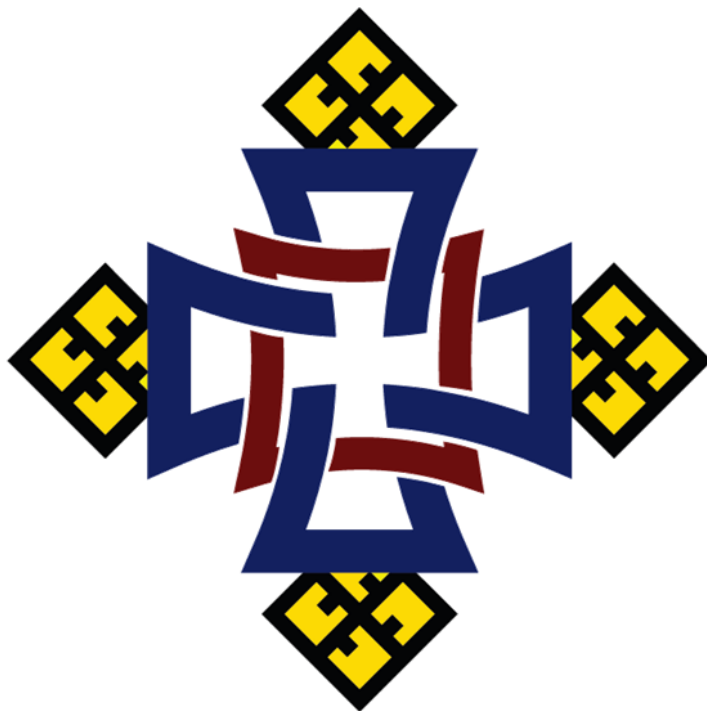


**Holy Eucharist
Season of Creation
September 21, 2025**



St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church

Diocese of New Westminster

Located on the unceded land of the Musqueam,
Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh nations

Welcome!

This liturgy is an offering we create together. In song and silence, in story and prayer, in sacred meal, everyone is welcome to participate. Children are welcome in our gathering—we understand their need to move and play.

If you are new here or visiting, please sign our guest book and stay after worship for refreshments and conversation.

If you would like to request prayers, please write the names of those to be remembered in the book on the small table in the prayer corner.

To support the work of the church financially, please place your offering in the wooden offering plate by the door. Tax receipts are available—ask the greeter.

Communion is in both kinds (bread and wine). All are welcome at the table, and no one is required to take communion. Participants are welcome to consume only bread.

Thank you for joining us today.

Support This Place of Transformation

Thank you for supporting this community. With your help, we continue to be a place where we welcome all to walk together as we learn to walk in God's way. Here's how you can give:

Traditional: Cash or a cheque in the plate. Regular donors get envelopes to ensure tax receipts.

Interac: Transfer funds to office@stmarymags.ca Indicate "donation" in the memo line.

We issue tax receipts for donations of \$20 or more.

Thank you.

The Gathering of the Community

We sing as the Bible, our sacred book, is welcomed into our gathering

Song

#9 Today I Awake

1. Today I awake and God is before me,
at night, as I dreamt, he summoned the day
for God never sleeps, but patterns the morning
with slithers of gold or glory in grey.

2. Today I arise and Christ is beside me.
He walked through the dark to scatter new light.
Yes, Christ is alive, and beckons his people
to hope and to heal, resist and invite.

3. Today I affirm the Spirit within me
at worship and work, in struggle and rest.
The Spirit inspires all life which is changing
from fearing to faith, from broken to blest.

4. Today I enjoy the Trinity round me,
above and beneath, before and behind;
the Maker, the Son, the Spirit together –
they called me to life and call me their friend.

Words and Music John L. Bell (1949 -)

Presider: Blessed be the One who creates all things.

All: **The Holy One's love is new every morning.**

Presider: As we gather on the unceded and ancestral lands
of the Coast Salish Nations, let us pray
that Christ's grace and peace will be with us.

All: **May we be ministers of the reconciling love of our Creator.**

Prayer of the Day

Presider: Grant us, Creator God,

All: **to put wealth to use in relieving the suffering of others;
so that we might hold fast to the love that endures;
through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever. Amen**

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Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the Book of Jeremiah
(Jeremiah 8:18 to 9:1)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Psalm 79: 1-9

1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;
they have profaned your holy temple; *

they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

2 They have given the bodies of your servants
as food for the birds of the air, *

and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.

3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, *
and there was no one to bury them.

