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



The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Truth and Reconciliation Sunday
Holy Eucharist September 27th, 2026
10:00 am

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

The Gathering of the Community

A Land Acknowledgement for Use at St Clement's

please stand

Written by Jenn Ashton, Indigenous Ministry Leader

Led by: The Venerable Peggy Trendell-Jensen

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: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee CP 425

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father and our Mother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Text: Henry van Dyke (1852- 1933), alt.

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770- 1827); arr. Edward Hodges (1796- 1867).

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.**

Glory to God/ Gloire à Dieu SANC 177

Paperless; call and response
Music: Peruvian trad.

The Collect

Presider God of our salvation,

All **Your bow in the clouds proclaims your covenant
with every living creature.
Teach us your paths and lead us in your truth,
so that by your Holy Spirit,
we may remember our baptismal vows
and be keepers of your trust with the earth and its inhabitants. Amen**

**Hear God's Word, a flame that lights our path each day.
See God's Word, reflected in our lives.
Live God's Word, throughout each day, in work and play.
God's own Word, keeps us alive.**

*(Music: Lynne Graham: Lyrics: Lynley Lewis) This music can be listened to here:
www.youtube.com/@lynleylewismusic*

A reading from the Book of Exodus (17: 1-7)

Abigail Wong

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the LORD, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The LORD said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

Reader Holy Word. Holy Wisdom.
All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78 (1-4, 12-16)

Inclusive Language Psalter. Anglican Church of Canada (2016).

The presider reads the un-bolded verses and the people read the bolded ones

Hear my teaching, O my people;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**

That which we have heard and known,
and what our ancestors have told us,
we will not hide from their children.

**We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord,
who has done wonderful works.**

God worked marvels in the sight of their ancestors,
in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan,
**splitting open the sea and letting them pass through,
making the waters stand up like walls;**

leading them with a cloud by day,
and all the night through with the glow of fire;
**splitting hard rocks in the wilderness,
and giving them drink as from the great deep;**

bringing streams out of the cliff,
and the waters gushing out like rivers.

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians (2: 1-13)

Jennifer Greer

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Reader Holy Word. Holy Wisdom.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful CP 416

please stand

*Refrain All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

Each radiant flower that opens,
Each vibrant bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors,
God made their lively wings.

Refrain

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruit in the garden,
God made them every one.

Refrain

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 (21: 23-32).

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When he [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

‘What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, “Son, go and work in the vineyard today.” He answered, “I will not”; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, “I go, sir”; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?’ They said, ‘The first.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Deacon The Gospel of Christ

All

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

the song continues

The rocky mountain splendour,
The loon’s wild, haunting call,
The great lakes and the prairies,
The forest in the fall.

*Refrain All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.*

God gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is the Creator,
Who has made all things well. *Refrain*

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Music: Melody English trad.; adapt. and arr. Martin Shaw (1875-1958).

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The Sermon
sermon notes

The Reverend Jenn Ashton

please sit

Silence for Reflection

The Affirmation of Faith

please stand

Choir Hear, O Israel, God is one.

All **Love the Lord, your God**
 With all your heart,
 All your soul,
 All your mind,
 All your strength. (O) x3

Choir Hear, O Israel. God is love.

All **Love your neighbour as you love yourself,**
 (O) x3

Choir Hear O Israel.
 This is God's way.

Text and Music: Rev. David Taylor. Adapted by Lynley Lewis (2018).

This music can be listened to here: <https://www.youtube.com/@lynleylewismusic>. Watch the video called "Lamentations" and start play at 7:14

The Prayers of the People

Elizabeth Mathers

please stand, sit, or kneel

Confession and Absolution

Presider We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

Creator, we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly, and acted ungratefully. Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

All forgive us and help us.

Presider We enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but sometimes forget that you have given them to us. In your mercy:

All forgive us and help us.

Presider We belong to a people who are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry. In your mercy:

All forgive us and help us.

Presider We are thoughtless, and do not care enough for the world you have made.

In your mercy:

All forgive us and help us.

Presider We store up goods for ourselves alone, as if there were no God and no heaven.

In your mercy:

All forgive us and help us.

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. Amen.

Adapted from "Let All Things Their Creator Bless": Liturgy for Use During the Season of Creationtide, Diocese of Guilford, pp. 14-15.

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.

The Offertory Hymn: Creating God, Your Fingers Trace CP 410

(to the tune of CP 541)

Creating God, your fingers trace
The bold designs of farthest space;
Let sun and moon and stars and light
And what lies hidden praise your might.

Sustaining God, your hands uphold
Earth's mysteries known or yet untold;
Let water's fragile blend with air,
Enabling life, proclaim your care.

