

### St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

All Saints Sunday, November 2, 2025

"God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation."

2 Corinthians 5.19

#### Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship.

The Parish of St. Mary the Virgin is a member of the Diocese of British Columbia and the Anglican Church of Canada. We are an inclusive and welcoming parish: the sacraments of the church (baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we. As a parish we acknowledge with gratitude that we live, work and play on the traditional lands of the Lekwungen peoples. We commit ourselves, as a settler church and people, to continue with our First Nations hosts on the journey of truth-telling, healing, and reconciliation.

The Collection Plate has been placed at the back of the church for use as you arrive. It will be moved to the front of the church during the Offertory hymn and placed in a location where you may place your gifts as you come to receive Communion. Please also consider one of the other available means of giving regularly: electronic donations on our website via CanadaHelps, or monthly direct debit donations via the PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance program - details are available in a brochure at the entrance, or on the website: <a href="https://www.stmarysoakbay.ca/donate">www.stmarysoakbay.ca/donate</a>).

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Kat McCann, with love from husband, family and friends.

#### 10:00am Service

From the Book of Alternative Services

Minister of Welcome: Chris Moeckl Server: Nathan Turner
Presider & Preacher: The Venerable Craig Hiebert Organ: Oriel Chapman
Lay Eucharistic Ministers: John McCann Music: St. Mary Singers
Christina Watkins Livestream: William Turner & Samatha Robbins

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*In the service order, words set in* **bold italic type** *are said by the congregation.* 

#### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

**PRELUDE** 

Adagio from Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major BWV 564, JS Bach

#### WELCOME

#### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones (320)

- Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain: alleluia! Cry out dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 2. O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises: alleluia!

  Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest, forbears in faith and prophets blest: alleluia, alleluia!

  Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 4. O friends, in gladness let us sing supernal anthems echoing: alleluia, alleluia!

  To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three-in-One, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### **GREETING**

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

#### **CENTRING STILLNESS**

Silence is kept.

#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Holy God, giver of blessing to hungry and hated, you overturn tables of privilege and greed. Teach us a new way of being beyond reward, beyond revenge, so that we may do to others as we would have them do to us; through Jesus Christ, who prays for all who crucify him. Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

The congregation sits.

#### THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

#### **READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Daniel 7. 1-3, 15-18, Bob Gill

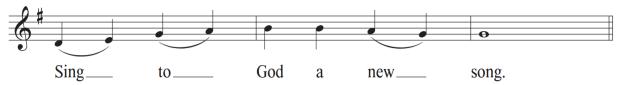
<sup>1</sup>In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup>I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup> and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

<sup>15</sup>As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup>I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup>"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup>But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

Holy word, holy wisdom.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 149**



Music by George Black, © 2000 Anglican Book Centre

Hallelujah!

Sing to God a new song;

sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in their maker;

let the children of Zion be joyful in their king. R.

Let them praise God's name in the dance;

let them sing praise with timbrel and harp.

For God takes pleasure in all people

and adorns the poor with victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;

let them be joyful on their beds. R.

Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand; To wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples. R.

To bind their rulers in chains and their nobles with links of iron;
To inflict on them the judgement decreed; this is glory for all faithful people.
Hallelujah! R.

#### READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

Ephesians 1. 11-23, Sherry Armstrong

<sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup> God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL HYMN**

Healer of Our Every Ill (612)

Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

- You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness.
   Spirit of all comfort: fill our hearts. R
- 2. In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding, give us all your vision: God of love. R

- 3. Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother.

  Spirit of all kindness: be our guide. R
- 4. You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing.

  Spirit of compassion: fill each heart. R

GOSPEL Luke 6. 20-31

Before the Gospel is read, the reader says:

God is with you.

#### And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus according to Luke.

#### Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

- <sup>20</sup> Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:
- "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.
- <sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.
- <sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
- <sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.
- "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.
- <sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.
- <sup>27</sup> "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you;
- <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even

your shirt. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**SERMON** 

ANTHEM

Holy is the True Light, Harris

The Nicene Creed

#### AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

#### PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND THE WORLD

The congregation stands, sits, or kneels.

Lord, make us to be numbered with your saints in that glory which is everlasting.