4 We have become a reproach to our neighbours, *
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.

5 How long will you be angry, O Lord? *
Will your fury blaze like fire for ever?

6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you *
and upon the dominions that have not called upon your name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob *
and made his dwelling a ruin.

8 Remember not our past sins;
let your compassion be swift to meet us; *
for we have been brought very low.

9 Help us, O God our Saviour, for the glory of your name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your name's sake.

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from Paul's first letter to Timothy
(1 Timothy 2:1-7)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Song **#585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

1. Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed:
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
Every gift which you impart.

2. Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your spirit send your power
to our world to make it whole.

3. As we worship, grant us vision,
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.

Text: Albert Frederick Bayly (1901-1984)
Music: Benjamin Franklin White (1800-1879)

Gospel Reading

Reader: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.
(Luke 16:1-13)

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Reflection

The Rev. Tasha Carrothers

Following a period of silence, all are invited to share a brief thought or story evoked by the readings or the reflection.

Song I Will Sing a Song of Mercy

I will sing a song of mer - cy, sing a song of just - tice,

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sing a song of praise to God. I will live a life of mer - cy, live a life of jus - tice,

8
live a life of praise to God.

Text: William J. Doggett, based on Psalm 101:1-2

Music: William J. Doggett

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Let us declare our trust as we say

All: **We believe in God, who creates all things,
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,
the malnourished one, the climate refugee,
who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it.**

**Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who reconciles
and renews this world and everything in it.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,
who moves with God
and who moves among and with us today.**

**We believe in everlasting life in God.
And we trust that one day,
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Please stand or sit as you prefer for prayer.

In the prayers of the people, the people who have gathered join their prayers to bring to God the needs of the Church, the world, and all who are in need. If you would like to add a person to the prayers, please speak to the Vicar. There is also a book on the front hall table where you can add names of people for whom you would like prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Look for the Lord, while God is present;
call out to God who is close at hand.

All: **God of compassion, have mercy upon us.
Heal our relationship with all creation.
Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect
of the creatures who share the earth with us.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent
for what we have done to harm them,
and for what we have not done to help them.
Fill us with your Spirit, that we may care for one another
and for all creatures, according to your will
and in the fullness of your love; through Jesus Christ our
Redeemer. 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

Presider: The peace of God be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

We share the peace of God with one another with a gesture of greeting.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

To make a financial offering, please place it in the offering plate by the door.

Song Here Is Bread for the Hungry Soul

Slow gospel style ♩ = 60

The musical score is written for a four-part choir in 4/4 time, with a tempo of 60 beats per minute. It consists of three systems of staves. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'Here is bread for the hun - gry soul. Here is wine for the thirst - y heart. Here is for - give - ness full and free, here at the ta - ble of the Lord.' The score includes repeat signs and a final double bar line. Above the final system, there are two boxes: 'Repeat as desired' and 'Final'.

Here is bread for the hun - gry soul. Here is

wine for the thirst - y heart. Here is for - give - ness full and

free, here at the ta - ble of the Lord.

Repeat as desired Final

*Text: Mary Kay Beall
Music: John Carter*

Prayer over the Gifts

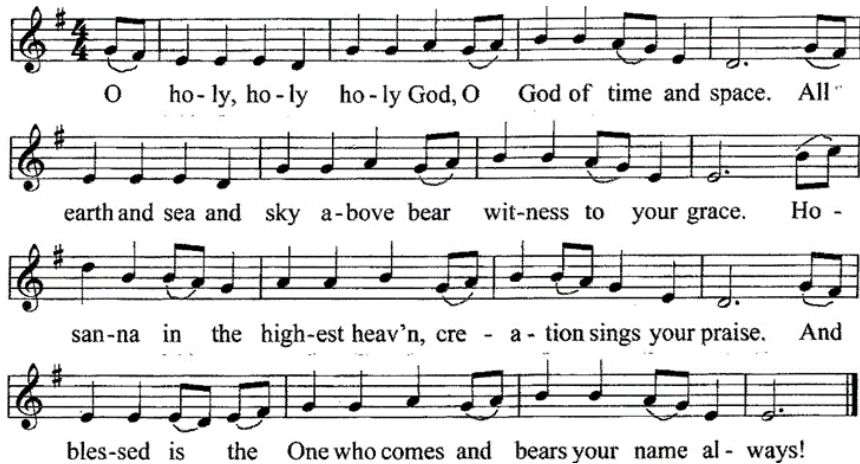
Presider: God of all creation,
All: **all you have made is good,
and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts
so that we might be for the world
signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider God is with you.
All **And also with you**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them up to God.**
Presider Let us give thanks to God our creator.
All **We give our thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is right in all times and in all places
to thank and praise you, Creator of all.
We praise you here where the Fraser River
meets the Salish Sea, where city and farm,
wilderness and industry are side by side.
We praise you at a time when the body of earth
is broken again and again.
We give thanks for our place in the story of salvation.
Our ancestors journeyed with you in creation and migration.
They depended on the land, were displaced from the land
and displaced others from their lands.
They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains
and by wells, in families and in dreams,
and through wilderness prophets
who spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.