Redeeming God, your arms embrace
All now despised for creed or race;
Let peace, descending like a dove,
Make known on earth your healing love.

Indwelling God, your gospel claims
One family with a billion names;
Let every life be touched by grace
Until we praise you face to face.

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Music: Attrib. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782- 1826).

The Celebration of the Eucharist

please stand

The Prayer over the Gifts

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Presider Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

All **Through your goodness
you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered,
in feeding the world with your love,
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. 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 Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and singing:

Sanctus: Santo es el Señor/ Holy is the Lord SANC 214

Holy, holy, holy, holy,
Holy is the Lord! X2

The angels fill the heavens with a song unto the Lord.
Creation lifts its voice up in a song of gratitude.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna to the Lord. X2

Oh blessed is the one who brings a message from the Lord.

The angels, hear them singing: "Holy, holy is the Lord."

Text: Traditional.

Music: Guatemala trad.; arr. Greg Scheer, 2008, ©.

Presider Blessed are you, O Holy One: When Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home.

All Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Presider At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them. He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me".

After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Loving and Holy One, recalling Christ's death and resurrection, we offer you these gifts, longing for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**All Dying you destroyed our death,
Rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Presider Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.

All Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Presider Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ In the unity of the Holy Spirit, All honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, Now and forever. **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

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

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

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, you are invited to 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

Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him CP 59

Jesus calls us here to meet him
As through word and song and prayer,
We affirm God's promised presence
Where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
Praise the Son who calls us friends;
Praise the Spirit who, among us,
To our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
Sharer of our flesh and frailness,
Saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
Tell his tales that all may hear;
Tell the world that Christ in glory
Came to earth to meet us here.

Jesus calls us to each other:
Found in him are no divides.
Race and class and sex and language-
Such are barriers he derides.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
Join the hands of age and youth;
Join the faithful and the doubter
In their common search for truth.

Jesus calls us to his table
Rooted firm in time and space,
Where the Church in earth and heaven
Finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body;
Share the love of which we sing;
Share the feast of saints and sinners
Hosted by our Lord and King.

Text: John L. Bell (1949-) and Graham Maule (1958-).

Music: Melody Gaelic trad.; adapt. and arr. The Iona Community (Scotland).

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God of the Sparrow CP 414

God of the sparrow
God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake
God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow
God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry
God of the sick
God of the prodigal
How does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbour
God of the foe
God of the pruning hook
How does the creature say Love
How does the creature say Peace

God of the ages
God near at hand
God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda (1919-) ©.

Music: Carl F. Schalk (1929-). © 1983 G.I.A. Publications, Inc.

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

Blessing and dismissal

Draw the Circle Wide CP 418

Refrain: Draw the circle wide.

Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song,

No one stands alone,

Standing side by side.

Draw the circle wide.

God the still point of the circle,
'Round whom all creation turns;
Nothing lost, but held forever,
In God's gracious arms.

Refrain

Let our hearts touch far horizons,
So encompass great and small;
Let our loving know no borders,
Faithful to God's call.

Refrain

Let the dreams we dream be larger,
Than we've ever dreamed before;
Let the dream of Christ be in us,
Open every door.

Refrain

Text and music: Gordon Light (1944-). 1994 Common Cup Company.

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

Rev. Helen Dunn will be away on vacation for the month of October. Pastoral concerns may be referred to Deacon Peggy at "peggy at stclementschurch.ca"
Please let the clergy know if you or a family member is in hospital.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday:

Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Ps 19; Phil 3:4b-14; Mt 21:33-46;

Hello 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, it has started up again, so they can follow the teachers out into the upper room or down into the lower hall following the Children's talk. 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 at the front and back of the church under the pews. Children can take any colouring or activities completed with them at the end of the service but will be asked to leave the 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.

What's On This Week and Beyond

- Today** **After service: coffee, tea and goodies** are downstairs in the Parish Hall.
5.30 pm Young Adults Get Together in the lower hall. Contact Helen.
- Tuesday** **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 on the Gospel of John in person.** Contact the office.
7.30 pm Bible Study- contact Lynne Graham.
- Thursday** **6- 9 pm Yoga Classes in the sanctuary with Kenzie.** Please see the events page on the website for more details and to sign up.
6.30- 7.45 pm Bible Study on the Gospel of John via zoom. Contact the office.
- Friday** **7.30 am The ROMEOs** meet at Cora's Restaurant, cnr Marine Dr. and & Fell, for breakfast and Bible Study. (*Retired Old Mean Eating Out*)
10.30 Knitwits Knitting Club- contact Sylvia Enga.

