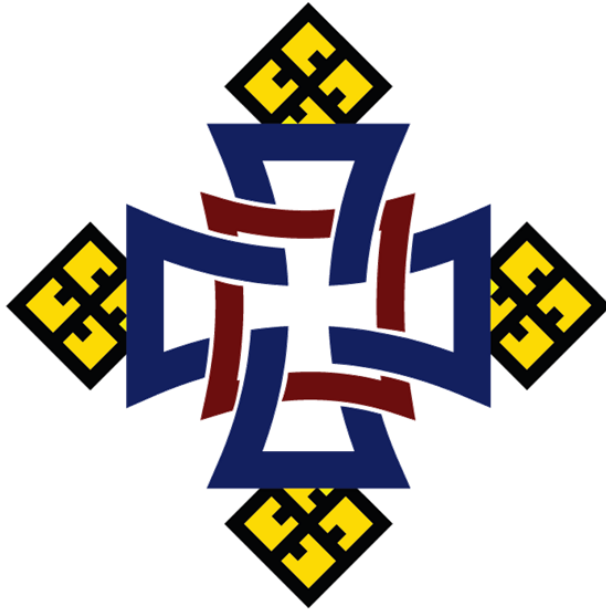


Holy Eucharist
October 26, 2025



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.

Walk with Us

Thank you for supporting this community. With your help, we continue to be a place of welcome for all 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.

Pre-authorized debit: Sign up to have a monthly donation transferred directly from your bank account.

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

Most Anglican services begin with a procession led by a cross. At St. Mary Mags we have adapted the synagogue practice of processing the Torah scrolls. In synagogue, people often touch the Torah as a gesture of affection and reverence. We are invited to do the same.

We gather in worship because we can't love in isolation. The Christian tradition is profoundly relational. We also gather to learn from and support each other.

Song **Come All You People (Uyai Mose)**

Come all you people,
Come and praise your Maker (3x)

Come now and worship the Lord.
Text: Alexander Gondo; Translator: I-to Loh

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.**

Anglican worship is embodied: we vary our posture by standing and sitting, and some people use gestures such as crossing themselves or bowing their heads at the name of Jesus.

Prayer of the Day

Presider: O God of salvation,
All: **we come to you in joy, for you have heard the prayers of the poor and raised up the lowly. Pour out your Spirit on young and old alike, so that our dreams and visions may bring justice and peace to the world. Amen.**

The Prayer of the Day, more commonly called the Collect, reflects a theme drawn from the readings.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002)

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the Book of Joel
(Joel 2:23-32)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Psalm 65

1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
2 To you that hear prayer *
shall all flesh come.
3 Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot out our transgressions.
4 Happy are they whom you choose *
and draw to your courts to dwell there!
They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, *
by the holiness of your temple.
5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, *
O God of our salvation,
O Hope of all the ends of the earth *
and of the seas that are far away.
6 You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
7 You still the roaring of the seas, *
the roaring of their waves,
and the clamour of the peoples.
8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvellous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; *
you make it very plenteous;
the river of God is full of water. *
You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth.
10 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.

Sunday readings are from the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of readings that ensure that major themes and events are revisited each year.

11 You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
 12 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
 13 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
 and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from Paul's second letter to Timothy
 (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18)

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Song #608 Come, You Sinners, Poor and Needy

1. Come, you sinners, poor and needy,
 weak and wounded, sick and sore.
 Jesus, Son of God, will save you,
 full of pity, love, and power.

Refrain

I will arise and go to Jesus,
 He will embrace me in his arms;
 In the arms of my dear Saviour,
 O there are ten thousand charms

2. Come, you thirsty, come and welcome,
 God's free bounty glorify;
 true belief and true repentance,
 every grace that brings you nigh. *Refrain*

3. Come, you weary, heavy laden,
 lost and ruined by the fall;
 if you tarry till you're better,
 you will never come at all. *Refrain*

"Those who sing pray twice." Attributed to St. Augustine, the idea is that singing includes words (intellect and meaning) and music (emotion and spirit). Together they unite heart and mind in praise and contemplation.

Text: Joseph Hart (1712-1768)

Music: The Southern Harmony, New Haven, 1835, alt.

