



# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

*The Day of Pentecost, May 28, 2023*

“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful;  
and kindle in us the fire of your love.”

## Welcome

*The Parish of St. Mary the Virgin is a member of the Diocese of British Columbia and the Anglican Church of Canada. We are an inclusive and welcoming 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. As a parish we acknowledge with gratitude that we live, work and play on the traditional lands of the Lekwungen peoples. We commit ourselves, as a settler church and people, to continue with our First Nations hosts on the journey of truth-telling, healing, and reconciliation.*

**VISITORS** *Welcome! We are delighted that you have joined us for worship.*

**COMMUNION** *All are invited to receive Communion. The sacrament will be offered in both kinds (bread and the common cup). Regarding the cup: since there has been no indication that COVID-19 has spread via swallowing, it is our view that properly-distributed wine from the silver chalice poses no additional risk to safety. That said, please feel free to receive the bread only, and be assured that in the Anglican Church of Canada it has always been our tradition that receiving only one of the elements is considered full Communion.*

*Gluten free wafers for communion are available. Please request it from the person who is distributing the bread.*



*The flowers are given to the Glory of God  
and in loving memory of*

*Harry Borris, Derek Greer,  
Mary Creighton, and Jim Watson,  
from your 8:30 Service Family*

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## 10:00am Service

Ministers of Welcome:	Chris Moeckl	Eucharistic Minister:	The Rev'd Dr John Macquarrie
Presider:	The Rev'd Dyan Davison	Organist:	Curt Bergen
Preacher:	The Rev'd Canon Craig Hiebert	Musicians:	St Mary Singers

*Note: in the service order, words set in **bold italic type** are said by the congregation.*

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### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

#### WELCOME

#### PRELUDE

*'Veni Creator Spiritus' from Orgelbuchlein, J.S. Bach*

#### INTRODUCTION

#### RESPONSORY

As we wait in silence,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

As we listen to your word,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

As we worship you in majesty,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

As we long for your refreshing,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

As we long for your renewing,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

As we long for your equipping,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

As we long for your empowering,  
***fill us with your Spirit.***

*Silence is kept.*

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

God unheld by word or wall: ***lift us from dullness and cynical contempt; make us ready for your Spirit of transforming power; and turn our hearts to the mending of the world, through Jesus Christ, the name above all names. Amen.***

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

*The congregation sits*

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## THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

### READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 2. 1-21, Gillian Fosdick

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?' <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' <sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> "In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

***Thanks be to God.***

**PSALM 104. 25-35, 37**

O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
In wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.

***Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too many to number,  
creatures both small and great.***

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,  
which you have made for the sport of it.

***All of them look to you  
to give them their food in due season.***

You give it to them; they gather it;  
you open your hand,  
and they are filled with good things.

***You hide your face, and they are terrified;  
you take away their breath,  
and they die and return to their dust.***

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;  
and so you renew the face of the earth.

***May your glory, O Lord, endure for ever;  
may you rejoice in all your works;***

you look at the earth and it trembles;  
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

***I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will praise my God while I have my being.***

May these words of mine please you;  
I will rejoice in the Lord.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.  
***As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

**READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS**

1 Corinthians 12. 3b-13, Bob Gill

<sup>3</sup>No one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says ‘Let Jesus be cursed!’ and no one can say ‘Jesus is Lord’ except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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***Thanks be to God.***

**GOSPEL HYMN**

*We Walk By Faith (244)*

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| 1. We walk by faith, and not by sight;<br>no gracious words we hear<br>from him who spoke as none e’er spoke;<br>but we believe him near. | 3. Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;<br>and may our faith abound,<br>to call on you when you are near,<br>and seek where you are found:  |
| 2. We may not touch his hands and side,<br>nor follow where he trod;<br>but in his promise we rejoice<br>and cry, “My Lord and God!”      | 4. that, when our life of faith is done,<br>in realms of clearer light<br>we may behold you as you are,<br>with full and endless sight. |

*Before the Gospel is read, the reader says:*

God be with you.

***And also with you.***

The Good News of Jesus according to John.

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

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

The Gospel of Christ

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

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### SERMON

### ANTHEM

*I Will Sing with The Spirit*, John Rutter

### AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

***We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.***

***On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. (+) We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.***

## **PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND THE WORLD**

Bob Gill

*The congregation stands, sits, or kneels.*

We pray for God's Holy Spirit of peace to fill us, and to move us.

Come, Holy Spirit,  
***renew the face of the earth.***

*In your prayers this week remember those in need of healing and care, including Allison W, Amelia, Anna, Bonnie, Dave, Debra, Dorothy, Gail, Garry, Gina, Jean, Judy J, Kat, Ken, Peter, Robert, Vic. Give thanks for the life of Margaret Cameron, who died on 9 May, and pray for her family and all who mourn. In our diocese of islands and inlets, please pray for Anna, our Bishop, Lynn, our Metropolitan, and Linda, our Primate; for the parish of St. John the Divine, Courtenay; for The Territory of the People and Interim Bishop Jane Alexander; and in the Church further afield, for the Extra-Provincial Churches. Pray for the Staff of the Canadian College of Performing Arts, and for the families of Oak Bay Preschool.*

