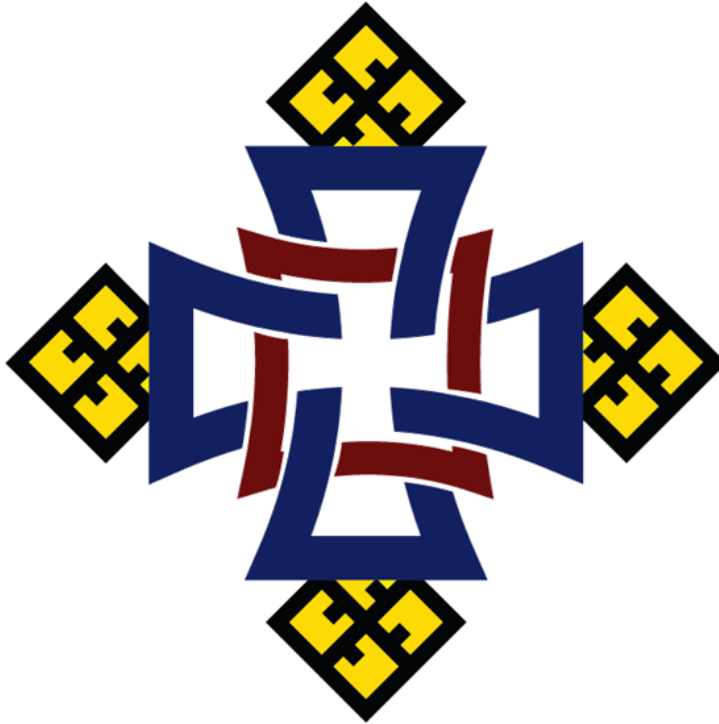


**Holy Communion**  
**National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**  
**September 27, 2026**



**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.

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# The Gathering of the Community

## Song

### #9 Today I Awake

1. Today I awake and God is before me,  
at night, as I dreamt, he summoned the day  
for God never sleeps, but patterns the morning  
with slithers of gold or glory in grey.
2. Today I arise and Christ is beside me.  
He walked through the dark to scatter new light.  
Yes, Christ is alive, and beckons his people  
to hope and to heal, resist and invite.
3. Today I affirm the Spirit within me  
at worship and work, in struggle and rest.  
The Spirit inspires all life which is changing  
from fearing to faith, from broken to blest.
4. Today I enjoy the Trinity round me,  
above and beneath, before and behind;  
the Maker, the Son, the Spirit together –  
they called me to life and call me their friend.

*Words and Music John L. Bell (1949 –)*

*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:*

Gracious God,

*All:*

**you call us to fullness of life:  
deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties  
through the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

*Common Worship: Additional Collects (2004) alt.*

# Proclamation of the Word

## First Reading

*Reader:*

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

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

*All:*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Silence is kept.*

## Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

<sup>1</sup> Hear my teaching, O my people; \*

**incline your ears to the words of my mouth.**

<sup>2</sup> I will open my mouth in a parable; \*

**I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**

<sup>3</sup> That which we have heard and known,  
and what our ancestors have told us, \*

**we will not hide from their children.**

<sup>4</sup> We will recount to generations to come  
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, \*  
**who has done wonderful works.**

<sup>12</sup> God worked marvels in the sight of their ancestors, \*  
**in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan,**

<sup>13</sup> splitting open the sea and letting them pass through, \*  
**making the waters stand up like walls;**

<sup>14</sup> leading them with a cloud by day, \*  
**and all the night through with the glow of fire;**

<sup>15</sup> splitting hard rocks in the wilderness, \*  
**and giving them drink as from the great deep;**

<sup>16</sup> bringing streams out of the cliff, \*  
**and the waters gushing out like rivers.**

## Second Reading

*Reader:* A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Philippians  
(Philippians 2:1-13)

