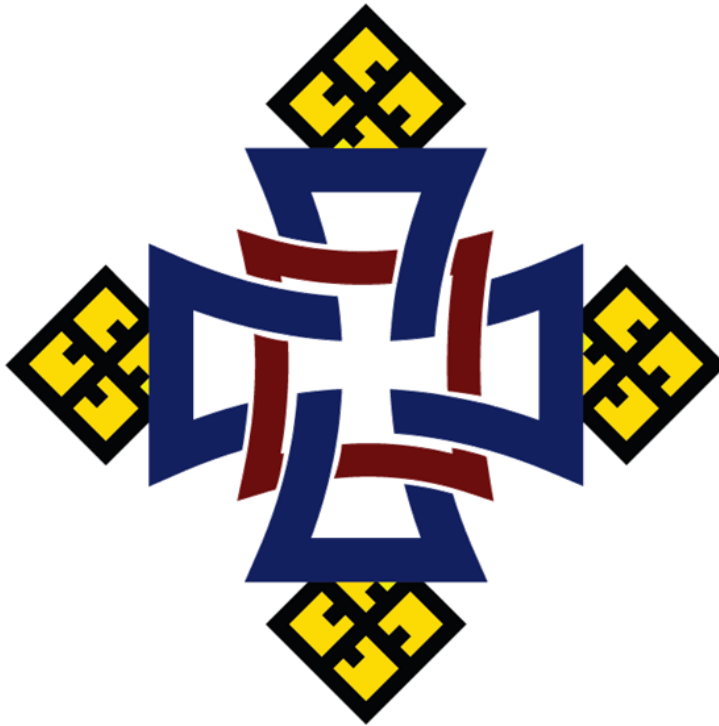


**Holy Communion
Season of Creation
September 20, 2026**



St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church
Diocese of New Westminster

Located on the unceded land of the Musqueam,
Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh nations

Welcome!

If you are new here or visiting, please sign our guest book and stay after worship for refreshments and conversation.

If you would like to request prayers, please write the names of those to be remembered in the book on the small table in the prayer corner.

Communion is in both kinds (bread and wine). All are welcome at the table, and no one is required to take communion. Participants are welcome to consume only bread.

Thank you for joining us today.

Walk with Us

Financial support from members and guests is essential for us to continue to be a place of welcome for all.

Here's how you can give:

Good: Cash or a cheque in the plate. Regular donors get envelopes to ensure tax receipts.

Better: Transfer funds using interac to office@stmarymags.ca Indicate "donation" in the memo line.

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We issue tax receipts for donations of \$20 or more.

The Gathering of the Community

Song

#3 Morning Has Broken

1. Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing, fresh from the Word.

2. Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

3. Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with the elation, praise every morning,
God's re-creation of the new day!

Text: Eleanor Farjeon

Music: Trad Gaelic arr. C Richard Hunt

Presider: Blessed be the One who creates all things.

All: **The Holy One's love is new every morning.**

Presider: As we gather on the unceded and ancestral lands
of the Coast Salish Nations, let us pray
that Christ's grace and peace will be with us.

All: **May we be ministers of the reconciling love of our Creator**

Prayer of the Day

Presider: God of deep compassion,

All: **you welcome the weak and free us from the bondage of sin.
Break the cycle of judgement and violence through Jesus our
forgiveness, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one
God, now and for ever. Amen.**

FWM Proposed Prayers alt.

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus
(Exodus 16:2-15)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

¹ Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name; *
make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.

² Sing to the Lord, sing praises, *
and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord.

³ Glory in the holy name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

⁴ Search for the strength of the Lord; *
continually seek the face of God.

⁵ Remember the marvels the Lord has done, *
the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord,

⁶ O offspring of Abraham the servant of God, *
O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.

³⁷ You led out your people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

³⁸ Egypt was glad of their going, *
because they were afraid of them.

³⁹ You spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

⁴⁰ They asked, and quails appeared, *
and you satisfied them with bread from heaven.

⁴¹ You opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.

⁴² For you, O God, remembered your holy word *
and Abraham your servant.

⁴³ So you led forth your people with gladness, *
your chosen with shouts of joy.

⁴⁴ You gave your people the lands of the nations, *
and they took the fruit of others' toil,

⁴⁵ that they might keep your statutes *
and observe your laws. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians
(Philippians 1:21-30)

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Song

A Man Owned a Vineyard

1. A man owned a vineyard and needed a crew
to tend to his land — there was plenty to do.
He called out to people downtown in the square,
"Come work hard all day and I'll pay you what's fair."
God, you call and you send; there is work here to do.
There's your whole world to tend; may we garden for you!
O Lord, in your vineyard may we seek to be
the workers who tend to your justice and peace.

