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Archbishop & Metropolitan and the Bishop of the
Diocese of New Westminster: The Most Reverend John Stephens



The Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist December 7th, 2025

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us in-person and online today.

The Gathering of the Community

please stand

The Presider greets the community

A Land Acknowledgement for Use at St Clement's

Written by Jenn Ashton, Indigenous Cultural Sensitivity Leader

Led by: Donna Burdick

At St. Clement's Church, we appreciate that we currently reside, work, and worship in the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary lands of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

We recognize, support, advocate for and are grateful to Indigenous individuals and communities who live here now and for those who were forcibly removed from their homelands.

By offering this land acknowledgement, we work to hold ourselves and others more accountable to the needs and rights of Indigenous peoples, here and everywhere.

I, as part of St. Clement's, gratefully and respectfully carry these thoughts today and every day to be reminded of the importance of teaching, culture and contributions of the original caretakers of this land.

The Opening Hymn: There's a Voice in the Wilderness CP 106

There's a voice in the wilderness crying,
A call from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway,
A highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,
The lofty hills brought low;
Make straight all the crooked places
Where the Lord our God may go!

O Zion, give voice to good tidings,
Ascend to the heights and sing!
Proclaim to a desolate people
The coming of their King.
The works of pride all perish,
Like flowers they shall decay,
The power and pomp of nations
Shall pass like a dream away.

But your word, O God is faithful,
Your arm, O Lord, is strong;
You stand in the midst of nations,
And you will right the wrong.
You will feed your flock like a shepherd,
And fold the lambs to your breast;
In pastures of peace you'll lead them,
And give to the weary rest.

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A call from the ways untrod:
Prepare in the desert a highway,
A highway for our God!
The valleys shall be exalted,
The lofty hills brought low;
Make straight all the crooked places
Where the Lord our God may go!

Text: Is. 40.3-11; para. James Lewis Milligan (1876-1961), alt.

Music: Henry Hugh Bancroft (1904-1988).

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

All **And also with you.**

Presider Almighty God,

All **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.**

The Trisagion CP 707

All **Holy God, Holy and mighty,
Holy immortal one, have mercy upon us. X3**

Music: The Divine Liturgy. © 1977, 1982 *St. Vladimir's Seminary Press*. Adapt. *Brigid Coult* (1953-) ©.

The Collect

All are welcome: liturgical resources for trauma-sensitive congregation

Presider Peace-maker,

All **you gave breath to a voice in the wilderness
calling us to prepare,
clothe us in the beauty of your compassion
and swaddle us against all fear,
so that we may rest in your arms of love
and share in your way of shalom.
We ask this in the name of the one
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

*children and youth come to the front
please sit*

The Second Sunday of Advent – *Hope for God's Peace*

Choir Creator of the stars of night, thy people's everlasting light,
Jesu, Redeemer, Saviour of all, hear thy servants when they call.

All sing **O come, O come, Emmanuel, and end this gloom of night.
Bring hope to the world, bring peace to the earth,
and fill us with love's pure light.**

Responsive Litany

Reader In this season of Advent, we pray for God's peace.

All **Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

Reader We witness the hostility between nations and neighbours.

All **Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

Reader We see a world full of fractured relationships and unforgiving hearts

All **Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

Reader We seek relief from our own inner turmoil and restlessness.

All **Christ is our light and the source of our peace.**

Candle Lighting

Reader This morning we light two candles, the candle of Hope and the candle of Peace. The candle of peace reminds us that Christ came into our world to restore peace, and that only through trust in God's word and his promises can we find our own inner peace. We remember that Christ is the Prince of Peace who taught us that through simple acts of love and forgiveness peace is spread throughout the world.

