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We welcome everyone worshipping with us today whether in person or online.*

### The Gathering of the Community

#### Words of Welcome and Acknowledgment

We begin by acknowledging that we live, work, play, and worship on the traditional and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples including the Katzeo, Tsawwassen, Semiahmoo and Kwantlen Nations. May our words and our actions reflect our awareness and appreciation of this.

#### Processional Hymn – CP#438 O Jesus, I Have Promised

#### The Greeting

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

**And also with you.**

#### The Collect for Purity

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

## The Collect

Almighty God,  
**you call your Church to witness**  
**that in Christ we are reconciled to you.**  
**Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,**  
**that all who hear it may turn to you;**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord,**  
**who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,**  
**one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

### First Reading – Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgement against them. "For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back. Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God**

### Psalm 14

1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

**All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.**

2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all,

**to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.**

3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad;

**there is none who does good; no, not one.**

4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers  
**who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?**

5 See how they tremble with fear,  
**because God is in the company of the righteous.**

6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,  
**but the Lord is their refuge.**

7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!  
**when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,**  
**Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.**

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:  
**as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen**

**Second Reading – 1 Timothy 1: 12-17**

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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**Thanks be to God**

## Gradual Hymn –CP 508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

### The Gospel – Luke 15: 1-10

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Homily: The Rev'd Amanda Ruston**

## The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, 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

## **Confession and Absolution**

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.*

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**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

### Offertory Hymn – CP#615 Just As I Am

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God,  
**accept all we offer you this day.**  
**May we who are reconciled at this table**  
**bring wholeness to our broken world.**  
**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

Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
let us pray as our Redeemer has taught us.

**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.**

## 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 Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God**

*Please proceed to the altar for communion as directed, we ask that you sanitise your hands before receiving Communion.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

God of peace,  
**in this eucharist we have been reconciled  
to you and to our neighbours.**

**May we who have been nourished by holy things  
always have the courage to forgive.**

**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

### **The 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 our Lord Jesus Christ.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
be with you now, and always. **Amen**

## Sending Hymn – CP#418 Draw The Circle Wide

### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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### **Notices and Prayer List for the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2022**

To assist the office, please ensure that any items for the Notices are received

**before Noon on Thursday.**

**The flowers** at the altar this morning are given for the glory of God to give thanks to the Season of Creation and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth.

**We pray for the whole Anglican Church of Canada** – we pray especially for our primate, Archbishop Linda Nichols. We pray also for the Most Rev'd Lynne McNaughton, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon.

**Anglican Communion** – we pray for the Church of Bangladesh.

**In our Diocesan Cycle** - we pray for our Bishop, the Rt. Rev'd John Stephens. We also pray for: Holy Cross Japanese Canadian, Vancouver – the Rev'd Alecia Greenfield; Salal & Cedar Watershed Discipleship Ministry – the Rev'd Laurel Dykstra Synod Office Staff. We pray for our companion diocese of Northern Philippines. We pray for our own twinned parish of Holy Apostles, Abatan, and their priest, Father Joey Napat-a.

In addition to remembering our Companion Parish in your Prayers, remember also bishop-elect Benny Lang-akan, who will be ordained on Holy Cross Day (September 14).

In all these prayers for the church near and far, we pray for the people and clergy and for the ministries flowing from these places into the communities.

**In our Parish Cycle we pray for:** Maxine Hryhoriw and Gay Nay & Hsar Kaprue Lah Htoo. We pray for their work, ministry, and families here and away.

## **Notices**

### **SAM AND ANGELITA'S 65<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

Our St. Helen's family will join with the Sotana family to celebrate the event. On **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022 at 3:30pm**, we start with a Service of Celebration, followed by entertainment and dinner in the Church Hall. For this event PLEASE make sure that you register by emailing [ticketsatsthelens@gmail.com](mailto:ticketsatsthelens@gmail.com). Deadline to RSVP is Monday September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Email registration is compulsory**

St. Helen's parishioners are asked to bring EITHER A SALAD OR A DESSERT FOR NO MORE THAN 8 OR 10 PEOPLE, or may opt to share this contribution. The Sotanas are providing the main meal. There is no charge, but please RSVP by emailing the address above.