In your prayers this week remember the following: Those in need of healing and care, including Callum, Colin, Elizabeth F, Jeff, Linda, and Sam. In our diocese of islands and inlets pray for Anna, our Bishop, John, our Metropolitan, Chris, our National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop, and Shane, our Primate, and for the Diocesan Council and Parish Councils. In our province, pray for The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon. In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, the president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary Saskatoon The people and ministries of the Alaska Province of the Moravian Church in America. In the Church further afield, pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa.

A Note About Our Prayer Ministry: If you wish to request prayers for yourself or for someone else, please send the information to the office: <a href="mailto:admin@stmarysoakbay.ca">admin@stmarysoakbay.ca</a>. Requests received by end of day Wednesdays will be included in the leaflet for the following Sunday and for three weeks following. Prayers will also be included by the members of the Angel Wings Prayer Team. A new request may be made if you wish specific prayers to be continued. We require only a first name, but it is helpful if an area of need is included, eg, in need of prayer; sickness; awaiting surgery; recovering from surgery; ongoing treatment; death; grieving.

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

Silence is kept.

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.

The Presider reminds us of God's healing and forgiveness

#### **PEACE**

The congregation stands

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

We share signs of Peace with those around us.

#### THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

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#### OFFERTORY HYMN

- Who are these like stars appearing, these before God's throne who stand? Each a golden crown is wearing; who are all this glorious band? "Alleluia!" hark, they sing, praising loud their heavenly King.
- 2. Who are these in dazzling brightness, clothed in God's own righteousness? These whose robes of purest whiteness shall their lustre still possess, still untouched by times' rude hand whence come all this glorious band?

Who Are These Like Stars Appearing (281)

- 3. These are they who have contended for their Saviour's honour long, wrestling on till life was ended, following not the sinful throng; these, who well the fight sustained, triumph through the Lamb have gained.
- 4. These are they whose hearts were riven, sore with woe and anguish tried, who in prayer full oft have striven with the God they glorified; now, their painful conflict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.
- 5. These, the Almighty contemplating, did as priests before him stand, soul and body always waiting day and night at his command: now, in God's most holy place, blest they stand before his face.

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Book of Alternative Services, Eucharistic Prayer 3

The congregation remains standing, as they are able

The Lord is 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 praise.

The prayer continues until:

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

sung: 735

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

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest

The prayer continues until:

Therefore, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

The prayer continues until:

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Silence is held

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI Sung 747

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

#### THE COMMUNION

All are invited to receive Communion.

The sacrament will be offered in both kinds (bread and the common cup) but be assured that in the Anglican Church of Canada it has always been our tradition that receiving only one of the elements is considered full Communion. Gluten-free wafers for communion are available. Please request it from the person who is distributing the bread.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are also welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. This is signified by folding your hands across your chest as you approach the presider.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

- Deck yourself, my soul, with gladness; leave the gloomy haunts of sadness.
   Come into the daylight's splendour, there with joy your praises render to the Lord whose grace unbounded has this royal banquet founded; though all other powers excelling, with my soul he makes his dwelling.
- 2. Lord, I bow before you lowly, filled with joy most deep and holy, as with trembling awe and wonder all your mighty works I ponder how, by mystery surrounded, depth no one has ever sounded, none may dare to pierce unbidden secrets that in you are hidden.

Deck Yourself, My Soul, with Gladness (78)

- 3. Shining Sun, my life you brighten; Radiance, you my soul enlighten. Joy, the best of all our knowing. Fountain, swiftly in me flowing: at your feet I kneel, my Maker let me be a fit partaker of this sacred food from heaven, for our good, your glory, given.
- 4. Jesus, bread of life, I pray you, let me gladly here obey you; never to my hurt invited, always by your love delighted: from this banquet let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep its treasure; through the gifts your hands have given, let me be your guest in heaven.

#### WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. **Amen**.

#### **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### DOXOLOGY

The congregation stands

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.

#### BLESSING

#### HYMN

For All the Saints (276, vv 1, 4, 6-8)

- For all the saints who from their labours rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
   Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4. O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6. The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; sweet is the calm of Paradise blest.

  Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7. But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day the saints triumphant rise in bright array: the King of glory passes on his way.

  Alleluia! Alleluia!

8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl, streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Scherzo, Eugène Gigout

The musical postlude is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for our encounter with God's Word as it has been experienced this day. You are invited to use this time for reflection, remaining seated.



# Songs of Consolation

For Our Distracted Times

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