Gospel Reading

Reader: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to Luke.
(Luke 18:9-14)

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

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

We are invited to stand and turn to face the Gospel because Jesus' words and life hold special meaning for us.

Some people make a small cross on their forehead, lips and heart, a silent prayer: "May the Gospel be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart."

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

#529 God, My Hope on You Is Founded

1. God, my hope on you is founded;
you my faith and trust renew:
through all change and chance you guide me,
only good and only true.
God unknown, you alone call my heart to be your own.

2. Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown, betray our trust;
though with care and toil we build them,
tower and temple fall to dust.
But your power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

3. Daily does the almighty Giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
God's desire for us delights us,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Here at hand, love takes stand,
joy awaits God's sure command.

4. God's great goodness lasts forever,
deepest wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light, and life attending,
beauty springing out of naught.
Evermore from God's store new-born worlds rise and adore.

5. Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ the Son.
Christ, you call one and all;
those who follow shall not fall.

Text: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930)

Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Let us declare our trust as we say,

All: **You, O God, are Creator of all,
by whom every being in heaven and earth
is fashioned, named, and sustained.
You call us each by name.**

**You, O God, are Living Word,
who came and pitched your tent with us,
lived and died and rose again.
You speak to us now through faith.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit,
who comforts, strengthens, and inspires,
sending us forth to share your love.
You are the breath of grace.**

**You, O God, are Trinity:
Creator, Word, Spirit;
artist, healer, friend.**

**You are holy mystery.
We worship you. Amen.**

Most Anglican congregations recite the Nicene Creed or the Apostle's Creed as the way to hand on the faith of the church. At St. Mary Mags we usually recite an authorized affirmation of faith that uses contemporary language.

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

Silence is kept.

Presider: 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.**

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.

People: **Amen.**

Christians believe that we all fail in love in some way. Confession not about grovelling—it is about recognizing that we are caught in distorted relationships that separate us from God, from others, and from creation. We confess together because sin and forgiveness are not private matters only but realities that affect the whole community.

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 Peace is an encounter, a reconciliation, and an anticipation.” We are reminded that we encounter Christ is others. We affirm that we are reconciled with each other before receiving communion. We act out the peace and unity of God’s kingdom. (BAS p 177)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

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

Song

#65 Here Lord, We Take the Broken Bread

1. Here, Lord, we take the broken bread
and drink the wine, believing
that by thy life our souls are fed,
thy parting gifts receiving.

2. As thou hast given, so we would give
ourselves for other’s healing;
as thou hast lived, so we would live,
the Father’s love revealing.

Anglicans value beauty, so we use images, candles, flowers and hangings to make the setting special. We also value the created world, so the elements are real: real candles, real flowers, real bread and wine.

Text: Charles Venn Pilcher

Music: Melody Irish; adapt and harm. Charles Villiers Stanford

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Merciful God,

All: as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills
were gathered together to become one bread,
so let your church be gathered together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ,
now and for ever. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: May God be 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.**

The opening dialogue confirms that the people wish to continue with communion. The priest cannot go ahead without the people's involvement.

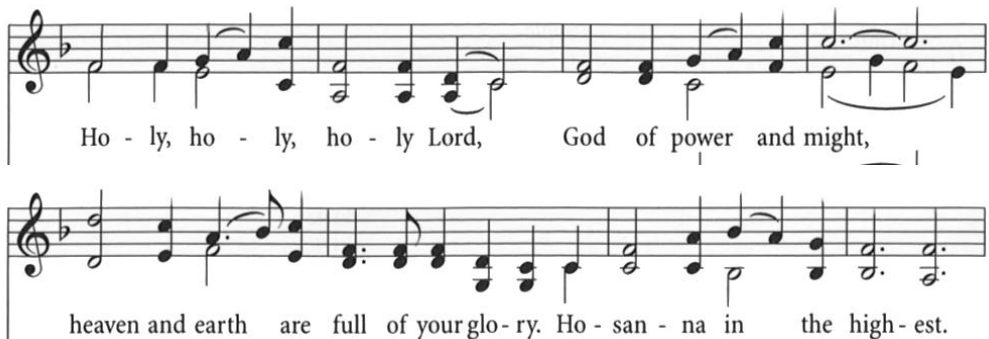
Presider: Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love
you bear us and place the song of your
Spirit in our hearts.

