

September 6th 2026

10:00 AM

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

A Eucharistic Liturgy for the Islands and Inlets

Book of Alternative Services

Season of Creation



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We recognize that our faith community gathers on the ancestral lands of the Tsartlip/WJOLEŁP, Tseycum/WSIKEM, Tsawout/SṚÁUTW, & Pauquachin/BOKEĆEN Nations. In a spirit of gratitude and respect, we seek a growing relationship that fosters healing and hope for all our relations on these islands and inlets of the Salish Sea.

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Welcome

A special welcome to visitors and newcomers. Please consider taking a moment to fill in a Welcome card and hand it to a greeter.

Territorial Acknowledgement

Opening Song: *CP # 408 Wind upon the Waters*

The Community Gathers Before God

Call to worship

In the beginning, the Spirit of God hovered over the waters.
And God called them good.

Come Holy Spirit and cleanse the waters.

The prophet saw a river flowing from the Temple, and
wherever the river flowed, everything lived.

Come Holy Spirit and renew the face of the Earth.

Jesus cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me.
Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water."

Come, Holy Spirit and heal your people.

Act of Praise: *CP # 37 We'll Sing in the Morning*

Collect for the Season of Creation

Thanksgiving for the Waters

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for your love in all creation, and especially for your gift of water to sustain and cleanse all life.

Christ is the living water, cleansing, refreshing, and making all things new.

So now we offer our thanks for the waters that bring beauty to all that we enjoy, the wild places, the bush, the mountains, coast and the sea.

We give thanks and praise for all good lands, for the trees and pastures, for our plentiful crops, and for the living water that quenches them.

(Adapted from Anglican Aotearoa NZ Prayer Book)

We praise you for giving us life through water, and for all waters everywhere. We especially praise you for the waters who sustain us in this part of our common home.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave your people water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

You bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. You satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.

The Story of Faith is Proclaimed

First Reading: Ezekiel 47. 9-12

Psalm 65. 5-13

Second Reading: Revelation 22. 1-7

Gradual Hymn: *CP # 162 Sing of God Made Manifest*

Gospel Reading: John 7. 37-39

(Please stand as you are able).

Responding to the Word

Talk by Rev. Denise

Affirmation of Faith Song: *Creation Calls by Brian Doerksen*

*I have felt the wind blow, whispering Your name
I have seen Your tears fall, when I watch the rain.*

*How could I say there is no God? when all around creation calls!!
A singing bird, a mighty tree, the vast expanse of open sea*

I believe

*Gazing at a bird in flight, soaring through the air.
Lying down beneath the stars, I feel your presence there.*

*I love to stand at ocean shore and feel the thundering breakers
roar,*

*To walk through golden fields of grain 'neath endless blue
horizon's frame.*

I believe

Listening to a river run, watering the Earth.

Fragrance of a rose in bloom, a newborn's cry at birth.

How could I say there is no God? when all around creation calls!!

A singing bird, a mighty tree, the vast expanse of open sea

I believe

Prayers of the People

Confession

O God, fountain of mercy and grace, pour over us your pardon. May your love transform us into a source of living waters to restore the strength of your people. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Absolution

May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself, and cleanse you from all your sins, that you may behold the glory of his Son, the word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Offering

(Now is the time to present your offering to God).

Offertory Hymn: *CP# 49 Draw Near and Take*

The Sacred Meal is Shared

Offering Prayer

God, whose Spirit moved over the deep: We thank you for the gift of water - the waters on the Earth, and under the Earth, the waters above us, and within us. Make us mindful of the care of all the planet's waters, that it may richly sustain life for us and for those who come after us. Accept the first fruits we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

God is here

The Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts and minds.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God the Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Creator, with wit and wisdom you formed the universe.

In expectation, your Spirit brooded over all: the midwife of transformation. At your Word, the skies, the seas, the lands and all life came to be. In you, all created things shared life with one another.

In ceremony and song, dance and art, these relationships were portrayed and honoured by the first peoples of these Islands and Inlets.

The plants, the cedars, the creatures of forest, sea and air revealed your wonder and majesty.

When we turned from you, connections were broken and creation suffered. Still, you continued to bring light from night, freedom from slavery, and life from death. Therefore, together with our ancestors in faith and with your beloved creation we sing:

Sanctus: *SaNC # 212*

(Lyrics and Music on following page)

Holy Holy Holy

(St. Aidan Setting)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly
BLESS - ED, BLESS - ED, BLESS - ED,

5
God of pow'r and might,
BLESS - ED IS THE ONE.

9
Heav'n and earth are full are
COM - ING IN THE NAME THE

13
full of your glo - ry Ho -
NAME OF THE LORD.

17
san - na, ho - san - na, ho -

21
san - na in the high - est, Ho -

25
san - na, ho - san - na, ho -

29
san - na in the high - est.

We praise you, Source of all, for the living Word: Jesus
Born in poverty; a child refugee, a worker with his hands.
He gathered disciples and taught and healed the people.
He freely shared our sorrow, joy, and pain. In vulnerability,
he showed power over sin and triumphed over death.

