EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



August 3, 2025

"One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."

Note: We are a Scent Free Facility for the health and comfort of those with allergies. Thank you for helping us care for one another.

Welcome, Introduction & Invitation to Stillness

Presider We gather on the ancestral and unceded lands of the

kwikwəkəm (Kwikwetlem), qicəy (Katzie), and other

Coast Salish peoples.

We honour their stewardship of this land and commit

ourselves to the path of reconciliation.

Opening Acclamation

Presider We come, not trusting in our own strength,

All But in God's mercy and love.

Presider We bring our burdens, our hopes, our questions,

All God receives us with compassion and grace.

Presider Rich or poor, secure or uncertain

All We are all invited to rest in God's care.

Gathering Hymn - The Love of Jesus Calls Us (CP 434)

- 1. The love of Jesus calls us our joyous praise to sing; our deeply felt thanksgivings we now together bring, for all God's many blessings, unasked yet still received, and for the generations who faithfully believed.
- 2. The love of Jesus calls us, that we may always be companions on a journey, where all the world may see that serving Christ is freedom which time does not destroy; where Christ's command is duty, and every duty joy.
- 3. The love of Jesus calls us to go where he would go, to challenge all that limits, to change, to learn, to grow, to know that Christ has freed us, that prisons are no more; for those who seek his kingdom, Christ opens every door.
- 4. The love of Jesus calls us in swiftly changing days, to be God's co-creators in new and wondrous ways; that God with men and women may so transform the earth, that love and peace and justice may give God's kingdom birth.

Presider God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Presider Let us pray, Loving God,

All you know the fears we carry,
the treasures we chase,
and the desires that leave us empty.
In this time of worship,
unfold our clenched hands,
quiet our anxious striving,
and awaken trust in your abundance.
Draw us near to your heart,

that we may become rich in love and mercy. Amen.

Collect of the Day (the special prayer which 'collects' the theme of the day)

Presider God of compassion,

whose care never fails

even when we turn away from you:

teach us to trust not in what we possess,

but in your generous love.

Loosen our grip on things that perish,

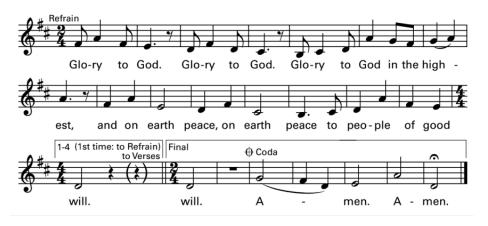
that we might open our lives

to the treasures of your kingdom

through Jesus Christ,

who invites us to be rich toward God. Amen.

Gloria - Glory to God - Mass of Christ the Saviour



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Proclamation of the Word

The Readings

Presider Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes

to us through the reading of the Holy Scriptures.

All Our hearts and minds are open

First Reading - Hosea 11:1-11

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm - Psalm 107:1-9 - God's Steadfast Love Endures Forever



- 1. We give you thanks, O God, for you are good, and your mercy endures for ever.

 Let all those whom you redeemed proclaim that you rescued them from the hand of the foe. You gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. *Refrain*
- 2. 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. *Refrain*
- 3. Then they cried out to you in their trouble, and you delivered them from their distress. You put their feet on a straight path to go to a city where they might dwell. *Refrain*
- 4. Let them give thanks to you for your mercy and the wonders you do for your children. For you satisfy the thirsty and fill the hungry with good things. Whoever is wise will ponder these things, and consider well the mercies of God. *Refrain*

Second Reading - Colossians 3:1-11

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying

All Thanks be to God

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel Reading

Gospel Acclamation



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Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel – *Luke 12:13-21*

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily Rev. Philip Cochrane

Affirming Our Faith

Presider Together, we declare the faith that holds us and the hope that leads us.

All We believe in God, the Source of Life, by whom every being in heaven and earth is created, named, and sustained.

We believe in God, the Living Word, who restores us to relationship and speaks to us through faith.

We believe in God, the Holy Spirit, who comforts, guides, and strengthens us to share the good news of grace.

We believe in God, one, holy, undivided Trinity: Source of Life, Living Word, Comforter: Mystery. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution

Presider We confess not only our wrongs,

but also the places where we have trusted more in ourselves

than in the mercy of God.

