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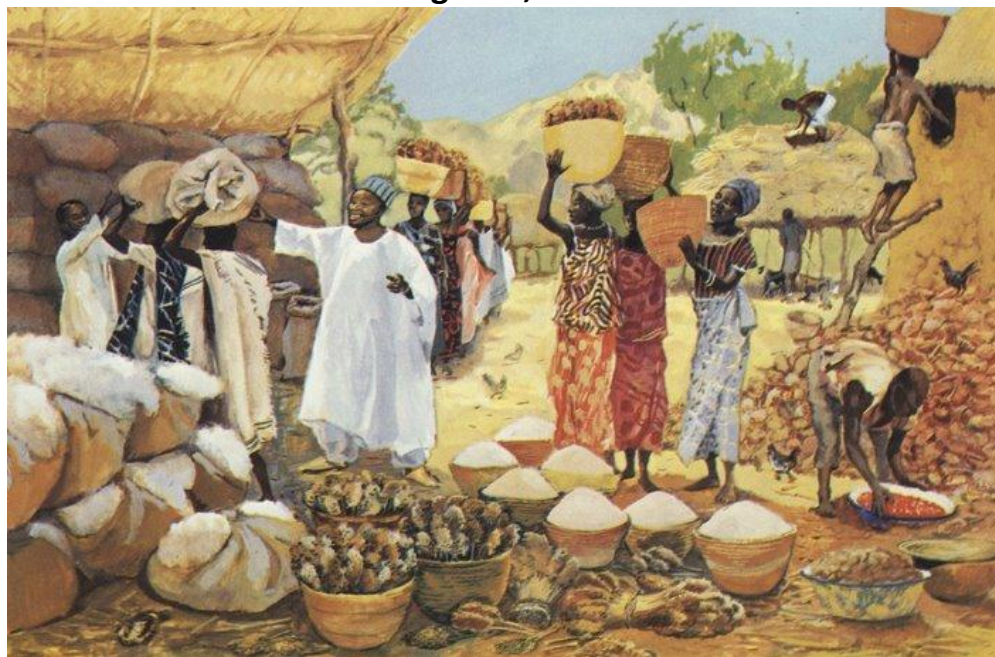
Rev. Sr. Ingrid Andersen, Priest

***"Together in Christ
we seek to love God and
to love and serve all others"***

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Service

August 3, 2025



JESUS MAFA. The Rich Fool, from Art in the Christian Tradition.

Sunday Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite)

10:00 a.m. (Contemporary)

Office Hours Tues to Thurs 9:00-Noon (closed Monday & Friday)

Online Bible Study Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

If you are new to our parish, please identify yourself to the sidespersons or priest so we can welcome you and tell you about our church.

We recognize that we worship on the traditional lands of Coast Salish peoples. We commit ourselves to continue with our First Nations neighbours on the journey of healing, truth, and reconciliation.

Reverend Ingrid Andersen presides and preaches.

This service is being broadcast live on the Internet. By attending this morning, you acknowledge and consent to the fact that video images of you may appear there.

<p>10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Alternative Services, p. 185</p>

*Lay Eucharistic Minister is Paul Francoeur
Sidespeople are Rose Chandler & Jose Perena Pratt
Ministry of the Chalice – Joan Hoffman & Lydia French
Director of Music is Nell Howard
Livestream – Shirley Robertson*

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Leader: As we meet today, we begin by remembering the Songhees and Esquimalt nations, on whose traditional land we now gather in gratitude. We acknowledge their story and their stewardship of the land and water, the plants, and animals, through the many generations. As we meet today, we remember those who have called this place their home in recent years — the community of faith known as Church of the Advent. Let us greet one another with words and signs of welcome.

Opening Hymn: CP 362 Tell Out, My Soul

Sentence of the Day: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Collect of the Day: Almighty God, **your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat at the Chancel:

Hymn: MV 92 Like a Rock

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Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet.
Like the starry night sky God is over our head.
Like the sun on the horizon God is ever before.
Like the river runs to ocean, our home is in God ev-er-more.

First Reading: Hosea 11:1-11

Scott Weatherell

When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all. How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. They shall go after the Lord, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the Lord.

Hear what the Spirit says to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 107: 1-9, 43 (BAS Pg. 852)

Paul Francoeur

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, * **and his mercy endures for ever.**

Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim * **that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.**

He gathered them out of the lands; * **from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.**

Some wandered in desert wastes; * **they found no way to a city where they might dwell.**

They were hungry and thirsty; * **their spirits languished within them.**

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, * **and he delivered them from their distress.**

He put their feet on a straight path * **to go to a city where they might dwell.**

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy * **and the wonders he does for his children.**

For he satisfies the thirsty * **and fills the hungry with good things.**

Whoever is wise will ponder these things, * **and consider well the mercies of the Lord.**

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11

Lydia French

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things - anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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(Please stand as you are able for the Gradual Hymn.)