On the night before Jesus died, he feasted with his
companions. He took bread, gave thanks, broke it and
gave it to them saying,

“Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you, do this
to remember me.”

After supper he took the cup and when he had given
thanks, he gave it to his companions saying,

“Drink this, all of you; this is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and the world for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this to remember me.”

**Come Source of life. Come, transforming Word. Come,
Creator Spirit.**

With his sacred presence unbounded by space and time,
we offer to you this bread and cup. Send your Breath of
Life, like wind, blowing where it will, north, east, south and
west. May your Spirit brood over these gifts and all who
feast at this table offering a foretaste of the eternal feast to
come.

May all who share your abundant gifts be incorporated as
one body and one holy people, joined in the offering of
Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection for the
reconciliation of all things.

Reveal the unity of your Church and the mystery of our communion with our holy forebears and those yet to be born, that we may be guided in faith and walk gently on the earth.

Glory and honour to you Triune God, dynamic of love, complete and perfect unity, now, and in all ages.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer
(Gordon Light Version)

Our Father in heaven Hallow'd 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 forever, Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, who summons the salmon from the depths of the seas to yearn for the place of their origin.

So may your Spirit stir in our hearts to return and find our home in you.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God

Please note: You may drink from the common cup but if you do not wish to then simply touch the cup. You must not dip the bread in the cup. We have gluten free wafers and will gladly extend the platter to you for you to take one from it. Please just let us know if you need one.

We are Sent into the World

Prayer after Communion

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life.
May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your
honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Benediction

May the God who sprung water from a rock, quenching the thirst of those who wandered in fear, spare us from the drought of a senseless life. May the God who flows from the wells of salvation, and who is Living Water to the foreigner, the stranger, and the unknown, keep us in peace. May the God who rolls on like a river, changing the course of the world with streams of righteousness that guide the Church's vessel in this world, empower us to work for transformation. And may the blessing of our merciful God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, keep us and preserve us in eternal life. **Amen**

Announcements

Sending Hymn: SaNC # 92 *In Sacred Manner May We Walk vs. 1-4 (with lead vocals)*

CREATION

92 In Sacred Manner May We Walk



1 In sa - cred man - ner may we walk up - on the fair and lov - ing
 2 In sa - cred man - ner may we see the lu - mi - nous and lov - ing
 3 In sa - cred man - ner may we touch the sus - pi - rant and lov - ing
 4 In sa - cred man - ner may we hear the pound - ing waves, the scar - ing



earth, in beau - ty move, in beau - ty love the
 stars, with won - der and with awe be - hold their
 green. Give hon - our and give grat - i - tude for
 fire, the rush - ing wind, the sing - ing night, the



liv - ing round that brought us birth. We stand on ho - ly
 ev - er new cre - a - tive pow'rs. The heav - ens show us
 shade, for bloom, for gift un - seen. The trees shall shout for
 for - est hymn, the lov - ing choir. The morn - ing stars shall



ground. We stand on ho - ly ground.
 God. The heav - ens show us God.
 joy. The trees shall shout for joy.
 sing. The morn - ing stars shall sing.

joy, shout for joy,
 sing, shall sing.

Dismissal

Go, respecting and serving all that God has created.

For God created all and saw that it was good.



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Wardens: Debra Lange & Penny Donaldson

Organist & Choir Director: Marlon Narciso

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	
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In our Anglican Communion	The Episcopal Anglican Province of Alexandria.
In our Diocese	Anna, our Bishop, Trinity Anglican & Lutheran Church Port Alberni BC.
In our Parish	Denise, our Priest, Laura & Stephen Harshly, Gord Hartshorne, Micheal Heddon, Serena & Micheal Hind, Roger & Shirley Hind.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Bishop Anna will be worshipping with our Holy Trinity Family on Sunday September 13th. There will be one service at 10:00AM followed by a community lunch in the Parish Hall. Please contact Penny Donaldson to sign-up and contribute a dish for the lunch.

You can now scan the QR code in the bulletin to donate with your credit card

Next Week's Readings:
Numbers 21. 4b-9; Psalm 98. 1-6;
1 Corinthians 1. 18-24; John 3. 13-17

Presider	The Reverend Denise Doerksen
<i>Todays Lay Leaders</i>	
Server - Crucifer	Amelia Charlton
Sides people	Scott & Annemarie Weston
Reader	Scott Weston
Prayers	Pat Dowdall
Chalice	Judy Meek
Counters	Pat Dowdall & Lorne Seier

NOTICES

- Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed Monday September 7th for the Labour Day Holiday.
- Parish Council Reflections, Reports and Minutes of our monthly meetings are posted in the hall. We hope you take the time to see what your priest, wardens, treasurer and members are prayerfully working on for the benefit of this faith community.
- Rev. Denise is posting an audio file of her sermons on our website. To access a sermon go to our website <https://holytrinityns.org> and click on Sermons in the menu and choose the sermon for a particular week.
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