



10:00 am

August 23, 2026 — Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Hymn: "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" (CP #565)

Land Acknowledgement

Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first occupied this land we are on. We give thanks to the Coast Salish peoples, the first people of this land. Creator let us be of good mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray. Amen.

Call to Worship

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.**

Sung Gloria: "Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo" (CP #376)

The Collect

O God,
with all your faithful followers of every age,
we praise you, the rock of our life.
Be our strong foundation
and form us into the body of your Son,
so that we may gladly minister to all the world,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

The First Reading: Exodus 1:8-2:10 (*Susan Parsons*)

Psalm 124

If the Lord had not been on our side,
let Israel now say;
if the Lord had not been on our side,
when enemies rose up against us;
then would they have swallowed us up alive
in their fierce anger toward us;
then would the waters have overwhelmed us
and the torrent gone over us;
then would the raging waters
have gone right over us.
Blessed be the Lord
who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
Our help is in the name of the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

The Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8 (*Sharmila Lakhani*)

Gradual Hymn: "Before the World Began" (CP #621)

The Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20 (*Tony Herbert*)

The Sermon: *The Rev. Marnie Peterson*

"Silence & Stillness for Prayer & Reflection"

The Apostles' Creed

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

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.

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

Prayers of Intercession (*Cliff Caprani*)

Confession and Absolution

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin and receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

The Peace: The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: "Fairest Lord Jesus" (CP #619)

— The Celebration of the Eucharist —

Prayer Over the Gifts

**God of all creation, 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,
our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

May God be with you. **And also with you**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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. Fulfilling the promise of resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn: *(CP #732)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. 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 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 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 God's love for us on the way, at the table, and to 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.**

Sung Lord's Prayer *by Gordon Light*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as in heav'n. 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

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.

Communion Anthem: "Come, Share with God" (VU #469) *verses 1, 2, 1*

Come to the banquet for now all is ready.

These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

If you require a gluten free wafer, please only extend one hand. If you do not feel comfortable drinking from the cup, please just acknowledge it and let it pass.

We ask that you refrain from intincting or dipping your wafer.

Communion Hymn: "Laudate Dominum" (CP #313)

Prayer After Communion

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life 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.

Sung Blessing

The Closing Hymn: “We Are Marching” (VU #646)

The Dismissal: Go in peace, share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Many thanks to Cherri Chan for offering beautiful music while Jonathan is away.

Faithful giving expresses gratitude to God, reflects Christ’s call to serve and leaves a lasting legacy. There is an offering plate near the Sanctuary entrance where you may place cheques or cash in person – envelopes are available if you’d like the donation to be credited to you.

You can also make donations online.



Announcements

Flowers in Worship

The flowers this morning are given by Jane & Dennis Campbell to the Glory of God in loving remembrance of their Dads Doug Darling and Robbie Campbell.

And by Diane Blackstock in loving memory of her mother Sylvia in celebration of her 98th birthday.

School Backpack Program 2026

St. Anne's is once again collecting NEW backpacks filled with school supplies up until September 3rd. You may also give a monetary donation to the cause and backpacks and supplies will be purchased on your behalf. The backpacks will be distributed to refugee, low income and immigrant families who are settling in Richmond.

St. Anne's Annual Summer BBQ: August 30, 12 – 4 pm

This is always a great time for our Parish community. We hope you plan to join us!

Summer Book Club

August is: My Body is Not a Prayer Request – with discussion on September 13.

St. Anne's School Lunch Program

Our school lunch program will resume in September. If you would like to volunteer to either make sandwiches or deliver them, please contact Sharmila Lakhani or the Church Office.

Godly Play in the Summertime

For the remainder of August there will be no Godly Play program during the Sunday morning Worship Services. All children and their caregivers are welcome to use the Godly Play room (under supervision) There are activity bags at the Sanctuary entrance.

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*We acknowledge that we gather and worship
on the ancestral and unceded territories
of the Coast Salish Peoples.*