All sing **O come, O come, Emmanuel, and end this gloom of night.
Bring hope to the world, bring peace to the earth,
and fill us with love's pure light.
Bring hope and joy and peace, and fill us with love's pure light.**

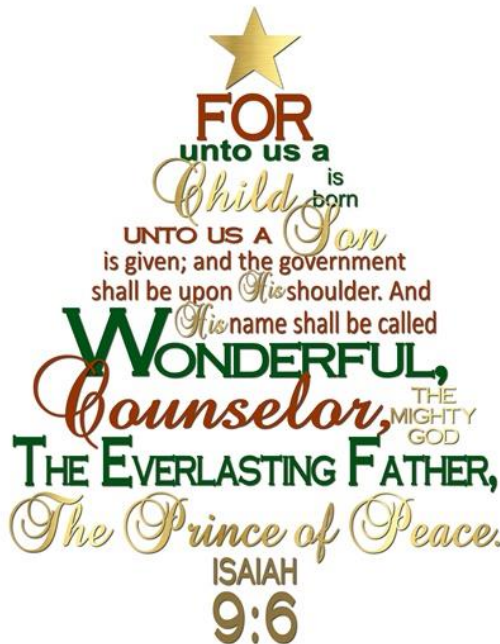


Image from: <https://www.theideadoor.com/other-pages/holidays/christmas-page/christmas-printables/prince-of-peace/>

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (11: 1-10)

Donna Burdick

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader Holy Word. Holy Wisdom.

All

Thanks be to God.

Refrain: Psalm Tone (O come, o come, Emanuel) - Congregation

Composer / arranger: Lynley Lewis
Advent 2: Psalm 72 (1-7)

22 **Refrain**

25

27

1. **Gi - - ve** the king with your justice, O God, /
and your righteousness to the.....**ki - - - ng's son**;
2. **that he may** rule your people righteously, /
and the.....**po - - - or** with justice. Ref.
3. **That the moun-**tains may bring prosperity to the people, /
and the little.....**hills bring righ-teous-ness**.
4. **He shall de-**fend the needy among the people /
rescuing the poor and.....**crush-ing the op-press-or**. Ref.
5. **He shall live** as long as the sun, /and **mo - - - on en-dures**,
from one ge-ne-ration to a.....**no - - - ther**. Ref.
6. **He shall come** down like rain upon the mown field, /
.....like **show'rs that wat-er the earth**.
7. In his time shall the righteous flourish; /
there shall be abundance of peace /
till the.....**moon shall be no more**. Ref.
Glo-ry to the holy and undivided Trinity, /
.....one **Go - - - - d**:
As it was in the beginning, /
is now / and will be forever /**A - - men**.

Key: bold text = moving notes / = pause - - = 2 notes, - - - = 3, etc.

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

‘Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,
and sing praises to your name’;

and again he says,

‘Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people’;

and again,

‘Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,
and let all the peoples praise him’;

and again Isaiah says,

‘The root of Jesse shall come,
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;
in him the Gentiles shall hope.’

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader Holy Word. Holy Wisdom.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual Hymn: Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord (*Godspell*)

Please stand

Refrain (x2) :



A voice now is calling, /
in the desert, / to the crowd.
A plea to make straight, /
make straight / the way of the Lord.

The Gospel

Please all stand for the Gospel as you are able

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (3: 1-12).

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea,
proclaiming, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' This is the one of
whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight."'

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Deacon The Gospel of Christ **All** **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

the song continues



Music and lyrics: Schwartz, Stephen and John-Michael Tebelak (book). *Godspell: A Musical based on the Gospel according to St. Matthew*. Music Theatre International, 1971.

Silence for Reflection

The Shema

Hear, O Israel,
The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
With all your soul,
With all your mind,
And with all your strength.

This is the first
And the great commandment.

The second is like it.
Love your neighbor as yourself.
There is no commandment greater than these.

Text and Music: Lynley Lewis

This music can be listened to here: <https://www.youtube.com/@lynleylewismusic>

Prayers of the People

Elizabeth Mathers

please stand, sit, or kneel

Confession and Absolution

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

All **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.