Ministry Connections

Priest	Helen Dunn	unavailable for October
Deacon	Peggy Trendell-Jensen	604-619-5576; "peggy at stclementschurch.ca"
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Envelope Secretary	Mary-Anne Taylor	"mabt at shaw.ca"; 604-616-6593
Building Coordinator	Joanne Graham	"joannedavid05 at gmail.com"

*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	Jason Rajan
A/V Technician	Ian Gunn
Counters	Gordon Graham and Ian Harvey
Eucharistic Ministers	Wilna and Dave Parry
Eucharistic Bread	Wilna Parry
Intercessory Prayers	Sally Hinnell and Olivia Creighton
Land Acknowledgement Leader	The Venerable Peggy Trendell-Jensen
Prayers of the People	Elizabeth Mathers
Readers	Jennifer Greer and Abigail Wong
Servers	Jason Rajan and Christopher Yong
Sidespeople	Ian Gunn and Gordon Graham
Sunday School Teachers	Beth Bailey and Audrey Yong
Tea/Coffee hosts	Lynne and Gordon Graham

*next week Beth Bailey and TBD

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, Primate; Chris Harper, National Indigenous Archbishop. In our diocesan cycle of prayers this week we pray for Salal and Cedar Watershed Ministry and St Agnes, North Vancouver. We pray for all students at the Vancouver School of Theology.

For the wider Church: Pray for the Anglican Church of Bangladesh. Pray for the clergy and people in the Episcopal Diocese of the Northern Philippines and for our partner parish of St Clement of Alexandria, Payeo.

In our parish community: Pray for: Helen, our priest; Peggy, our deacon (and the diocesan Archdeacon for Deacons); Jenn, our deacon and Indigenous Ministry Leader; Elizabeth, our retired deacon; Allison Williams and her parish discernment group; Lucy Makina and Donna Burdick, our wardens; Beth, our parish administrator and children's ministry worker; Lynley, our music director, Sharon Walker, our treasurer; Mary-Anne, our envelope secretary; Sean, our AV tech; Joanne, our building manager; Jason, our lay pastoral visitor and Brianna, our cleaner. In our cycle of ministries, we pray for our AV and Technical Support team and for our Altar Guild.

In our parish cycle of prayers: Pray for Kevin, for Paul Razavi and for their extended families.

For healing: Pray for Pat Alexander; Stuart Appenheimer; Beth Bailey; Karyn; Delena Bogard; Marie-Claire Concannon; Joanna; Kitty; Margie Dacey; Marion Edwards; Lorna, Duff and Leah Goodwin; Alex Hazell; Barbel Ismen; Olivia; Kate Lunn; Mike Richardson; Kevin Williamson; Ian Thomas; Ray; Henry Bloye; Sandy Hwang; Carol Rowland; Susan Tinker; Leonie (Goodwin); David Smith; Donna Burdick; Becky Barnes; Philip Yong; Steven Seegerts; Caroline Reilly; Alana Prashad 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. Thank you for Tsaw Hsar Gay, Lu Kay Paw, Alexander and Ly Gler finding a permanent home in Australia. Pray for protection and safety for those waiting to come: 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, disease and starvation are common including the Holy Land/Palestine, Nigeria, South Sudan, the DRC, Pakistan, Myanmar, Mozambique and Angola, Madagascar and Ukraine. We pray for all those affected by the consequences of climate change. We pray for the community groups which use our building.

We Love to Have Your Dogs in Church and Just So You Know....

Best practices for dogs in church

These are the “Best practices for dogs in church” adopted by the Parish Council in 2022. The best practices recognize two things: 1) the growing number of people in our neighbourhood for whom having a companion animal with them enables them to come to church and to worship (this is a very good thing); and 2) how welcoming companion animals into our worship space might affect the whole of the community, particularly those who are afraid or uneasy around animals.



Our best practices at St Clement's include:

1. Keeping your companion animal **on a leash at all times** when on the St. Clement's premises (indoors and outdoors)
2. Keeping your companion animal **out of the aisles** once inside the church
3. **Meeting the rector** to ensure the companion animal interacts well with people (children in particular);
4. **A willingness to remove your companion animal** from the church if and when they're giving you those signals that they're becoming distressed (e.g. barking, whining)
5. When your companion animal is interacting with someone, **checking first** to make sure that person is okay with dogs.

Finally, **please consider the size of your dog** when discerning whether they're a good fit for church. If the pews are fuller than usual, please opt to leave your dog at home or in your vehicle (windows cracked for air) so there is adequate seating for people in the pews.

Thank you!

Photo information: One of St Clement's faithful attendees- Mr Darcy

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Painting by our very own Deacon and Indigenous Ministry Worker Jenn Ashton done a few years ago (you can tell because the date is different)