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Archbishop & Metropolitan and the Bishop of the Diocese of New Westminster: The Most Reverend John Stephens



# Holy Cross Day Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us in-person and online today.

#### The Gathering of the Community

please stand

The Presider greets the community

# A Land Acknowledgement for Use at St Clement's

Written by Jenn Ashton, Indigenous Cultural Sensitivity Leader Read by: Donna Burdick

At St. Clement's Church, we appreciate that we currently reside, work, and worship in the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary lands of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

We recognize, support, advocate for and are grateful to Indigenous individuals and communities who live here now and for those who were forcibly removed from their homelands.

By offering this land acknowledgement, we work to hold ourselves and others more accountable to the needs and rights of Indigenous peoples, here and everywhere.

I, as part of St. Clement's, gratefully and respectfully carry these thoughts today and every day to be reminded of the importance of teaching, culture and contributions of the original caretakers of this land.

# The Opening Hymn: Sing a new song unto the Lord CP 312

Refrain: Sing a new song unto the Lord;

Let your song be sung from mountains high.

Sing a new song unto the Lord,

Singing alleluia.

Yahweh's people dance for joy.
O come before the Lord
And play for God on glad tambourines,
And let your trumpet sound.

Refrain

Rise, O children, from your sleep; Your Saviour now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, And filled your soul with song.

Refrain

Glad my soul, for I have seen
The glory of the Lord.
The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised I know my Saviour lives.

Refrain

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

All And also with you.

Presider Almighty God,

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/ Gloire à Dieu SANC 177

this is a "repeat after me song" led by the choir

#### The Collect

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

**Presider** Healer of the nations,

your beloved was lifted on the wood of the cross and exalted as Lord of all creation.
 Grant that all who believe in him may have the gift of eternal life and share in the glory of your promised reign of justice and peace. Amen.

#### The Children's Talk

The Reverend Helen Dunn

please sit

Hear God's Word, a flame that lights our path each day.

See God's Word, reflected in our lives.

Live God's Word, throughout each day, in work and play.

God's own Word, keeps us alive.

(Music: Lynne Graham: Lyrics: Lynley Lewis)

#### A reading from the Book of Numbers (21: 4b-9)

Henry Bloye

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the

wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader Holy Word. Holy Wisdom.

All Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 98** (1-6) Inclusive Language Psalter. Anglican Church of Canada (2016).

The presider reads the un-bolded verses and the people read the bolded ones

- Sing a new song to the Lord,who has done marvellous things,whose mighty hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- 2 O Lord, you have made known the victory; you have openly shown your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- 3 You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen your victory, O God.
- 4 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.
- 5 Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.
- 6 With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before our sovereign, the Lord.

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

# A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (1: 18-24) Alana Prashad

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

*Reader* Holy Word. Holy Wisdom. *All* Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn: Glorious in Majesty CP 618 please stand

Glorious in majesty, Holy in his praises, Jesus, our Saviour and our King. Born a man, yet God of old, Let us all adore him. Filled with his Spirit, let us sing.

Refrain: Living is to love him,

Serving him to know his freedom.

Come along with us to join the praise of Jesus.

Come to Jesus now;

Go to live his word rejoicing.

Victory he won for us,
Freeing us from darkness,
Dying and rising from the dead.
Living with the Father now,
Yet he is among us.
We are the body, he the head.

Refrain

#### The Gospel

Please all stand for the Gospel as you are able

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

**Deacon** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (3: 13-17).

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

[Jesus said] No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

**Deacon** The Gospel of Christ **All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

#### the song continues

One in love, as family, Living with each other, Gladly we share each other's pain. Yet he will not leave us so, Soon he is returning, Taking us back with him to reign.

Refrain

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Music: Melody Israeli trad.; harm. Jeff Cothran (19??-).

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The Sermon

The Reverend Helen Dunn

please sit

sermon notes

Silence for Reflection

The Shema please stand

Cantor Hear, O Israel, God is one.

All Love the Lord, your God
With all your heart,
All your soul,
All your mind,

All your strength. (O) Repeat x3

Cantor Hear, O Israel. God is love.

All Love your neighbour as you love yourself,
(O) Repeat x3

Cantor Hear O Israel.
This is God's way.

Text and Music: Rev. David Taylor. Adapted by Lynley Lewis (2018).

#### **Confession and Absolution**

Dear Friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy. God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins confident in God's forgiveness.

#### All 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.

Presider 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.

All Amen.

The Peace please stand

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Please offer peace to one another with a nod, bow, handshake or hug.

# The Offertory Hymn: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross CP 386

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the cross of Christ, my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

> Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748).

Music: Melody Psalmody in Miniature, Second Supplement, 1780?;

harm: Edward Miller (1731- 1807); desc. David R. Riley (1947-) ©.