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

please stand

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.** *Please offer peace to one another with a nod, bow, handshake or hug.*

Offertory Hymn: On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry CP 103

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Awake and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings of the King of kings!

Then cleansed be every life from sin:
Make straight the way for God within,
Prepare we in our hearts a home,
Where such a mighty guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
Our refuge and our great reward;
Without thy grace we waste away,
Like flowers that wither and decay.

To heal thy sick stretch out thy hand,
And bid the fallen sinner stand;
Shine forth, and let thy light restore
Earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
Whose advent doth thy people free,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Ghost, for evermore.

Text: Charles Coffin (1676- 1749); tr. John Chandler (1806-1876), alt.

Music: Melody Musicalishes Hand-Buch, Hamburg, 1690;
harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Prayer over the Gifts *All are welcome: liturgical resources for trauma-sensitive congregations*

Presider Eternal God,

All **risking hope in this season of anticipation,**

watching and waiting for your Holy Light,

we bring our offerings to you and say in faith:

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

We thank you for this bread and wine, gifts of your creation.

We thank you for the gift of Emmanuel: God with us. Amen.

If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to share in the breaking of bread.

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh,
and opened to us the way of salvation.
Now we watch for the day when he will come again
in power and great triumph to judge this world,
that we, without shame or fear,
may rejoice to behold his appearing.
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord CP 722

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Lord God of power and might,
Heav'n and earth are full,
Full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is one who comes,
Who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna
Hosanna in the highest.

Music: PICARDY ; French carol (17th cent.); arr. Patrick Wedd (1948-) ©.

Presider Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

Presider Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Presider With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace
and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with
hope for his coming.

All **Come, Lord Jesus.**

Presider Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word
take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace
on earth.

All **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Presider All praise and glory are yours, Holy one of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us in the language closest to your heart,

All **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

All are welcome: liturgies for trauma-sensitive congregations

Presider This is the bread of life given in love for us.

All **This is the cup of restored relationship with God.**

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

please sit

If you are not physically receiving Communion, then offer this prayer

In union, O God, with all your faithful people gathered wherever the eucharist is celebrated this day, I offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption given to us through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I pray you come into my heart, my soul and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you. May I serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your promised reign of justice and peace; through Christ and in the unity of the Spirit. Amen.

Music during Communion

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People CP 100

Comfort, comfort ye my people;
Speak ye peace: thus says your God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness
Bowed beneath oppression's load;
Speak ye to Jerusalem
Of the peace that waits for them:
Tell her that her sins I cover,
And her warfare now is over.

Hark! The herald's voice is calling
In the desert far and near,
Calling us to new repentance,
Since the reign of God is here.
Oh, the warning call obey!
Now prepare for Christ a way;
Let the valleys rise to meet him,
And the hills bow down to greet him.

Make ye straight what long was crooked;
Make the rougher places plain.
Let your hearts be true and humble
As befits Messiah's reign.
For the glory of the Lord
Now o'er the earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token
That God's Word is never broken.

Text: Is. 40.1-5; para. Johannes G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
Music: Melody Geneva, 1551; harm. Based on Claude Godimel (1514- 1572); rev. Alain Mabit (19??-).
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Don't Be Afraid SANC 123

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
My love is stronger than your fear.
Don't be afraid. My love is stronger
And I have promised,
Promised to be always near.

Text and Music: John L. Bell, 1995

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The Prayer after Communion

please stand

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.

All **and your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Sending

Community Announcements

please sit

A Blessing (our song to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries etc...make your way to the front of the church if you want to share something with us)

Blessing and dismissal

Closing Hymn: Where Jordan Cuts the Wilderness CP 105

please stand

Where Jordan cuts the wilderness, a burning voice now warns:

“You brood of snakes, you hypocrites, prepare! Messiah comes.

There comes a day of harvesting the fruit of faith and love:

The useless culled, the evil purged. Prepare: Messiah comes.