Eucharist is Greek for thanksgiving. Every Great Thanksgiving prayer includes four basic elements.

When we turn from your love
and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.
Your Spirit speaks through
Huldah and Micah, through prophets,
sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin and reveal the vision
of your new creation.
Joining in the song of the universe
we proclaim your glory singing

1. We give God thanks
and praise

2. We remember that God has
been with us since the
beginning, despite our
alienating behaviour, (con't)





Presider:

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

(con't) and that God continues to heal, free, and renew all of Creation (including us!)

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

3. We tell the story of Jesus' last meal

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all people. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

The "new covenant" deepens God's existing relationship with God's people.

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment,
to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love,
and to proclaim our faith.



Presider:

Breathe your Holy Spirit,
the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we bring to you:
this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love for all the world
and ministers of your transforming purpose.

4. We ask God to
send the Holy Spirit
to bless and make
holy both us and
the bread and wine.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours,
Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

All:

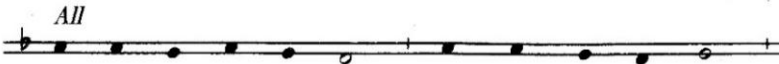
Amen.

As with the opening dialogue, the
people's *Amen* is essential.

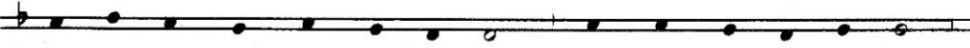
The Lord's Prayer



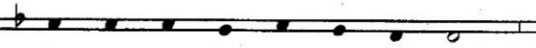
As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



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: We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

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: O God, our life, our strength, our food,

All: we give you thanks for sustaining us
with the body and blood of your Son.

By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world,
so that more and more we will you praise
and serve your earth and its many peoples,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

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

263 Praise to God, Immortal Praise

1. Praise to God, immortal praise,
for the love that crowns our days;
bounteous Source of every joy,
let thy praise our tongues employ:

2. for the blessings of the fields,
for the stores the garden yields,
flocks that whiten all the plain;
yellow sheaves of ripened grain,

3. all that spring with bounteous hand
scatters o'er the smiling land,
all that liberal autumn pours
from its rich o'erflowing stores.

4. These, to thee, O God, we owe,
Source whence all our blessings flow;
and for these our souls shall raise
grateful vows and solemn praise

Text: Anna Laetitia Barbauld (1743-1825)

Music: Melody French; attrib Pierre de Corbeil (?-1222)

adapt. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

Dismissal

Deacon:

Go in peace to love and serve God's world.

All:

Thanks be to God.

We end with a reminder that we have a mission to be Jesus' hands and feet in the world.

We are told to "Go!" but please stick around for coffee or tea; you've got the whole rest of the week ahead of you.

Coming up at St. Mary Mags

Weds, Oct 29	12 noon	Centering Prayer
	12:30	Holy Communion
Saturday, Nov 1	12 noon	Drum circle—NOW ON SATURDAY
Sunday, Nov 2	10:30 am	All Souls
	1:00 pm	Transforming Questions

Remembering the Saints. Every year at All Saints (observed this year on November 2) we remember everyone dear to each of us. Please let us know who to include in our prayers by adding their names to the sign up in the front hall.

Why do we... in worship? **The Ven. Richard Leggett**, professor emeritus of liturgy at VST, is joining us on **November 16**, when he will guide us through our Sunday service. In preparation for his visit, the Sunday bulletins will include explanatory notes. Please **let Tasha know** if there are any elements where you would like to go deeper.

Sign up to help lead worship! Everyone—new and old—is welcome to help lead worship. Some roles are simple, like reading. Others are more complex, like liturgical assistant. We particularly need greeters to welcome people as they arrive on Sunday morning. Don't be intimidated! Tasha can get you orientated. Sign up in the front hall; talk to Tasha if you have any questions.

Next Sunday's Readings

November 2, 2025

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31

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