### **OLD-FASHIONED HYMN SING GATHERING**

We are all invited to join the folks at St. Oswald's (Port Kells, 9566 190<sup>th</sup> Street, Surrey) for a Hymn Sing event next Sunday on September 11 between 6 and 7pm. Tea, coffee and home-made goodies are served after the event at the hall.

### **2023 CHURCH CALENDARS**

St. Helen's ACW is pleased to accept pre-orders for next year's calendars. The theme is 'Peaks and Valleys' and a range of church photos from across Canada are featured. The large daily spaces are useful for keeping track of appointments, birthdays, church events, etc. The 'seasons' of the church and associated colours, reflected in our priests' vestments and altar hangings, Holy Days, and commemorations and memorials of saints and other noted church figures are included. The cost is \$7.00. Please let Glenda Colquhoun know if you would like a copy for yourself, family members, or friends. Deadline for pre-orders is September 18.

## **ACW DORCAS SHOWER**

Dorcas (also known as Tabitha) was an early disciple of Jesus, known for her ‘good works and acts of mercy.’ Following her example, members of **St. Helen’s ACW** will be purchasing baby layette items for needy families. **NEW items**, ranging from 6 months to 2 years, such as sleepers, onesies, 2 piece outfits (pants & tops), receiving blankets, knitted 40” x 40” square blankets, hooded baby towels, diaper pins, baby soap, rattles, teething rings, brush & comb sets, and small sizes of Vaseline, baby shampoo & lotion are needed. If shopping is not convenient, cash donations may be given to Glenda Colquhoun or Judy Nicholson. All items will be donated to the Diocesan ACW for use in Northern BC & Yukon parishes and when a need arises in the Lower Mainland. Your support is most welcome.

**GENTLY, USED BABY/FAMILY CLOTHES** can find a new home through the Diocesan ACW. These are included in the **BALES** of clothing sent three times. Glenda or Judy are happy to deliver these to ACW Place. If you have questions regarding donations of men’s, women’s, children’s clothing, games, bedding, knitting, linens, etc. and how it is sorted and shipped according to parish requests, please speak to Judy Nicholson. You are welcome to visit ACW Place (Unit B, 7012 Merritt Avenue, Burnaby) any Monday morning and see the ladies in action.

**LUNCH BUNCH:** Parishioners are invited to gather for lunch and fellowship on **Thursday, September 22**, at 11:45am, in the Upper Hall. Kelly and Les Foulds have agreed to prepare lunch. Coffee, tea, and dessert will also be provided. The cost is \$6.00 per person. Please confirm your attendance with Joan Hnedish by September 18. Looking forward to seeing you.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – Please consider providing for the flowers placed on the Altar to the glory of God, in celebration, in thanksgiving, or in memory of loved ones. The cost is usually in the \$40 - \$50 range for both vases.

If you would like to make a donation of a lesser amount, we always appreciate any contributions!

Contact Heather Herd for details. You may make your donation by cheque made out to St. Helen's Anglican Church and send it in the mail or leave it in the offering plate on a Sunday or by Interac e-Transfer. The email address to transfer electronically is: [giving2sthelen@gmail.com](mailto:giving2sthelen@gmail.com)

## **This Week's Ministry Team**

**Officiant/Preacher**– The Rev'd Amanda Ruston

**Music** – Matthew Ma

**Crucifer/Server and Psalmist** – John Palmer

**Prayers of the Community** – Lynn Turner

**Chalice assistants/Lay administrators** – Vee & Edward Villar

**Readers** – Cynthia Richards and Matthew Ma

**Greeters** – Glenda Colquhoun & Pat Nociar

**Livestream Tech** – Zoltan Barabas/Simon Lee/Tom Beneteau

**Altar Guild** – Lynn Turner and Jane Denton

**Fellowship Servers** – Ann Nelitz, Maxine Hryhoriw, Cathy Anderson & Alex Mason

### Next week's Ministry Team

**Crucifer/Server and Psalmist** – Kelly Foulds

**Prayers of the Community** – John Palmer

**Readers** – Cynthia Richards and Lynn Turner

**Greeters** – Janette Bulkam & Wendy Russell

**Altar Guild** – Mary Patterson and Jane Denton

**Fellowship Servers** – Ann Nelitz and helpers

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