2. He went back a number of times on that day;
He called to new workers and promised fair pay.
Can we but imagine those first workers' rage
when all those who labored received the same wage?
God, the gift of your grace comes as quite a surprise.
For your mercies embrace even latecomers' lives.
May all who have worked long and hard humbly learn:
Your grace is a gift and not something we earn.

3. He called the complainers and said, "This is true —
that I kept my word and I gave you your due.
I share with compassion; I'm loving and kind.
I care for all people and give what is mine!"
God you give what is yours, more than what we deserve;
May we reach out in love where you call us to serve.
May we who have witnessed your grace gladly share
your justice and love with your world everywhere.

Text: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
Music: William Howard Doane

Gospel Reading

Reader: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.
(Matthew 20:1-16)

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily

The Rev. Tasha Carrothers

Following a period of silence, all are invited to share a brief thought or story evoked by the readings or the reflection.

Song

#471 Let My People Seek Their Freedom

1. "From the slave pens of the Delta,
from the ghettos on the Nile,
let my people seek their freedom
in the wilderness awhile":
So God spoke out of Sinai,
so God spoke and it was done,
and the people crossed the waters
toward the rising of the sun.

2. "From the aging shrines and structures,
from the cloister and the aisle,
let my people seek their freedom
in the wilderness awhile":
So the Son of God has spoken
and the storm-clouds are unfurled,
for his people must be scattered
to be servants in the world.

3. When we murmur on the mountains
for the old Egyptian plains,
when we miss our ancient bondage
and the hope, the promise, wanes,
then the rock shall yield its water
and the manna fall by night,
and with visions of a future
shall we march toward the light.

4. In the maelstrom of the nations,
in the journey into space,
in the clash of generations,
in the hungering for grace,
in our agony and glory,
we are called to newer ways
by the Lord of our tomorrows
and the God of earth's todays.

Text: Herbert O'Driscoll
Music: Melody Gesangbuch

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Let us declare our trust as we say

All: **We believe in God, who creates all things,
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one,
the malnourished one, the climate refugee,
who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it.
Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who reconciles
and renews this world and everything in it.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God,
who moves with God
and who moves among and with us today.**

**We believe in everlasting life in God.
And we trust that one day,
God will put an end to death and all destructive forces. Amen.**

Prayers of the Community

Please stand or sit as you prefer for prayer.

In the prayers of the people, we bring to God the needs of the Church, the world, and all who are in need. If you would like to add a person to the prayers, you can add their names to the book in the front hall or speak to the Vicar.

The Confession

Presider: Creator, out of your abundant love

All: **all things live and move and have their being.**

**We confess that we have turned away from you
and from your image in our neighbours.**

**We have neglected the creatures that surround us,
the water that renews us,
and the earth that nourishes us.**

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us

**that we might hear the song of your creation once again
and see your love in all living things.**

Presider: God forgives you.

Forgive others; forgive yourself.

Through Christ, God has put away your sin:
approach your God in peace. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of God be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

We share the peace of God with one another with a gesture of greeting.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

To make a financial offering, please place it in the offering plate by the door.

Song #72 Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed

1. Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,
for thy flesh is food and indeed;
ever may our souls be fed
with this true and living bread,
day by day with strength supplied
through the life of him who died.

2. Vine of heaven, thy blood supplies
this blest cup of sacrifice;
Lord, thy wounds our healing give;
to thy cross we look and live:
Jesus, may we ever be
grafted, rooted, built on thee.

*Text: Josiah Conder
Music: Johann Crüger*

Prayer Over the Gifts

Presider: Eternal Creator, Holy Wisdom,
All: **all creation yearns in hope to be set free.**

**Receive all we offer you this day
and through this Eucharist
lead us to be servants of your justice and truth
in the name of Jesus. Amen**

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The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

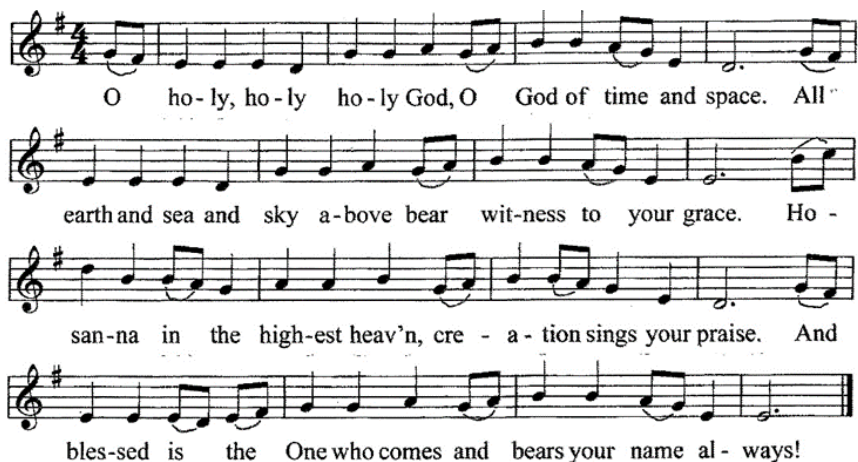
Presider: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to God, our Creator.