The heritage of Abraham means less than desert stones

Unless we share our need and wealth. Prepare! Messiah comes.

Exploiters of the poor and weak with rage and theft be done.

Prepare the way of holiness, prepare! Messiah comes.

With water I baptize you now in readiness for one

Whose Spirit bathes, whose fire refines- prepare! Messiah comes.

Text: Brian Ruttan (1947-) ©.

Music: Melody Sixteen Tune Settings, Philadelphia, 1812; harm. C. Winfred Douglas (1867-1944). MORNING SONG. Harm. © 1940, renewed 1981, The Church Pension Fund.

Intercessory Prayers for any concerns happen after the service, with an intercessory team, in the chancel (behind the Ambo or place where people speak from). Please wait until there is a chair free, to leave privacy for the person ahead of you.

Pastoral Care: Pastoral concerns may be referred to the Reverend Helen Dunn at 236-888-4938. Please let the clergy know if you or a family member is in hospital.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

Is 35:1-10; Ps 146: 4-9; Jas 5: 7-10; Mt 11: 2-11

For Your Information: The office administrator (Beth Bailey) ONLY responds to office emails during office hours which are Tuesday-Fridays 9.30 am- 1 pm. If there is an issue with filling a Sunday duty, please email your ministry team to arrange a replacement. Contact Reverend Helen for all other administrative inquiries outside of Office hours. Thank you!

Hello all St. Clement's Parents and Children,
St. Clement's cherishes members of all ages including children. If you would like your child/ren to participate in Sunday school, they can follow the teachers into another area of the church following the Children's talk. The area that they will be at will be written on a chalk board in the foyer right before the sidespeople/greeter table. They will remain in school until the passing of the Peace, where they will be returned to you. If your child/ren would like to remain upstairs in the service, that is fine also. There are coloring activities and toys under the last pew on the left and under the front pew on the right that they can take to their pew. Children can take any colouring or activities completed with them at the end of the service but will be asked to leave any other contents (e.g. toys, craft supplies, crayons etc.) behind to be reused in future weeks. Anyone who has questions/thoughts about or would like to help with the Children's Ministry at St. Clement's is encouraged to contact Beth, whose email address is near the back of the bulletin.

What's On This Week and Beyond

Today	after church Ice cream Sunday
Tuesday	1-3 pm The Park Jam- guitar and singing musical drop in. Contact Mike Krouzelka. 3 pm Power Hour Prayer on zoom- contact Lynne Graham. We give thanks and pray for the world and our community. All are welcome. Everything is confidential.
Wednesday	10.30 am Bible Study with Jenny on zoom. Contact Helen. 7.30 pm Bible Study- contact Lynne Graham.
Friday	7.30 am The ROMEOs meet at Cora's Restaurant, cnr Marine Dr. and & Fell, for breakfast and Bible Study. (<i>Retired Old Men Eating Out</i>). Contact David Smith. 10.30 am The Knitwits Knitting group (making bales for the North). Contact Sylvia Enga. 6.30 pm Lamentations by Lynley Lewis (see poster on the next page)

What's On This Week and Beyond continued...

Sunday Dec 21st St Clement's Annual

Christmas pageant- all children are invited and welcome to participate in the weeks leading up to it and on the day of!

*World
premiere*
FRI, DEC 12, 2023



venue St. Clement's Anglican Church
3400 Institute Road, North Vancouver

time 6:30 | mix/mingle
7:15 | intro, impact statements,
screening of Lamentations



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<https://bit.ly/Lamentations-sumud-teshuvah>

**ST. CLEMENT'S
ANGLICAN CHURCH**

**Christmas
Eve**

Services are open
to the whole community.