Let us return again to the One who draws us in love.

We keep a moment of quiet for reflection

Presider God of all mercy,

All we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Saviour Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Presider In a world that teaches us to compete and store away,

we meet one another in a spirit of trust and generosity.

The peace of Christ is not earned, bought, or hoarded-

it is freely given.

Let us share that peace now.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

The Peace is shared in the community, respecting personal boundaries

Offertory

In gratitude for all we've received, we offer of ourselves back to God. Bread, wine, and money symbolize the fruits of our labour. If you give through Pre-Authorized Donations or e-transfer (office@saintlaurence.ca), you're welcome to use a blue card to represent your offering to the glory of God.

Offertory Hymn - In This Place (OCP 288)



Prayer over the Gifts

Presider Generous God,

All we offer these gifts, not to secure our future,

but to participate in your present work of

healing and hope.

Teach us to give freely, as you have given to us

with open hands and grateful hearts.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Celebration of our Sacred Meal

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider God is with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Open your hearts.

All We open them to God.

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All We give our thanks and praise.

Presider Cosmic Artist, you made our world ---

beautiful, wholesome, and good.

You made us to live in right relationship

with you and all creation.

You sent Jesus to live among us and show us what you are like.

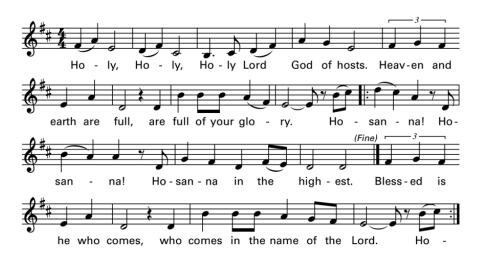
We bring our grateful, worshipping hearts to you,

our awesome God.

You formed the earth and all that dwells here, the seas below and the skies above. You crafted all creatures and inspired them, animating all with your Spirit of love.

Therefore, you alone are worthy of glory, honour and praise. And so, we join with the heavenly beings and all of creation as we sing:

Sanctus - Holy - Mass of Christ the Saviour



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Presider Indeed, all glory and honour are yours, our true and loving God.

Of your grace you sent Jesus to live among us, to share our humanity and daily life, to proclaim the coming of justice and peace, and to give himself for us.

Through Jesus Christ we are reconciled to you and restored to the goodness you intended for us.

On the night before he died, Jesus ate supper with his friends.

He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them, saying,

"Take and eat. This is my very self, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks and gave it to them, saying,

"Drink it, all of you.

This cup is a new covenant poured out for you and all people. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, we remember: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, and, longing for Christ's coming again in glory, we present these gifts to you.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, so that we who share this bread and wine may live in your hope, seek your peace, further your joy and share your love.

Draw us together in Christ, and, in the fullness of time, gather us with all your people into the joy of your eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you, our God and Creator, and give you our unending praise. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer



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The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

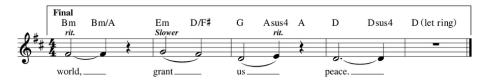
Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Lamb of God







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The Invitation

Presider This is the table of grace

where the risen Christ meets us, not in perfection, but in love.

Come: not because you understand everything, but because you're hungry for something deeper.

Come and be fed.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

The Distribution

At St. Laurence, everyone is invited to the table. You may receive only the bread or both bread and wine. Non-fermented grape juice is available in the ceramic chalice, and gluten-free wafers are offered—just ask at the distribution. If you prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest.

Communion Hymn - Seek Ye First (CP 458)

 Seek ye first the kingdom of God And God's righteousness
 And all these things shall be added unto you Al-le-lu, Al-le-lu-ia

Refrain:

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia Al-le-lu, Al-le-lu-ia

2. Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and you shall find Knock and the door Shall be opened unto you Al-le-lu, Al-le-lu-ia *Refrain*

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Communion Hymn - Canticle of the Turning (OCP 860)

1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout
That the God of my heart is great
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things
That you bring to the ones who wait
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight
And my weakness you did not spurn
So from east to west shall my name be blest
Could the world be about to turn?

Refrain:

My heart shall sing of the day you bring Let the fires of your justice burn Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near And the world is about to turn!