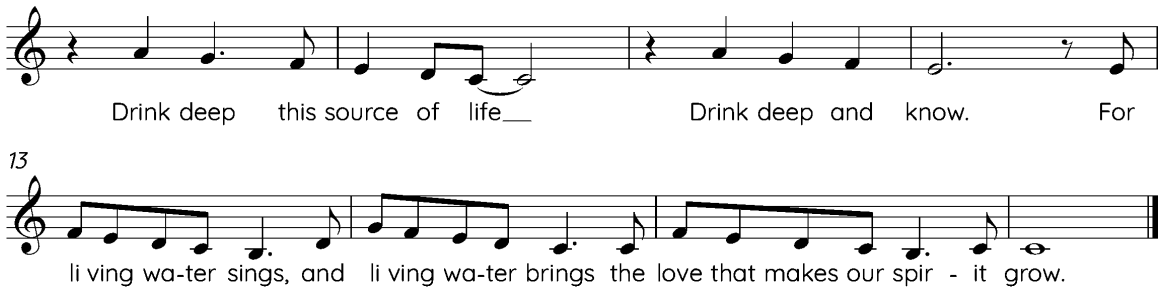
*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence is kept.*

## Song Water Flowing from the Mountains

1. Wa-ter flow - ing from the moun-tains, wa-ter flow - ing o'er the earth,  
2. Wa-ter rush - ing down the ri - vers, wa-ter rush - ing to the sea,  
3. Wa-ter spring-ing from the dry place, wa-ter spring-ing in the sun,  
5 wa-ter comes to us, so pre - cious, li-ving wa-ter gives us birth,  
wa-ter comes to us, so pre - cious, li-ving wa-ter makes us free,  
9 wa-ter comes to us, so pre - cious, li-ving wa-ter for each one



*Text and Music: Jim Hannah*

## Gospel Reading

*Reader:* May God be with you.

*All:* **And also with you.**

*Reader:* The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.  
(Matthew 21:23-32)

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

*Reader:* The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Homily

Steven Seegerts

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

## Song

### #584 The Church of Christ in Every Age

1. The church of Christ in every age,  
beset by change but Spirit-led,  
must claim and test its heritage  
and keep on rising from the dead.
2. Across the world, across the street,  
the victims of injustice cry  
for shelter and for bread to eat,  
and never live until they die.
3. Then let the servant church arise,  
a caring church that longs to be  
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,  
and clothed in Christ's humanity.
4. For he alone, whose blood was shed,  
can cure the fever in our blood,  
and teach us how to share our bread  
and feed the starving multitude.

5. We have no mission but to serve  
in full obedience to our Lord:  
to care for all, without reserve,  
and spread his liberating word.

*Text: Fred Pratt Green*

*Music: Essex trad. arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams*

## **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.*

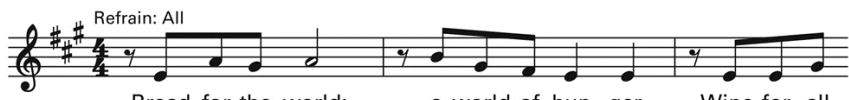
## The Celebration of the Eucharist

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

### Song

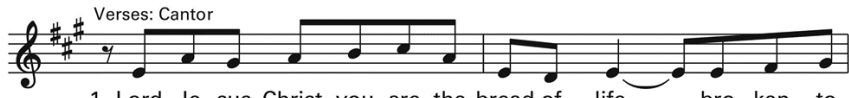
#### Bread for the World

Refrain: All



Bread for the world: a world of hun-ger. Wine for all  
peo-ple: peo-ple who thirst. May we who eat  
be bread for oth-ers. May we who drink pour out our love.

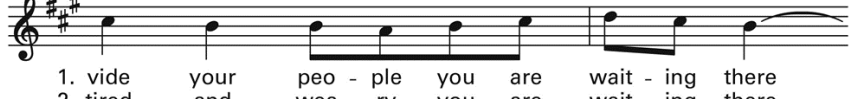
Verses: Cantor



1. Lord Je-sus Christ, you are the bread of life, bro-ken to  
2. Lord Je-sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, poured in-to  
3. Lord Je-sus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the

