## StTHE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST. MARK

15th Sunday after Pentecost, 10:00am, September 21, 2025

HOLY COMMUNION – BAS

*We acknowledge with thanksgiving that we gather to worship on the territories*

*of the Kwakwaka’Wakw, Nuu-Chah-Nulth and Coast Salish Peoples.*

*We are grateful for our growing relationship with the Qualicum First Nation.*

*As part of the Anglican Church of Canada, a church of Settlers and First Nations,*

*we commit ourselves to a journey of truth and reconciliation between*

*the indigenous peoples of this land and the non-native peoples of Canada.*

**Prelude:**

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn: CP 606 There’s a Wideness**

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

**People**: **And also with you.**

**People**: **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.**

**Song of Praise: CP 715 – Alleluia (Chorus only 2x)**

**Collect of the Day: O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1**

**Psalm:** **79: 1-9**

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2: 1-7**

**Gradual Hymn: CP 455 Dear God, Compassionate VS 1, 2, 3**

**Deacon** The Lord be with you

**People**  **And also with you**

**Deacon** The Holy Gospel is written in the Gospel of Luke

**People Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**The Gospel: Luke 16: 1-13 The Parable of the Dishonest Manager**

Then Jesus said to the disciples, ‘There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, “What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.”Then the manager said to himself, “What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg.I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.

” So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, “How much do you owe my master?”He answered, “A hundred jugs of olive oil.” He said to him, “Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.”Then he asked another, “And how much do you owe?” He replied, “A hundred containers of wheat.” He said to him, “Take your bill and make it eighty.” And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealthso that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

‘Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

**Deacon** This is the Gospel of Christ;

**People Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**Gradual Hymn, cont’d: CP 455 Dear God, Compassionate VS 4,5**

**Sermon: The Reverend William Hubbard**

**Choir Anthem Teach Me, God, To Wonder Klusmeier**

**Prayers of the People**

**Celebrant** Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.

Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

**Celebrant** Most merciful God,

**All 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.**

**Celebrant** 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.

**People Amen.**

**Celebrant** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn: CP 572 – Let there be Light**

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Celebrant: Loving God, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection

opened to us the way of everlasting life. In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name

**All 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.**

**(Proulx 732)**

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us

from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have

brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

 Therefore, Loving God, according to his command,

**All We remember his death,**

 **we proclaim his resurrection,**

 **we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in

him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer –** *(sung) Haas*

Celebrant “I am the bread of Life” says the Lord “Whoever comes to me will never be

 hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!**

**Celebrant** The gifts of God for the People of God

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Prayer Ministry**

***Our healing prayer team invites you to join them to pray or give thanks to God***

***in the narthex (entrance) during or after communion,***

***or in the alcove under the Exit sign after the service. Confidentiality is assured.***

**Post Communion Hymn: CP 439- Blest are the Pure in Heart**

**People Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

**Final Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn: CP 374 – Alleluia Sing to Jesus**

**Deacon** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God****.**

 **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Flowers on the altar today are given by Christine Wheeldon in

loving memory of Diana, Lambert and Malcolm Van Alstine

**Welcome to the Rev. Will Hubbard as he joins us as celebrant and preacher today.**

Elizabeth will be on holidays from August 25 until September 25th, 2025.

Emergency contact is directed either to the church office (250-752-5414)

from Tuesday through Thursdays (9AM to 2PM) or

Rev. Will Hubbard (780-813-2583)

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**Truth and Reconciliation Sunday**

Join us by wearing orange on September 28 as a symbol of our Church’s journey of listening, truth-telling, learning and healing with Indigenous peoples in our community.

Your Outreach Committee.

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 **Books for Sale**

Books are for sale by donation in the new library/lounge area.

The two bookcases replace the Messy Church trolley in the church hall.

Take a look at iur selection to see what you can find in the way of some new reading material.

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 **Altar Flowers**

Please note there are several Sundays still available for you to give altar flowers. Sign on the flower chart beside the kitchen, put your donation in an Altar Flower offering envelope ( beside the chart) and place on the collection plate.

**SOCKTOBER**

COLD, WET FEET YECH!

You can make a difference…

You can bring a little comfort…

We all know how great it feels to put warm socks on cold, wet feet so….

For the month of October, we invite you to donate new socks that will be distributed by Manna Homeless Society. During the cold, wet winter months, Manna is on the streets of our community and will provide warm socks to our unhoused neighbours.

Thick winter socks are preferred but any new socks are welcomed. Drop boxes will be in the Narthex and scattered around the community, so next time you are shopping, pick up

 some warm socks to bring a little warmth to a neighbour.

 They can make a big difference!

Thank you for all you do!



**Safe Church Training Video**

The Safe Church training program is a policy of the Diocese, required of church employees and volunteers: those in positions of leadership or authority, anyone handling money, supervising or working with children or vulnerable people, or holding a key to the building. The training is designed to help identify situations we need to avoid, and to organize our spaces to better protect our people.

An updated version of the Safe Training video is now available, and an opportunity is being provided to watch it as a group. If you are a person with any of the responsibilities mentioned above, please attend if you are able on **Thursday afternoon, September 25, at** **3:00 p.m. in the church hall**. The video is approximately 40 minutes long.

If you are not able to attend on Sept. 25, you can set up an appointment to watch it by contacting Karen (safechurch@bc.anglican.ca) or contact Faith Brace, Safe Church Coordinator at St. Mark’s Parish (**fbrace@telusplanet.net****).** If you watch the video at home, a brief statement from a witness is required to prove that you have watched it.

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 **North Island Regional Gathering 2025**

*Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength ~ Isaiah 40:31*

Mark your calendars for our next NI Regional Meeting.

Join us as we discuss the current realities of a changing

church landscape as all of our community’s face

transitions. Together we will share stories and experiences,

resources and best practices and renew our hope in God’s

plan for us as people of God on these

Northern Islands and Inlets!

Date: Saturday October 4 2025

Time: 10am - 3pm

Location: St. Peter Anglican Church, Campbell River

*All are welcome to join us but please do pre-register so we*

*can plan accordingly as lunch will be provided.*

Register: enorthcott@bc.anglican.ca

**St. Mark’s Calendar**

**September 22-28**

**Tuesday**

9:15am – Men’s Bible Study

9:15am - Garden Group

9:30am – 3:00pm- OK Quilters

4:00pm - Hand Bells

6:00pm – 9:00pm- Echo Players

**Wednesday**

10:00am- Sermon Circle

11:30am – Said Eucharist

5:30pm – 7:30pm- Narcotics Anonymous

**Thursday**

9:00am – 3:00pm- Friendship Quilters

11:15am - Choir

1:00pm - Parish Council

3:00pm - Safe Church Video showing

3:30pm - 52 Ways to Reconcile

6:00pm – 9:00pm Echo Players

**Friday**

9:00am – 3:00pm -Friendship Quilters

3:00pm -Set up for Messy Church

**Saturday**

10:00am – 3:00pm -Chess Club

4:00pm - Messy Church

**16th Sunday after Pentecost**

8:30am -Holy Communion - BCP

10:00am - Holy Communion – BAS

1:00pm -5:00pm- Echo Players