Gradual Hymn: VU 694 To Us All, To Every Nation

Author: James Russell Lowell (1845)

To us all, to every nation comes a moment to decide,
in the strife of truth with falsehood for the good or evil side,
some great cause, some modern prophet offering each the bloom or blight,
and the choice goes by for ever 'twixt that darkness and that light.

Then to side with truth is noble when we share its wretched crust,
ere the cause bring fame and profit and 'tis prosperous to be just.
Then it is the brave one chooses, while the coward stands aside
till the multitude make virtue of the faith they had denied.

By the light of burning martyrs, Jesus' bleeding feet we track,
toiling up new Calvaries ever with the cross that turns not back;
new occasions teach new duties, time makes ancient good uncouth;
they must upward still and onward, who would keep abreast of truth.

Though the cause of evil prosper, yet 'tis truth alone is strong,
though its portion be the scaffold and upon the throne be wrong.
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and, behind the dim unknown,
there stands God within the shadow, keeping watch beside God's own.

(Please remain standing for the Gospel reading)

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.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Rev. Ingrid Andersen

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things

you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Rev. Ingrid Andersen

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People:

Sue Hamblin

(Please be seated for the prayers)

Each petition will end with – Lord, in your mercy.

Please respond with – **Hear our prayer.**

Confession & Absolution: God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

Merciful God, **we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Through the cross of Christ, God have mercy on you, pardon you and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

-From A New Zealand Prayer Book

(Please stand as you are able for the Peace)

The Peace:

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you!**

All are warmly welcomed to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer not to receive communion but prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free bread is available upon request. Please leave your communion glasses in the bowls on the left and right as you return to your seat.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: CP 615 Just As I Am

Prayer over the Gifts: God our sustainer, accept all we offer you this day, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer: #1 (BAS Pg. 193)

The Sanctus: VU 951 Santo, Santo, Santo (Anon., Argentina)

Santo, santo, santo. Mi Corazón te Adora!
Mi Corazón te sabe decir; Santo eres Dios!
Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, God!

Lord's Prayer:

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Our Father in heaven, hallow'd be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heav'n. 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:

Communion Anthem: Christ Has No Body Now but Yours *Sung by Choir*

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(Please stand as you are able for the Prayer after Communion)

Prayer after Communion: God of grace, we have shared in the mystery of the body and blood of Christ. May we who have tasted the bread of life live with you for ever. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

SENDING FORTH

Shared Ministry:

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Sending out of Lay Eucharistic Visitors:

In the name of God and of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in Christ's body and blood.

We being many, are one body, because we all share in the one bread.

May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Blessing:

Commissioning Hymn: CP 513 Guide My Feet

Commissioning:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ!

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INTERCESSIONS

TODAY WE PRAY

We pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

We pray for our new Primate Shane, John our new Metropolitan,

Anna our Bishop, and Ingrid our Priest.

*In the Western Peninsula & Gulf Islands region for the parish and neighbourhood of
St. Philip, Cedar, and the Rev. Leslie Flynn.*

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

*We pray for those who have asked for our prayers and for those we know and love,
especially Beth, Mike, Dayle, Trevor, Barb, Larry, Lenn, Jim, Geoff & Kim, David,
Cena, Kathy, Sherma, Peter, Susan, Nolan, Kathy, Ann, Graham, Jim, Wayne, Neil,
Christopher, Dianne, Brandon, Jo, and the residents and staff of Broadmead Lodge.*

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

SHARED MINISTRY

Compassion in Action Ministry – Please consider contributing to our Goldstream Food bank donation box if you don't already. Mid summer can be a difficult time for the food bank, as there are not as many campaigns aiding food banks at this time of year. Midsummer can also be a difficult time for families with children who rely on school meal programs. When giving, please also consider back to school items, as well as food and toiletries. - *With gratitude from the Compassion in Action Team.*

Daily Devotionals - The new Forward Day by Day daily devotions book for August, September and October are now available. Feel free to pick one up in the Narthex, and take one for a friend.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Aug 9 Games Night, 5 pm, Hall

Aug 13 Community Coffee Social, 9:30-11 am

Aug 19 Parish Council Mtg, 7 pm

Aug 23 Spanish Service & potluck, 6 pm

Sept 6 Taize Service, 5 pm

Sept 10 Community Coffee Social, 9:30-11 am

Sept 14 Welcome Back Sunday

Sept 16 Parish Council Mtg, 7 pm

Sept 21 Jazz Vespers, 7 pm

Sept 24 Ladies Guild Lunch, 12 pm

Sept 27 Spanish Service & potluck, 6 pm

Sept 28 Parish Coffee Welcome

Sept 29 Book Sale Prep Week starts

Oct 4 BOOK SALE DAY

Taize Service, 5 pm

Oct 25 Order of the Diocese of B.C.

Visitor Bishop Anna & confirmations at Spanish Service, 6 pm