



***Welcome to the parish of
St. Philip by-the-Sea, Lantzville B.C.***

Sunday, August 23th, 2026

13th Sunday after Pentecost

**9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist
(Book of Alternative Services)**

Opening Sentence

Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. *Matthew 16.16*

The Gathering Hymn

CP#384 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty vs 1, 2, 5, 6

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading

A Reading from the Book of Exodus. *(Ch. 1:8-2:10)*

Psalm 124

REFRAIN Our help is in the name of the Lord.

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; **R**

Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us; then would the raging waters have gone right over us.

REFRAIN Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the Lord! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth. **R**

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped. **R**

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. **R**

The Second Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to The Romans

(Ch. 12:1-8)

The Gradual Hymn

CP #360 Bless the Lord My Soul

The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

(Ch. 16:13-20)

The Offertory Hymn

CP#560 Sister Let Me Be Your Servant vs 1, 2, 4, 6

Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory, receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymns during Communion

CP#507 Blest Be The Tie That Binds

CP#509 Precious Lord Take My Hand

Prayer after Communion

Living God, increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Recessional Hymn

CP#309 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

***The flowers on the Altar are to the Glory of God
and in remembrance of Ruth & Frank Thompson and
Alex & Freda Cembella by Catherine and Don Cembella.***

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With special thanks to:

- *The Rev. Leslie Flynn for celebrating the Eucharist with us this morning.*
- *Louise Cianflone for her music leadership.*
- *Ruth Lynch, Frances Tester, Yvonne Downey and David Wilson who served as greeter, reader, communion assistant, and prayer leader.*
- *The Williams Family who served as Zoom Manager.*

*Your leadership, support and example are greatly valued and appreciated. **THANK YOU!***

Announcements

Sept 3rd: Ladies Group – 1:30pm – Multipurpose Rm
Sept 16th: Men's Breakfast – 8:30am – Country Grocer
Café, Bowen Rd

All detailed event information can be found on the St. Philips website under the Events page: www.stphilipplantzville.ca

In the Worldwide Anglican Community, we pray for:
The Church of the Province of West Africa.

In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for:
Regional Archdeacons.

This week in our Parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we pray for: Keith and Val Addison, Doreen Atkinson, Malcolm and Sushma Atkinson, Debra Baker, Julie Baldock and for all their families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the world.

UPCOMING SERVICE REMINDERS

Sunday, August 30th, 2026, 9.30am
14th Sunday after Pentecost
Service of Morning Prayer (BCP)
Service Leader: David Wilson

Sunday, September 6th, 2026, 9.30am
15th Sunday after Pentecost
Service of Morning Prayer (BCP)
Service Leader: Catherine Cembella

Sunday, September 13th, 2026, 9.30am
16th Sunday after Pentecost
Service of Holy Communion (BCP)
Celebrant: Caleb Lawrence