#### The Celebration of the Eucharist

# The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of honey and harvest,

All Of grain and grape

Of ocean and orchard:

This harvest time

May we both praise and pray;

Praise you for the abundance

And pray that this harvest is not just shared

But shared justly. Amen.

If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to share in the breaking of bread.

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

# Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord SANC 213

All sing Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, in the highest.

Music: Mass of the City of Light, Brigid Coult, 1990, ©.

Presider Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

All Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

Presider Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us in the language closest to your heart,

All
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

**Presider** Great Big Creator God

All Baker of loaves of bread

Maker of cups of wine

Setter of tables for feasts

Choose to come to our little table

And set a meal here for us.

#### The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

please sit

If you are not physically receiving Communion, then offer this prayer ....

In union, O God, with all your faithful people gathered wherever the eucharist is celebrated this day, I offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption given to us through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I pray you come into my heart, my soul and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you. May I serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your promised reign of justice and peace; through Christ and in the unity of the Spirit. Amen.

# **Music during Communion**

# Confitemini Domino (Come and Fill Our Hearts) CP 402

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia!

Text: Latin: Ps. 118. 1; Eng. para. Taizé Community (France).

Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

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### Let my prayer rise SFAGP 129

Let my prayer rise before you as incense; The lifting up of my hands as a pleasing sacrifice.

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# The Prayer after Communion

please stand

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.

All and your faithful servants bless you.
Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Sending

Community Announcements
Blessing for Intercessory Prayer Ministers

sit

Dave Parry and Beth Bailey

Blessing and dismissal

The Closing Hymn: Lift High the Cross CP 602

please stand

Refrain Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim

Till all the world adore the sacred name!

Come Christian people, sing your praises, shout! If we are silent, even stones cry out.

Refrain Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore the sacred name!

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife:

Teach us compassion for each human life. Refrain

Peace was your plea, and peace your loving theme:

Let peace be our passport, peace a living dream. Refrain

Great is the cost of walking on this road,

To follow and suffer with the Son of God. Refrain

Worlds to be born and children yet to be,

Come, take up this song into eternity. Refrain

Text: Refrain George William Kitchin (1827-1912); st. 1-5 Shirley Erena Murray (1931-), alt.

Music: Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

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#### Postlude "All to Jesus, I Surrender"

Clara Lin\*

Intercessory Prayers for any concerns happen after the service, with an intercessory team, in the chancel (behind the Ambo or place where people speak from). Please wait until there is a chair free, to leave privacy for the person ahead of you.

**Pastoral Care:** Pastoral concerns may be referred to the Reverend Helen Dunn at 236-888-4938. Please let the clergy know if you or a family member is in hospital.

# **Scripture Readings for next Sunday:**

Jer 8:18—9:1; Ps 79:1-9; 1 Tim 2:1-7; Lk 16:1-13

<sup>\*</sup>Clara Lin was our accompanist this Sunday. She is a professional jazz pianist. Please give her a warm welcome ©

Hello all St. Clement's Parents and Children,

St. Clement's continues to cherish members of all ages including children. If you would like your child/ren to participate in Sunday School, they can follow the teachers down into the lower hall following the Children's talk. They will remain in school until the passing of the Peace, where they will be returned to you. If your child/ren would like to remain upstairs in the service, that is fine also. There are coloring activities and toys under the front pew on the right that they can take to their pew. Children can take any colouring or activities completed with them at the end of the service but will be asked to leave any other contents (e.g. toys, craft supplies, crayons etc.) behind to be reused in future weeks. Anyone who has questions/thoughts about or would like to help with the Children's Ministry at St. Clement's is encouraged to contact Beth, whose email address is near the back of the bulletin.

# What's On This Week and Beyond

**This afternoon 4 pm** Come out to move the pews to prepare for the dance on Friday. Contact Donna.

**Tuesday** 1-3 pm The Park Jam- guitar and singing musical drop in. Contact Mike

Krouzelka.

**3 pm Power Hour Prayer** on zoom- contact Lynne Graham.

We give thanks and pray for the world and our community. All are

welcome. Everything is confidential.

Wednesday 10.30 am Bible Study will resume on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

7.30 pm Bible Study- contact Lynne Graham.

**7.30 am The ROMEOs** meet at Cora's Restaurant, cnr Marine Dr. and & Fell, for

breakfast and Bible Study. (Retired Old Men Eating Out). Contact David Smith.

**10.30 am Bales for the North Knitting group-** contact Sylvia Enga.

6.45- 10.30 pm Swing into Fall Swing Dancing Night here at the church.

Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased on the website or at the door.

