoy the words, music, and opportunity for prayer and to be a part of our community.

Worship as we move forward in COVID-19: We are carefully gathering for **worship in-person at 10am (Holy Eucharist) and 5:30pm (BCP Evensong)** – no booking is required, and we continue to remain masked through the services and practice respectful distances and safety protocols. We encourage in-person attendance for all who are vaccinated, and if not-vaccinated, unable to attend in person, or feeling vulnerable or unable to mask we would encourage you to join via Zoom (email admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca for link) or through the livestream on the Website: <https://www.stjohnthedivine.bc.ca/>

We continue to share daily prayer online with a link on our website.

Contacting Us: We are all learning ways to build community "at a distance." We are checking phone messages and answering emails. The main email for contact is: admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca. If you wish to receive prayer for yourself or for another, there will be members of our Healing Prayer group who will offer their prayers. Please contact the church office at the above email address.

You are very welcome here. We don't always get it right; please let us know when we do, and when we don't. Please stay and be a part of our family, for however long you would like.

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

*The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in **bold print**.*

Presider: The Right Reverend Anna Greenwood-Lee

Greeters: Merle Wall, Louise Langman

Crucifer: Penny Holt

Reader: Iris Elsdon

Gospel: Karen Coverett

Sermon: The Right Reverend Anna Greenwood-Lee

Intercessor: Sarah Kell

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Jenks, Lorraine Gates

Verger: David Pupak

Streaming Technicians: Karen Coverett, Vanessa Whyte

Music: The Choristers of St. John the Divine;

The MacRae Choral Scholars

Emily Markwart, Sutton Organ Scholar

Kim Bartczak, Conductor

The Gathering of the Community

As we seek to care for one another in pandemic, we remember that masks must be worn over nose and mouth in our services at all times, especially when singing.

Prelude

Land Acknowledgement and Welcome

Processional Hymn (God of Many Faces)

SLANE



- 1. God of many faces, we offer our praise,
singing your glory through all of our days.
Hear ever growing voices, once fragile, now strong,
carrying melodies in expansive new songs.**
- 2. God of many genders, our world reflects you,
sunrise and sunset uniting our hues,
woven into a city with jewels of all shades,
houses of ruby and walls rowed with jade.**
- 3. God of many names, we invite you to show
us the new names that reflect our true souls.
Breathe with your holy spirit to give us the Word
that will indwell dry bones, granting new life once heard.**
- 4. God of many bodies, abide within ours,
shifting more each day through time and through scars.
Come sanctify our bodies, all fashioned by you,
holier everyday, still becoming more true.**

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Gathering

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

All: And also with you.

Loving God in Trinity, you show us that you are relationship,
you call us to relationship together.

All: Make us one, as you are one.

With our many cultures and languages, genders, and sexual identities,
nations and colours, ages, and backgrounds we are made in your image.

All: Make us one, as you are one.

As we worship in church or at home, in forests and by the ocean, in parades and in
activism.

All: Make us one, as you are one.

In our worship, our living, our sharing, our joy, our sorrow, our community,
and our part in your creation.

All: Make us one in Christ. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence and Forgiveness

Loving God, Maker of all

All: have mercy on us.

Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor

All: have mercy on us.

Holy Spirit, Breath of life

All: have mercy on us.

Let us in silence admit our frailty and confess our failings.

(Silence)

Before God, with the people of God,
I confess to my brokenness:
to the ways I wound my life,
the lives of others and the life of the world.

**All: May God forgive you,
Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.**

Amen.

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with the people of God,
we confess to our brokenness:
To the ways we wound our lives,
the lives of others and the life of the world.**

May God forgive you,
Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

All: **Amen.**

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Gloria



Cantor: Glo - ry be to God on high

Choir: And on earth peace, good will towards all.



All: We praise you

Choir: We bless you.



All: We wor - ship you.

Choir: We glorify you.



All: We give thanks to you for your great glo - ry.

Choir: O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.



All: O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ.

Choir: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.



All: You take away the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

Choir: You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

All: You are seat - ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther,

have mer - cy up - on us.

Choir: For you only are holy.

You on - ly are the Lord.

All: You on - ly are the Lord.

Choir: You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father.

A - - - men.

All: A - - - men.

Translation: Book of Common Prayer, modernised. Music: Missa viii, 'De Angelis'

The Collect of the Day

The Presider invites all to pray. Silence is kept.

