

ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
EVERY CHILD MATTERS ORANGE SHIRT DAY
September 27, 2026



Rector:	The Rev. Vernon Foster	
Deacon:	The Venerable Helen L.	
Hon. Assistant:	The Revs. Pat H., Susan H., Will H., Ven. Brian E.	
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Church Services:	Sunday	8:00 am	Holy Communion
		10:30 am	Holy Eucharist
	Weekdays (except stats)	8:30 am	Morning Prayer (Zoom)
	Wednesday	11:00 am	Holy Communion

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*Please be aware the 10:30 service may be recorded or livestreamed,
and your presence in the service is considered your consent to appear on camera.*

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HOLY EUCHARIST – 10:30 a.m.

This Eucharistic liturgy is based on the Anglican Church of Canada

Book of Alternative Services and for the Islands and Inlets

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

We commit ourselves to working together in a spirit of reconciliation as we worship and serve on the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation.

Celebrant:	The Ven. Brian E.
Preacher:	The Ven. Helen L.
Liturgical Assistant:	Ann W.
Organist:	Freeman D.
Greeters:	Yvonne O., Katherine M.
Duty Warden:	Michele C.

The flowers on the main altar are given by Ann W. to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Terry, a beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, and in thanksgiving for other family members who have gone before.

The flowers on the side altar are given by Linda S. to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for many blessings.

Altar Guild Team: Ann W., Marilyn B., Ann W.

Refreshment Hour is hosted today by: Katherine M., Jane B.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(you may remain seated during the welcome)

OPENING HYMN: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 8 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

MORNING HYMN

GATHERING:

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

May the grace and peace of Christ be with you all.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

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.

GLORY TO GOD:

Carl Haywood

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father.

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Creator God, Sunkwiyatisu and Gitchi Manitou, of peace, justice, and concord;

open our ears, our eyes, our lungs, and our hearts. Give us the spirit of condolence.

Instill in us the Good Mind. Let us seek your justice in a broken world. Let us search

for understanding in your Creation. Help us to be reconciled to you and to each other.

In the self-giving ethic of the Cross, let us be emptied of hatred and apathy, greed and

selfishness. Fill us with the wideness and wildness of your Spirit. In the name of your

First Son, Jesus Christ, we ask all this. Amen

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:6-12

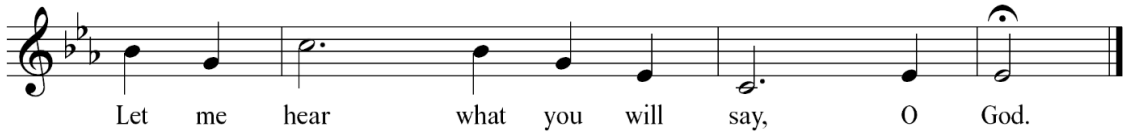
Sarah S.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 85:7-13

CANTOR



SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Gwen I.

Hear what the spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 458 Seek Ye First (vs 1,2)

SEEK YE FIRST

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

(It is our custom to remain standing for the reading of the gospel. Please stand as you are able)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL RECESSIONAL: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

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SERMON:

The Ven. Helen L.

ANTHEM: All Things Bright and Beautiful (13871)

Words: Mrs. C.F. Alexander, Music: Richard Shephard

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION DAY

We believe in God, Creator of all, who made the earth good and entrusted it to our care. We believe in Jesus Christ, who lived among us with humility, who welcomed the outcast, who brings healing, forgiveness, and peace.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, present in wind and fire, present in silence and truth, calling us into right relationship with God, with our neighbour, and with all creation.

We believe we are called to walk humbly, act justly, and love tenderly, seeking reconciliation and peace in this land.

This is our faith; we believe and trust in God, Creator, Christ, and Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Julia R.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Let us, after a moment of personal reflection, confess our sins against God, our neighbour, and creation, trusting in God's mercy and love.

Silence is kept.

**Creator of all,
we confess that we have turned from your ways: we have wounded your earth,
we have neglected our neighbours, and we have forgotten your goodness.
Forgive us, renew us, and restore us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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.**

THE PEACE:

Hear God's promise of a redeemed creation: the wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and a little child shall lead them. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain.

cf Isaiah 11

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

OFFERTORY HYMN: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy LF

1 There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heav'n;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgement giv'n.

2 For the love of God is broader
than the measure of man's mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
But we make his love too narrow
by false limits of our own;
and we magnify his strictness
with a zeal he will not own.

3 There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the head.
There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Saviour;
there is healing in the blood.

4 Foolish hearts why will you scatter
like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts! Why will you wander
from a love so true and deep?
If our love were but more simple,
we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be all sunshine
in the sweetness of the Lord.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and this wine to offer, fruit of the earth and of the vine, and work of human hands, for us they become the bread of life and the cup of salvation; **blessed be God for ever.**

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

A EUCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION:

(You are invited to stand or sit during the Eucharistic Prayer as you desire)

The Lord be with you
And also with you

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you.....we join in the unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Carl Haywood

Holy are you, O God....great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit almighty God, now and forever. **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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:

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.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION:

All are welcome to join us for communion. Our practice is to share the wine from a common cup.

For health reasons you are asked not to dip the bread wafer into the wine.

If you prefer, you may receive bread only. If you are gluten free, please ask for a gluten free wafer.

If you do not wish to receive communion, cross your arms in front of you to indicate to the clergy that you would like a blessing instead. We are happy to come to your seat to serve communion if you are unable to come forward – do let the greeter know.

COMMUNION HYMN: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 375 At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

We give thanks to the Lord for God is gracious,
Our Lord's mercy endures for ever.

Let us pray,

Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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.

BLESSING

May God, Creator of all, fill you with wonder and gratitude.

May Christ, through whom all things are made, teach you to live with love and care.

May the Spirit of life renew you and all creation.

And the blessing of God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always.

SENDING FORTH HYMN: *(Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)*

CP 565 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

DISMISSAL

Our service has ended and our mission begins, lets us go in peace, to love and care for God's creation. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

POSTLUDE: Organ Duet: Freeman Dryden & Charles Harman

Sortie on CWM RHONDDA — Paul Manz