# What's On This Week and Beyond continued...

Saturday 11 am Hillary Carpenter's (Heather Parlongo's mother) Memorial Service at St

Clement's.

**Sunday** after church. Server pizza party and training session. Contact Helen Dunn.

Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup> 11 am- 4 pm LV Bonsai Show and Sale at St Clement's.

Contact David Bailey.

**Sunday September 28**<sup>th</sup> **12:15-1:15 pm Adult Confirmation Classes start.** Contact Helen Dunn if you'd like to participate. (other classes are on Oct 5, 12, 19)



#### **Ministry Connections**

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\*if you'd like to talk to Donna, please do so between 5 and 6 pm any day except Wednesdays

and Thursdays.

#### **Ministry Lay Leaders this Week**

Altar set-up and clean-up Jason Rajan

A/V Technician Sean Faivre-Duboz

Counters Gordon Graham and Ian Thomas

Eucharistic Ministers Dave and Wilna Parry

Eucharistic Bread Lynne Graham

Intercessory Prayers Dave Parry and Beth Bailey

Prayers of the Community Jason Rajan

Readers Henry Bloye and Alana Prashad Servers Lucy Makina and Kassie Barnes

Sidespeople Joseph and Junita Liu

Tea/Coffee hosts Delayne Sartison (T) and Audrey Yong (A)

#### **Prayers:** The following are for your prayers this week

*In our own Diocese:* Pray for John, our Bishop and Archbishop and Metropolitan; for Stephen, our Archdeacon; Helen, our Regional Dean; and for the North Vancouver Anglican churches. Pray for Shane Parker, our Primate; Chris Harper, National Indigenous Archbishop. In our diocesan cycle of prayers this week we pray for St Oswald, Port Kells and St Paul, Vancouver. We pray for all students at the Vancouver School of Theology (including kevîn).

For the wider Church: Pray for the Anglican Church of South America. Pray for the clergy and people in the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines and for our partner parish of St Clement of Alexandria, Payeo. For all Pastors/Priests and congregations of other denominations in Lynn Valley and around the world.

In our parish community: Pray for: Helen, our priest; Peggy, our deacon (and the diocesan Archdeacon for Deacons); Elizabeth, our retired deacon; Jenn Ashton, our Indigenous Cultural Sensitivity Leader and for her diaconal discernment process; Beth, our parish administrator and children's ministry worker; Lynley, our music director, Brianna, our cleaner and our wardens: David Smith and Donna Burdick. In our cycle of ministries, we pray for everyone involved in corporate prayer- service leaders of the prayers, power hour prayer, prayer chain and intercessory prayers.

*In our parish cycle of prayers:* Pray for Carol Longman; Aaron, Julianna, Owen and Morgan Machell-Baker and for their extended families.

*For healing:* Pray for Amin; Pat Alexander; Stuart Appenheimer; Beth Bailey; RL Birmingham; S. Birmingham; J. Birmingham and M. Mezzaroba; AJ Mezzaroba; Delena Bogard; Oliver Christie; Marie-Claire Concannon; Joanna; Kitty; young Clayton; K Coyne; Gerry; Margie Dacey; Marion Edwards; Lorna and Leah Goodwin; Alex Hazell; Barbel Ismen; Olivia; Kelsie Potter; Carol Rowland; Tony S and for their families, caregivers and medical staff.

*In thanksgiving:* for the life of George Banham. Be with all who grieve; for the recovery of Rodrigo Suarez.

For outreach: Pray for all newcomers to Canada: Honada & family, Bukhari, Neema Grace, Malis and his family, Fatemeh, Nasrullah, Nasrin & family; Shahla & family, for Bunyamin & family. Pray for protection and safety for those waiting to come: Tsaw Hsar Gay, Lu Kay Paw, Alexander and Ly Gler from Myanmar; for Samir, Rounak and Shalom; Farzad & Mükerrem; for Banat's family members in Pakistan and all displaced persons as they seek a place to call home. We pray for all people in war-torn countries where ongoing conflict, displacement and starvation are common including the DRC, Afghanistan, Sudan, Ukraine, Gaza and Syria. We pray for all those affected by the consequences of climate change. We pray for the community groups which use our building.

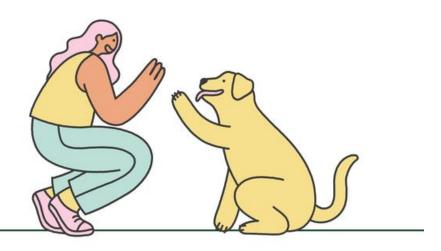


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# Please bring your best friend and join us for:

The Annual St. Clement's Pet Blessing!

Oct 12th at 10 a.m.





3400 Institute Road

North Vancouver

Parking, stair lift and ramp available.