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2. Though I am small, my God, my all
You work great things in me
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past
To the end of the age to be
Your very name puts the proud to shame
And to those who would for you yearn
You will show your might, put the strong to flight
For the world is about to turn

Refrain:

My heart shall sing of the day you bring Let the fires of your justice burn Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near And the world is about to turn!

- 3. From the halls of power to the fortress tower Not a stone will be left on stone
 Let the king beware for your justice tears
 Every tyrant from his throne
 The hungry poor shall weep no more
 For the food they can never earn
 There are tables spread, every mouth be fed
 For the world is about to turn *Refrain*
- 4. Though the nations rage from aga to age
 We remember who holds us fast
 God's mercy must deliver us
 From the conqueror's crushing grasp
 This saving word that our forebears heard
 Is the promise which holds us bound
 'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God
 Who is turning the world around *Refrain*

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Moment of Silence

Take a moment to be still and know God. Let the world's noise fade as you listen for the deep stillness beneath it all. The silence begins and ends with the ringing of a bell.

Prayer after Communion

Presider God of abundance,

All you have fed us with bread for the journey

and reminded us again that we are yours.

May we go from this table

not full of ourselves,

but filled with trust in your love

and eagerness to share what we have received. Amen.

Presider Glory to God,

All 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.

Announcements

Blessing

Presider Go now into a world where barns will not save you

and possessions will not protect you.

Let your heart be shaped

by the mercy that never runs out,

and your life be guided

by the One who calls you beloved.

And the blessing of God —

the Source of all life,

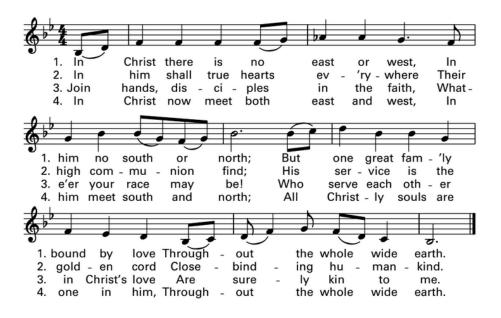
the Word made flesh,

and the Spirit who breathes trust and freedom:

be upon you and remain with you,

this day and always. Amen

Closing Hymn - In Christ There is No East or West (OCP 279)Text:



CM; Galatians 3:28; John Oxenham, 1852–1941. Music: Spiritual; adapted by Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949.

Minister Go in peace,

trusting not in what you can hold, but in the love that holds you.

All Thanks be to God.

The flowers on the altar are given by Erin Barr, in memory of her father, and in thanksgiving for a wonderful life lived.

We love you and miss you

Dad, Grandpa, Papa.

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NEWS & NOTES

Wednesday Morning Service - 9:00 am

This service is a Bible Study and Communion all rolled into one. A great way to begin your day!



Anglican Calendars - 2026

It's that time again...to place your order for your Anglican Calendars for 2026.

Cost: \$8.00

Please let the office know if you would like one, no later than **September 7, 2025**.

Sunday, August 17, 2025

We will be having a joint service at Good Shepherd Lutheran church, I504 Spruce Ave, Coquitlam.starting at 10:30 AM.

Rev. Philip will be preaching, and will be featuring some of the music and fun from our week of VBS.

There'll be a picnic outdoors on the lawn after the service.

Hotdogs will be grilled on the bbq, and everyone is invited to bring a **side dish** or a **dessert** (potluck style).

We'll have some tables set up but people are also welcome to bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets to spread out over the yard.

There will be a **Spoken Service and Communion** at St. Laurence at 10:00 am that morning as well.



Memorial Notice

In memory of <u>Irene Hegarty</u> formerly of Coquitlam and lately of Ladysmith, Vancouver Island, who passed away on July 21, 2025

"She was a wonderful wife to John, sister to Pat and mother to Peter and Susan. She was a true lady and a lady always knows when to leave....

Until we meet again we will hold our memories dear. With love always - Your family. God bless you."

No service at the request of the family. Ashes will be laid to rest at a later date.

"This blessing knows the secret of the empty place.
It knows how to make a way in the silence, how to abide in the stillness. It knows the things that are lost and how to live with what remains until it becomes blessing again."

-Jan Richardson. The Cure for Sorrow