

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
EMANCIPATION SUNDAY
July 27, 2025



HOLY EUCHARIST – 10:30 AM

*This Eucharistic liturgy is based on the
Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Alternative Services***

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

*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.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS: *(you may remain seated during the welcome)*

OPENING HYMN: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 532 What A Friend We Have in Jesus

WHAT A FRIEND

GATHERING:

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

May his grace and peace be with you.
May he fill our hearts with joy.

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 ON HIGH:

CP 365

Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.

**We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King.
We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.**

**Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin,
have mercy Lord. Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer.**

**You only are the Lord. You only are most high.
You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ.
And now you reign with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us hold this moment open to the Spirit of God. *(A moment of silence)*

**O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen**

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

FIRST READING: Hosea 1:2-10

Yvonne O.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 85

BAS 818

SECOND READING: Acts 25:6-12; 26:24-32

Mary Jane M.

Hear what the spirit is saying to the church.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 458 Seek Ye First (Vs. 1, 2)

SEEK YE FIRST

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

(It is our custom to remain standing for the reading of the gospel. Please stand as you are able)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL RECESSIONAL: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 458 Seek Ye First (Vs. 1, 2)

SEEK YE FIRST

SERMON:

Rev. Vernon Foster

AFFIRMING OUR CHRISTIAN NARRATIVE – APOSTLES' CREED

**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

Julia R.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Let us call to mind and confess those times in our lives where we have fallen of God's purposes for as we firmly resolve to live in love and peace with our neighbour:

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:

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God by the cross. We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

OFFERTORY HYMN: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 572 Let There Be Light

CONCORD

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:

God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer which earth has given and human hands have made.

For us it becomes the bread of life. Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

For us it becomes the cup of salvation. Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: (A Eucharistic Prayer for Emancipation Sunday)

(You are invited to stand during the Eucharistic Prayer is you desire)

The Lord is here
God's Spirit is with us

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 praise your holy name:

SANCTUS

CP 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.**

God of deliverance and hope Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again

God of the broken-hearted... gracious God, now and forever. **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Music by Mary Jackson for St. Paul's

As our Saviour taught us, we are bold to sing:

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:

The Bread which we break, is it not the sharing of the Body of Christ?

We, who are many, are one body for we all partake of the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION:

All are welcome to join us for communion. Our practice is to share the wine from a common cup.

For health reasons you are asked not to dip the bread wafer into the wine.

If you prefer, you may receive bread only. If you are gluten free, please ask for a gluten free wafer.

If you do not wish to receive communion, cross your arms in front of you to indicate to the clergy that you would like a blessing instead. We are happy to come to your seat to serve communion

if you are unable to come forward – do let the greeter know.

COMMUNION HYMN: (Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)

CP 617 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

ST. BOTOLPH

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

Give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious

Our Lord's mercy endures forever.

Let us pray,

God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. 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

The peace of God,

who hears the cry of the oppressed, who feeds the hungry and sets the captives free,
be always with you.

May Christ our liberator walk with you through every valley, uphold you in every struggle, and guide you into the ways of justice and peace;

and the blessing....

SENDING FORTH HYMN: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 399 Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET

DISMISSAL

Our service has ended our mission begins. Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.