Almighty God,
 you have taught us through your Son
 that love fulfils the law.
 May we love you with all our heart,
 all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,
 and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Book of Alternative Services

The Proclamation of the Word

Let us listen for the Word of God in Holy Scripture.

The First Reading

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, ‘Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.’ But he said, ‘As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’ So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.’ Elisha said, ‘Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.’ He responded, ‘You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.’ As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, ‘Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!’ But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

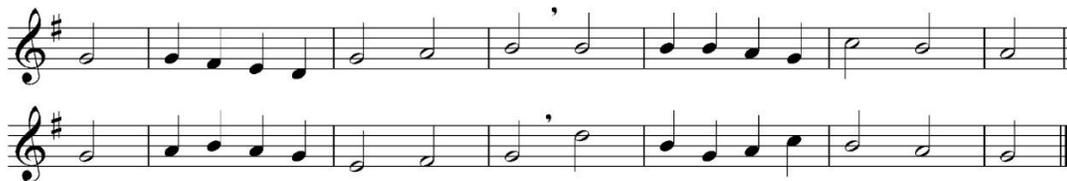
He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, ‘Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?’ When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Canticle:

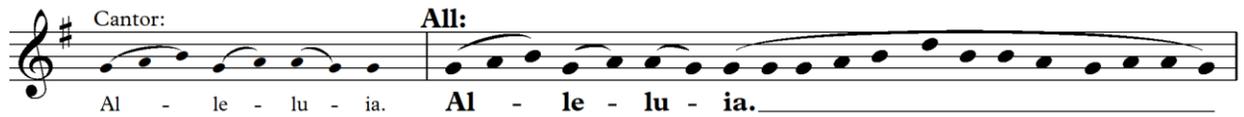
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| <p>1. All people that on earth do dwell,
sing out your faith with cheerful voice;
delight in God whose praise you tell,
whose presence calls you to rejoice.</p> | <p>3. Enter the sacred gates with praise;
with joy approach the temple walls,
extol and bless our God always
as people whom the Spirit calls.</p> |
| <p>2. Know that there is one God, indeed,
who fashions us without our aid,
who claims us, gives us all we need,
whose tender care will never fade.</p> | <p>4. Proclaim again that God is good,
whose mercy is forever sure,
whose truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.</p> |

The Gospel
Before the Gospel

Luke 9:51-62



Cantor: A new commandment I give to you: that you love one another as I have loved you.



All:

God is with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Hear the good news of Jesus according to Luke.

All: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

After the Gospel

The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Following the Sermon there will be a pause for silence.

Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God, Creator
who made all things?

All: We believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God, living Word,
who embraces all creation?

All: We believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God, life-giving Spirit,
who inspires the people of God?

All: We believe and trust in God.

This is the faith of the Church.

**All: This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Creator, Word, Spirit. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Those who have asked for our prayers are listed at the end of the leaflet.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

All may offer their neighbour a contactless sign of peace.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Anthem

This anthem, by English composer Tamsin Jones on a specially written text by Lucy Crispin, was commissioned for St. John's with the aid of a gift from the estate of Mavis Gillie. This is the first time it has been sung.

When cracked earth lies exhausted and breathing woods are felled
when air is rank with poisons and warming waters swell
when first songs have been silenced and peoples torn apart
when arrogance and greed are like a canker in the heart
when how you look or who you love is cause enough for hate
when fear breeds fear and rage breeds rage and horrors escalate
then may the mighty rushing wind sweep clean the hearts of all
may there be heard through us the voice that's still and small
may light that is unending show the way to rise above
may compassion flower in us: for the greatest thing is love.

The Prayer over the Gifts

God of all creation,
all you have made is good,
and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts,
so that we might for the world be
signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Lord.

All: Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

As we prepare to celebrate this Eucharist, we remember that we are the people of God. Near or far we are gathered together by the love of Christ. We remember that we are incorporated into the body of Christ. We join together in this celebration of our union in Christ.

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you,

All: Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given us, and all that you have borne for us. In our sharing in this Eucharist, in Church or at home, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God, our Creator.