## **PEACE**

*The congregation stands*

Jesus said to them: 'Peace be with you. As the Father sends me, so I send you.' When he had said this he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you,  
***and also with you.***

*We share signs of Peace with those around us.*

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## **THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED**

*For safety, the Collection Plate has been placed at the back of the church for use as you arrive. It will be moved to the front of the church during the Offertory hymn and placed in a location where you may place your gifts as you come to receive Communion. Please also consider one of the other means of giving that do not require our volunteers and staff to handle cash and cheques: electronic donations on our website via CanadaHelps, or bi-weekly or monthly direct debit donations via our diocesan Electronic Collection Plate (details are available in a brochure at the entrance, or on the website: [www.stmarysoakbay.ca/donate](http://www.stmarysoakbay.ca/donate)).*

## OFFERTORY

*Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (70)*

1. Jesus, the joy of loving hearts,  
true source of life, our lives sustain;  
from the best bliss that earth imparts,  
we turn unfilled to you again.
2. Your truth unchanged has never stood;  
you rescue those who on you call:  
to those yet seeking, you are good;  
to those who find you, all in all.
3. We taste of you, the living bread,  
and long to feast upon you still.  
We drink from you, the fountainhead;  
our thirsty souls from you we fill.
4. Our restless spirits long for you,  
however may our lot be cast,  
glad when your gracious smile view,  
blessed when our faith can hold you fast.
5. Jesus, forever with us stay:  
make all our moments calm and bright;  
chase the dark night of sin away;  
spread through the world your holy light.

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Father, by your Holy Spirit you keep the Church in unity and truth. As we break bread together, may we be one with Christ in faith and hope and love, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*The Church of England, Eucharistic Prayer A  
with Preface for Pentecost*

*The congregation remains standing, as they are able*

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.***

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,  
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks  
because in fulfilment of your promise  
you pour out your Spirit upon us,



filling us with your gifts,  
leading us into all truth,  
and uniting peoples of many tongues  
in the confession of one faith.  
Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,  
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,  
for ever praising you and singing:

(719)

***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.***

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and as we follow his example and obey his command,  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit  
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us  
his body and his blood;

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat;  
this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup  
and gave you thanks;

he gave it to them, saying:  
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.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,  
we remember his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross;  
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
we look for the coming of your kingdom,  
and with this bread and this cup  
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

***Dying you destroyed our death,  
rising you restored our life:  
Lord Jesus, come in glory.***

Accept through him,  
our great high priest,  
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,  
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts  
in the presence of your divine majesty,  
renew us by your Spirit,  
inspire us with your love,  
and unite us in the body of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty,  
in songs of everlasting praise:

*Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours  
for ever and ever.*

*Amen.*

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour 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.*

*Silence is held*

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

*Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.*

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

## **THE COMMUNION**

*Please follow the direction of the greeters as they invite rows to receive communion. You are also welcome to approach the presider for a blessing only—this is traditionally indicated simply by crossing your hands over your chest as you approach.*

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## **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## COMMUNITY NOTES

### BLESSING OF LIGHT

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.  
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.  
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.  
Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;  
the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.  
With the new wine of the Spirit  
they proclaim your reign of love.  
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation  
the way of light is made known.  
Source of freedom, giver of life,  
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

#### ***Blessed be God for ever.***

*Each member of the congregation has a candle which is lit. A hymn is sung as the candles are lit*

### HYMN

*Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid (641)*

1. Creator spirit, by whose aid  
the world's foundations first were laid,  
come, visit every humble mind;  
come, pour thy joys on humankind;  
from sin and sorrow set us free,  
and make us temples worthy thee.
2. O source of uncreated light,  
the Father's promised Paraclete,  
thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire,  
our hearts with heavenly love inspire;  
come, and thy sacred unction bring  
to sanctify us while we sing.
3. Plenteous of grace, descend from high  
rich in thy sevenfold energy;  
make us eternal truths receive,  
and practice all that we believe;  
give us thyself, that we may see  
the Father and the Son by thee.
4. Immortal honour, endless fame,  
attend the almighty Father's name;  
the Saviour Son be glorified,  
who for the world's redemption died;  
and equal adoration be,  
eternal Paraclete, to thee.

### COMMISSION

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's Church here in Oak Bay, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting God to be your guide?

***By the Spirit's power, we will.***

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?

***We will.***

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

***We will.***

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God?

***We will.***

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?

***We will.***

*The Easter Candle is extinguished in silence.*

## **BLESSING**

The Lord is here.

***God's Spirit is with us.***

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

May the Spirit,  
who hovered over the waters when the world was created,  
breathe into you the life he gives.

***Amen.***

May the Spirit,  
who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us,  
make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

***Amen.***

May the Spirit,  
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost,  
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

***Amen.***

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the One who created you, the One who befriended you, and the One who has gifted you,  
be among you and remain with you always.

***Amen.***

## **DISMISSAL**

Filled with the Spirit's power,  
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia.

***Thanks be to God. Alleluia.***

## **POSTLUDE**

*Variations on "Veni Creator", Maurice Duruflé*

*The musical postlude is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for our encounter with God's Word as it has been experienced this day. You are invited to use this time for reflection, remaining seated.*



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*presents*



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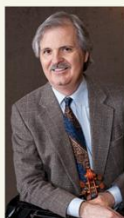
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