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

Presider: It is right at all times and in all places
to thank and praise you, Creator of all.
We praise you here on this Coast Salish land
where the Fraser River meets the Salish Sea,
where city and farm, wilderness and industry are side by side.
We praise you at a time
when the body of earth is broken again and again.
We give thanks for our place in the story of salvation.
Our ancestors journeyed with you in creation and migration.
They depended on the land, were displaced from the land
and displaced others from their lands.
They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains and by wells,
in families and in dreams, and through wilderness prophets
who spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.
Together with angels and ancestors, orca and salmon, bear and raven,
salal and cedar we join our voices with all creation in this ancient honour
song:



Presider:

We give thanks to you for Jesus, whose first bed was a feed trough.
He was baptized into the Jordan, tested in the wilderness,
he travelled in fishing boats and told parables of farmers and seeds,
labour and wages, yeast and bread.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, food of the poor,
the work of field and hearth, he gave thanks,
broke it and gave it to his friends saying:
Take and eat, this is my body, given for you, do this to remember me.

Again after supper he took the cup of wine, fruit of the land,
gave thanks and gave it to his friends saying:
This is my blood, which is shed for you.
When you do this, do it in memory of me.

Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection
and awaiting his coming kingdom, we offer you this bread and this cup.
Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts so that
we know Jesus in them and are gathered together
with everyone who shares this sacred meal of justice and community.

Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that we may strive for justice and peace, respect the dignity
of every human being, and safeguard the integrity of creation.
Bring us with Mary Magdalene and all your saints
to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily, child and beggar
which is both now and yet to come.

All honour and glory are yours, Creator, Christ and Spirit,
now and forever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Cantor

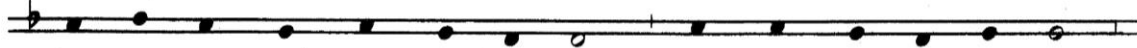


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All



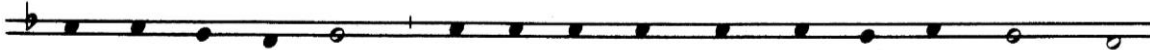
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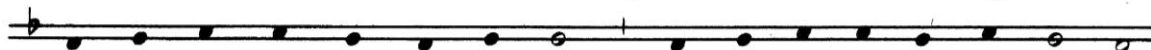
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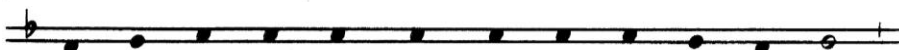
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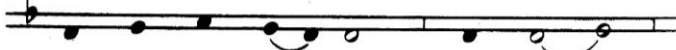
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Creator of all,
You gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered
and made into the one bread.

All: **So may your church be gathered
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

Communion

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please come to the front to receive communion. If you prefer to remain at your place, the bread and wine will be brought to all who wish. Everyone is welcome to receive communion.

Sending Out of the Disciples

Prayer after Communion

Presider: Creator of all,
All: **in the death and resurrection of Jesus
you have reconciled all things in heaven and on earth.
May this bread and wine open our eyes
to your love and justice woven through all of creation.
We ask this through Jesus, your creating Word. Amen.**

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Doxology

Presider: Glory to God,
All: **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

Song

#536 Singing Songs of Expectation

1. Singing songs of expectation,
onward goes the pilgrim band,
through the night of doubt and sorrow,
marching to the promised land.
Clear before us through the darkness
gleams and burns the guiding light:
Trusting God we march together
stepping fearless through the night.

2. One the light of God's own presence,
o'er his ransomed people shed,
chasing far the gloom and terror,
bright'ning all the path we tread:
one the object of our journey,
one the faith which never tires,
one the earnest looking forward,
one the hope our God inspires.

3. One the strain the lips of thousands
lift as from the heart of one;
one the conflict, one the peril,
one the march in God begun:
one the gladness of rejoicing
on the far eternal shore,
where the one almighty Father
reigns in love for evermore.

Text: Bernard Severin Ingemann

Music: Marty Haugen

Dismissal

Deacon:

Go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All:

Thanks be to God.

Please stay for coffee and tea!

This Week at St. Mary Mags

Weds, Sept. 23	12 noon	Centering Prayer
	12:30 pm	Holy Communion
Friday, Sept. 25	12:00pm	Drum Circle
Sunday, Sept. 27	10:30 am	Holy Communion

Next Sunday's Readings

September 27th | Season of Creation

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32



Announcements

Guest Preacher Steven Seegerts: Sept 27th. Steven will be joining us as the guest preacher on September 27th, for National Day of Truth and Reconciliation.

Drum Circle returns on September 25th. Steven will be back and continuing Drum Circle as usual every Friday at noon, starting on the 25th.

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