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## The Gathering of the Community

### Words of Welcome and Acknowledgment

We give thanks that we live, work, play, and worship on the traditional and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples including the Katzee, Tsawwassen, Semiahmoo and Kwantlen Nations. May our words and our actions reflect our awareness and appreciation.

### Processional Hymn CP: 399 Now Thank We All Our God

### The Gathering of the Community

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.**

### Children's Focus

### Gloria: CP 366

**Glory in the highest glory, peace to all, in all their days.  
Worship, thanks, and praise unceasing to the source of all we raise:**

**reigning in the sapphire height, hidden from our mortal sight,  
now receive our adoration, as we make our supplication.**

**Jesus Christ, the world's redeemer, Lamb of God, for sinners given,  
Word eternal, born of Mary, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:  
holy one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,  
with the Spirit there united, and the God-head high exulted.**

### **Kyrie Confession**

Holy God, you come to meet us when we return to you:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Jesus, you died on the cross for our sins:  
Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**

Spirit, you give us life and peace:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

### **Collect of the Day**

Creator of the fruitful earth,  
**you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your  
goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole  
human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give  
thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus  
Christ the Lord. Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

### **First Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11**

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy,

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, “Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: “A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.” You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Listen to what the spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God**

## **Psalm: 100**

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

**For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:  
**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

## **Second Reading: Philippians 4: 4-9**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians,

Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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## **Gradual Hymn CP 429: For the Beauty of the Earth**

### **Gospel: John 6: 25-35**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

When the crowd found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

### **Homily**

Reverend Dr. Robin Ruder Celiz

## Holy Baptism

*The candidate, family and God Parents join the Celebrant around the font.  
The following questions are answered by the parents and God Parents together.*

Celebrant: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents: I present Declan Zikoranibuchukwu Nwaogu to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Parents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Parents: I do.

*The Celebrant addresses the congregation who respond in bold.*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

**We will.**

### **Prayers for the Candidate**

Let us now pray for Declan who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open his hearts to your grace and truth.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Send him into the world in witness to your love.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

**Lord, hear our prayer**

Grant, O Lord,  
that all who are baptized  
into the death of Jesus Christ your Son  
may live in the power of his resurrection  
and look for him to come again in glory;  
who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who are here cleansed from sin and born again, may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us join with those  
who are committing themselves to Christ  
and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God,  
The Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

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### **The Baptism**

I baptize you Declan Zikoranibuchukwu Nwaogu in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

I sign you with the cross,  
and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

Heavenly Father,  
We thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit  
you have bestowed upon Declan your servant  
the forgiveness of sin,  
and have raised them to the new life of grace.  
Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit.  
Give him an inquiring and discerning heart,  
the courage to will and to persevere,  
a spirit to know and to love you,  
and the gift of joy and wonder  
in all your works. **Amen.**

### **The Giving of the Light**

Receive the light of Christ,  
to show that you have passed from darkness to light.  
Let your light so shine before others  
that they may see your good works  
and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We receive you into the household of God.  
Confess the faith of Christ crucified,  
proclaim his resurrection,  
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

**Hymn CP 354 Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

**The Peace**

*Please rise as you are able*

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.  
Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.  
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.  
The peace of the triune God be always with you  
**and also with you.**

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Offertory Hymn CP 403 Let All Things Now Living**

**Prayers over the Gifts**

*Please Remain Standing*

Source of all life,  
**the heaven and earth are yours,  
yet you have given us dominion over all things.  
Receive the symbols of our labour and love  
which we offer you this day,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and prai**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting love. And so, with St. Helen, and all the choirs of angels with the church on earth and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**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.**

Holy God, you alone are holy,  
you alone are God. The universe declares your praise:  
beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

**We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness:  
through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile;  
into the future.

**We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son:  
at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among  
the poor; with us now

**We thank you, O God.**

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and at the end,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit; in our gathering; within this meal;  
among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to  
you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church,  
without end. **Amen**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

As Jesus taught, so we pray,

**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**

Creator of all,  
you gave us golden fields of wheat,  
whose many grains we have gathered  
and made into this one bread.  
**So may your Church be gathered  
from the ends of the earth  
into your kingdom.**

### **The Communion**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

#### **Thanks be to God**

*Please proceed to the altar for communion as directed. Communion is offered in both bread and wine. If you only wish to receive the bread, you may touch the base of the chalice or give a slight bow in reverence to the Sacrament after receiving the bread.*

### **Prayer after Communion**

*Please Rise as you are able*

God of our hope,  
**in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings.  
Nourished in these holy mysteries  
may we, with our lives,**

**give you continual thanks and praise.**

**This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.**

### **Community Announcements**

#### **The Blessing**

May the Lord Jesus who serves with wounded hands, . . . this day and always. **Amen.**

#### **Sending Hymn CP 425: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

#### **Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Notices and Prayer List for the week beginning October 12, 2025

To assist the office, please ensure that any items for the Notices are  
received

### before Noon on Thursday.

**The flowers** at the altar this morning are given to the glory of God by Cynthia and Anil Richards in Thanksgiving and by Maureen Thompson in Thanksgiving and loving memory of her brother Glen.

**We pray for the whole Anglican Church of Canada**

**Anglican Communion** – We pray for the church of the province of Uganda

**In our Diocesan Cycle:** We pray for Rt. Rev'd. John Stephens, Bishop, Robin our Rector, and Stephen our Deacon. We also pray for St. Laurence, Coquitlam - The Revd Philip Cochrane, The Revd Patricia Ratcliffe, The Deanery of Yale – The Revd Paul Bowie, Regional Dean.

We pray for our companion diocese of Northern Philippines.

We pray for our own twinned parish of Holy Apostles, Abatan, and their priest, Father Joey Napat-a.

In all these prayers for the church near and far, we pray for the people and clergy and for the ministries flowing from these places into the communities.

**In our Parish Cycle** we pray for Jennifer Semenoff and Craig and Paulette Smith. We pray for their work, ministry, and families here and away.

### **This Week's Ministry Team**

Officiant/Preacher ..... The Rev'd Dr. Robin Ruder Celiz  
Deacon..... The Rev'd Stephen Thompson  
Music ..... Joel Adimarthra  
Crucifer/Servers/Psalmist... .. John Palmer  
Prayers of the Community .... ..John Palmer  
Readers .....Jayden Shaw & Catherine Hall  
Lay Administration..... Vee Villar & Edward Villar  
Greeters .....Abduk Rahim Sillah &7 Ikechukwu Nwaogu  
Livestream Tech ..... Z Barabas, Tom B. S. Lee , L.Ronit, I. Nwaogu, A Sillah  
Altar Guild .....J. Denton , P. Beneteau & M. Thompson  
Fellowship Servers..... Cynthia and Anil Richards, J. Bulkan and C. Halll

### **Next Week's Ministry Team**

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Fellowship Service ..... Janette Bulkan & John Palmer & Ler Pwe Moo

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