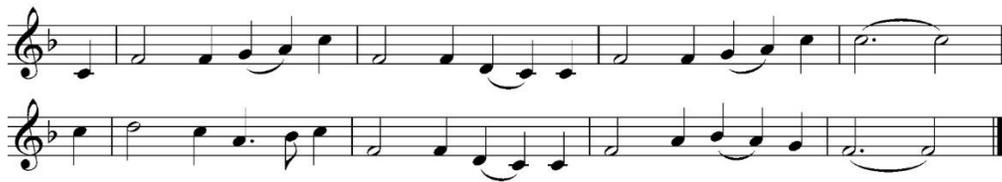
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God,
in the abundance of your love
you have caused all things to be;
from dust and spirit
you have woven our humanity;
in all our wanderings
you never cease to call us to fullness of life.

You gave us Jesus, son of Mary,
the bread of life broken for the world
he fed us and feasted with us,
he healed us and suffered for us;
his dying and rising have set us free
from the poverty of sin
and the famine of death.

Therefore with all whom you have made, cherished and called
with all who hunger for your kingdom
and will not rest until all your children are fed,
with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages
we take up the song of your praise:

Sanctus



**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.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We ask that your Holy Spirit
will fall upon us and upon these gifts
that these fragile, earthly things
may be to us the body and blood of our Saviour and brother,
Jesus Christ: who on the night that he was betrayed,
gathered with his faltering friends
for a meal that tasted of freedom.

Calling them to his table,
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
“This is my body, which is given for you.
Do this to remember me.”
In the same way after supper, he took the cup saying,
“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this whenever you drink it, to remember me.”
As on that night, so here and now
he offers himself in touch and taste
beyond all words can hold.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore in our eating and drinking
we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ;
we proclaim him as creation's host,
transforming poverty into plenty
in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope
that one day death and greed will be no more
and people without number
will come from east and west, north and south
to share the kingdom meal.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Saviour
by whom and with whom and in whom
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honour and glory are yours, Fount of blessings,
for ever and ever.



All: A men A - men A - men.

The Lord's Prayer

Ambrosian Chant

Priest: As our saviour Christ has taught us, we now pray:



Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your king-dom come, your will be done,



on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins



as we for-give those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al,



and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r, and the glo-ry are yours,



now and for ev-er. A-men

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The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread,
to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

All are welcome to receive communion, if you are sitting on the left hand side of the church (the North side) please go to the back of the Church. If you are seated on the right hand side OR require gluten free wafers please come to the front of the Church. You are welcome to receive bread and wine or just bread, both are full communion, as you are comfortable.

Anthem

My eyes for beauty pine,
My soul for Goddes grace:
No other care nor hope is mine,
To heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed
From all the stars above:
'Tis named when God's name is said,
'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart,
That burns with true desire,
Is lit from eyes that mirror part
Of that celestial fire.

Text: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)
Music: Elizabeth Coxhead (2020)

Following the Communion there will be a pause for silence.

The Commissioning of the Community

One body are we.

All: For, though we are in many places, we spiritually share one bread.

Prayer after Communion

God of abundance,
with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ,
making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Blessing

Dismissal

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

Refrain

**Draw the circle wide.
Draw it wider still.
Let this be our song,
no one stands alone,
standing side by side,
draw the circle wide.**

- 1. God the still-point of the circle,
'round whom all creation turns;
nothing lost, but held forever,
in God's gracious arms.**

Refrain

- 2. Let our hearts touch far horizons,
so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call.**

Refrain

- 3. Let the dreams we dream be larger,
than we've ever dreamed before;
let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door.**

Refrain

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Please join us in church or on Zoom for refreshments and fellowship.

Readings for July 3 – The 4th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 5:1-14 The deceptively simple story of Elisha's healing of Naaman serves to reveal surprising agents and recipients of God's grace.

Psalms 30 God receives a joyful song in thanksgiving for healing.

Galatians 6:1-16 Paul stresses that our own interior attitude and openness to the invitation to love God and neighbour is what counts with God.

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 Jesus instructs the seventy for their missionary journey. Upon their return he instructs them to rejoice not for the wonders accomplished but for being received and accepted by God.

Flowers

In loving memory and thanksgiving for Susan and Barry Jenks, with love from Timothy and Barbara.

The following people have asked for our prayers.

Please keep them in your heart and mind as you go through your week.

Mark	Daryl	Savio
Anne	Nancy	Eric
Charlotte	Kat	Joe & family
Brian	Chris	John & Pat
Colleen & Neil	Dr. John and family	Steven, Melody, Sharon

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