



10:00 am

August 31, 2025 — *Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost*

Opening Hymn: "Sing A New Song" (CP #312)

Land Acknowledgement

Call to Worship

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

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.**

Sung Gloria: "Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo" (CP #376)

The Collect

Inviting God, laying open your table to those without status or power, and setting a place for the foreign and the unwanted: overturn our tables of power and teach us to receive bread from strange and wounded hands; through Jesus Christ, the one given for all. **Amen.**

The First Reading: Jeremiah 2:4-13 (*Barb Herbert*)

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Sing with joy to God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said,
‘Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.’

And yet my people did not hear my voice,
and Israel would not obey me.

So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts,
to follow their own devices.

Oh, that my people would listen to me!

That Israel would walk in my ways!

I should soon subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.

Those who hate the Lord would cringe before me,
and their punishment would last for ever.

But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat
and satisfy them with honey from the rock.”

**Glory to God, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**

The Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 (*Beverley Unsworth*)

Gradual Hymn: “What Wondrous Love is This” (CP #400)

The Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14 (*Vicky Erickson*)

The Sermon: *The Reverend Marnie Peterson*

“Silence & Stillness for Prayer & Reflection”

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 Intercession (*Cliff Caprani*)

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

~ *Silence is kept* ~

God of all mercy, 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 Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive 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.**

The Peace: The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: "From All the Wind's Wide Quarters" (CP #43)

— *The Celebration of the Eucharist* —

Prayer Over the Gifts

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, so that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

May God be with you. **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

(CP #732)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sung Lord's Prayer *by Gordon Light*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed 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.

Communion Anthem: "Come, Share with God" (VU #469) *verses 1, 2, 1*

Come to the banquet for now all is ready.

These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

If you require a gluten free wafer, please only extend one hand. If you do not feel comfortable drinking from the cup, please just acknowledge it and let it pass.

We ask that you refrain from intincting or dipping your wafer.

Communion Hymn: "Laudate Dominum" (CP #313)

Prayer After Communion

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and 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.

Sung Blessing

The Closing Hymn: “Who Comes from God?” (CP #392)

The Dismissal: Go in peace, share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Announcements

Flowers in Worship

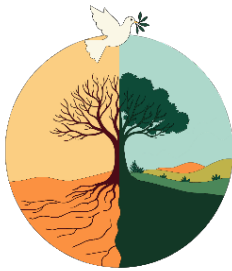
The flowers this morning are given by Ivy Choung and her six siblings in memory of their parents Pierre and Elizabeth Leung-Yinko.

St. Anne’s International Cookbook

Would you be interested in contributing to this fundraising project – either with your own recipes or with organizing and formatting to final product, or both?! Please look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

St. Anne’s is a vibrant community offering programing for all ages. Find everything we have happening on our website; plug into our social media channels for breaking news; and contact us any time for more information.





PEACE WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Garden of Peace
Isaiah 32:14-18

Season of Creation Book Club: “Our Home and Treaty Land” by The Rev. Dr. Ray Aldred

Books can be purchased through the Church Office for \$20. Read Ray’s book during the month of September and join us on the 21st to discuss.

Prayers for Peace Quilt

Each Sunday after the services, there will be tables set up in the hall with fabric and fabric pens. People are invited to write or draw a prayer for Peace or Creation or both, on a piece of fabric. At the end of the Season, Gail Newell will sew them together to make a small patchwork prayer quilt to be hung in the church.

Blanket Exercise: September 7 from 1 – 4pm

Join us at Beth Tikvah for a powerful, interactive workshop led by Melaney Gleeson-Lyall and Anne Wicks, exploring the shared history of Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. Open to teens and adults; suggested donation \$20.

Shoreline Clean-Up: September 20 from 10 am – 12 pm

Meet at the parking area at the end of Francis Road and we’ll clean along the sides of the West Dyke path from Francis to Blundell.

Potluck Lunch & Book Discussion: September 21 (*after the 10 am service*)

The Rev. Dr. Ray Aldred will preach at both worship services then join us for a potluck lunch and book talk about “Our Home and Treaty Land.” All are invited!

Feast of St. Francis & Blessing of the Animals: Sunday, October 4

It would not be a proper Season of Creation if we didn’t close with a celebration of St. Francis and a Blessing of the Animals, a beloved St. Anne’s tradition.



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*We gather and worship on the ancestral and unceded territories
of the Coast Salish Peoples.*