Together with angels and ancestors, orca and salmon,
bear and raven, salal and cedar we join our voices with all creation
in this ancient honour song:



Presider: We give thanks to you for Jesus,
whose first bed was a feed trough.
He was baptized in the Jordan, tested in the wilderness,
he traveled in fishing boats and told parables of farmers
and seeds, labor and wages, yeast and bread.
On the night before he died, Jesus took bread,
food of the poor, the work of field and hearth,
he gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his friends saying:
Take and eat, this is my body, given for you,
do this to remember me.

Again after supper he took the cup of wine,
fruit of the land, gave thanks and gave it to his friends saying:
This is my blood, which is shed for you.
When you do this, do it in memory of me.

Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection
and awaiting his coming kingdom,
we offer you this bread and this cup.
Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts
so that we know Jesus in them
and are gathered together with everyone
who shares this sacred meal of justice and community.
Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that we may strive for justice and peace,
respect the dignity of every human being,
and safeguard the integrity of creation.

Bring us with all your saints
to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily,
child and beggar which is both now and yet to come.

All honor and glory are yours, Creator, Christ and Spirit,
now and forever.

All:

Amen.

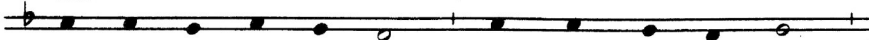
The Lord's Prayer

Cantor

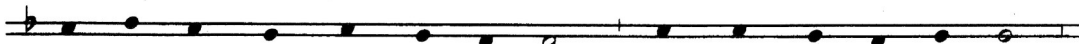


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

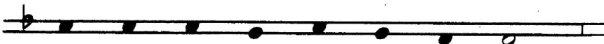
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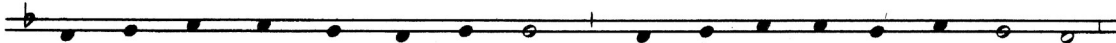
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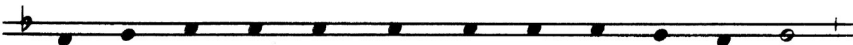
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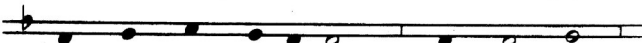
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Creator God, you fed us from the beginning.

All: **Happy are all, called to the Supper of Creation.**

Communion

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please remain at your places. The consecrated bread and wine will be brought around to all who wish. Everyone is welcome at the table.

Sending Out of the Disciples

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Create in us a new heart and a new vision, O God,

All: **that the gifts of your Spirit may work
in us and renew the face of the earth.**

May we be one with you

so that our work is yours and your work is ours.

**Lead us to transform our lives to reflect your glory in Creation;
through Jesus Christ our Savior,
who is alive with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever. Amen.**

Doxology

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.**

Blessing

Song

#601 God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

1. God, whose giving knows no ending,
from your rich and endless store –
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
costly cross, grave's shattered door –
gifted by you, we turn to you,
offering up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever,
gracious Donor of our days.

2. Skills and time are ours for pressing
toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom,
races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labour,
lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants
fit to answer at your throne.

3. Treasure, too, you have entrusted,
gain through powers your grace conferred,
ours to use for home and kindred,
open wide our hands in sharing,
as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming,
serving you by loving all.

Text: Robert L. Edwards (1915-)

Music: William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937)

Dismissal

Deacon:

Let us go forth into all Creation, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All:

Thanks be to God.

Coming up at St. Mary Mags

Weds, Sept 24	12 noon	Centering Prayer
	12:30	Holy Communion
Friday, Sept 19	12 noon	Drum circle
Sunday, Sept 21	1:00 pm	Transforming Questions
Sun, Oct 12	12 noon-ish	Thanksgiving Potluck
	1:00 pm	Transforming Questions

Sundays after church: Transforming Questions is an amazing introduction to all the big questions in Christianity. Sundays from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. Bring a bag lunch.

Next Sunday's Readings

September 28, 2025

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31;

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