4:00 pm Family service
7:00 pm Christmas Eve for
the Village (Eucharist)
10:00 pm Christmas Eve
Late (Eucharist)

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-3400 Institute Road-

Ministry Connections

Priest	Helen Dunn	236-888-4938; "helen at stclementschurch.ca"
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*if you'd like to talk to Donna, please do so between 5 and 6 pm any day except Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Ministry Lay Leaders this Week

Altar set-up and clean-up	Wilna Parry
Altar additional clean-up	Barbel Ismen
A/V Technician	Sean Faivre-Duboz
Counters	Sean Faivre-Duboz and Mike Crone
Eucharistic Ministers	Sara Hanney and Alana Prashad
Eucharistic Bread	Wilna Parry
Intercessory Prayers	Sylvia Enga and Lynne Graham
Prayers of the People	Elizabeth Mathers
Readers	Donna Burdick and Ian Thomas
Servers	Christopher Yong and Allison Williams
Sidespeople	Mike Crone and Delayne Sartison
Sunday School Teachers	Beth Bailey (T) and Annabelle Greenwood (A)
Tea/Coffee hosts	Beth and David Bailey

Prayers: *The following are for your prayers this week*

In our own Diocese: Pray for John, our Bishop and Archbishop and Metropolitan; for Stephen, our Archdeacon; Helen, our Regional Dean; and for the North Vancouver Anglican churches. Pray for Shane Parker, our Primate; Chris Harper, our National Indigenous Archbishop. In our diocesan cycle of prayers this week we pray for Holy Trinity Cathedral and Holy Trinity, Vancouver. We pray for all students at the Vancouver School of Theology (including Kevin).

For the wider Church: Pray for the Church of Bangladesh. Pray for the clergy and people in the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines and for our partner parish of St Clement of Alexandria, Payeo. For all Pastors/Priests and congregations of other denominations in Lynn Valley and around the world.

In our parish community: Pray for: Helen, our priest; Peggy, our deacon (and the diocesan Archdeacon for Deacons); Elizabeth, our retired deacon; Jenn Ashton, our Indigenous Cultural Sensitivity Leader and for her diaconal internship at St James, Vancouver; David Smith and Donna Burdick, our wardens; Beth, our parish administrator and children's ministry worker; Lynley, our music director, Mike, our treasurer; Audrey, our envelope secretary; Sean, our AV tech and Brianna, our cleaner. In our cycle of ministries, we pray for all involved in corporate prayer- leaders of the prayers, power hour prayer, prayer chain and intercessory prayers.

In our parish cycle of prayers: Pray for Alison Stevens, John Stowe and for their extended families.

For healing: Pray for Amin; Pat Alexander; Stuart Appenheimer; Beth Bailey; RL Birmingham; S. Birmingham; J. Birmingham and M. Mezzaroba; Karyn; AJ Mezzaroba; Delena Bogard; Oliver Christie; Marie-Claire Concannon; Joanna; Kitty; Judd; K Coyne; Gerry; Margie Dacey; Marion Edwards; Lorna, Duff and Leah Goodwin; Alex Hazell; Barbel Ismen; Olivia; Kelsie Potter; Carol Rowland; Tony S and for their families, caregivers and medical staff.

For outreach: Pray for all newcomers to Canada: Honada & family, Bukhari and Balqiisa, Neema Grace, Malis and his family, Fatemeh, Nasrullah and Mursal, Nasrin & family; Shahla & family, for Bunyamin & family. Pray for protection and safety for those waiting to come: Tsaw Hsar Gay, Lu Kay Paw, Alexander and Ly Gler from Myanmar; for Samir, Rounak and Shalom; Farzad, Mükerrrem and Junia; for Banat's family members in Pakistan and all displaced persons as they seek a place to call home. We pray for all people in war-torn countries where ongoing conflict, displacement and starvation are common including the DRC, Afghanistan, Sudan, Ukraine, the USA, Gaza and Syria. We pray for all those affected by the consequences of climate change. We pray for the community groups which use our building.



The Peaceable Kingdom, by Edward Hicks (circa 1846)

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