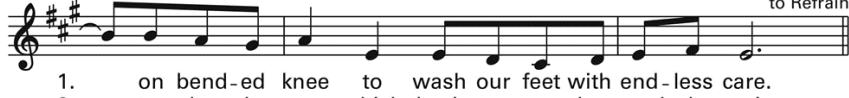


1. reach and heal the wounds of hu-man pain. Where we di-  
2. hearts once bro-ken and where dry-ness sleeps. Where we are  
3. rich and pow'r-ful have be-come the least. Where we sur-



1. vide your peo-ple you are wait-ing there  
2. tired and wea-ry, you are wait-ing there  
3. vive on oth-ers in our hu-man greed,

to Refrain



1. on bend-ed knee to wash our feet with end-less care.  
2. to be the way which beck-ons us be-yond de-spair.  
3. you walk a-mong us beg-ging for your ev-'ry need.

*Text and music: Bernadette Farrell*

## 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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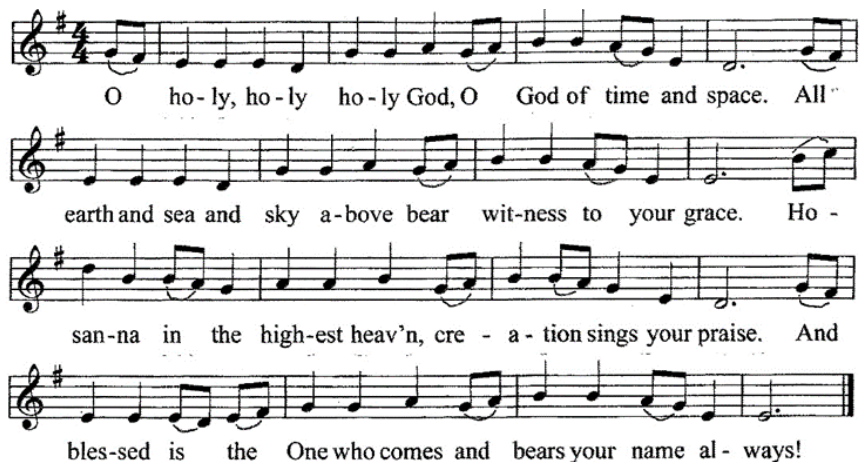
## The Great Thanksgiving

*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 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 the 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**

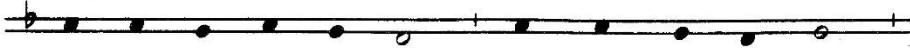
## The Lord's Prayer

*Cantor*

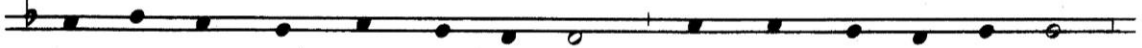


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*All*



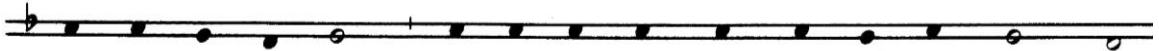
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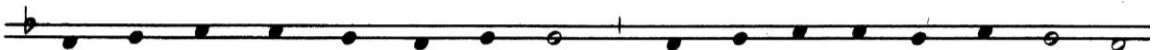
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



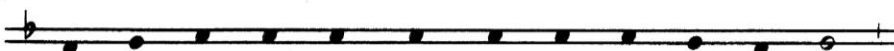
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



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

#### # 631 The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

1. The kingdom of God is justice and joy;  
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy.  
God's power and glory in Jesus we know;  
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.
2. The kingdom of God is mercy and grace;  
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,  
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share;  
and hope is awakened in place of despair.
3. The kingdom of God is challenge and choice:  
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!  
God's love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross:  
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.
4. God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;  
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.  
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call;  
and all things cry "Glory!" to God All in All.

*Text: Byrn Austin Rees Music: German Trad.*

## 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. 30 | 12 noon  | Centering Prayer       |
|                | 12:30 pm | Holy Communion         |
| Friday, Oct. 2 | 12:00pm  | Drum Circle            |
| Sunday, Oct. 4 | 10:30 am | Holy Communion         |
| Sunday Oct.11  | 12ish    | Second Sunday Potluck! |

## Next Sunday's Readings

October 4th | Season of Creation

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

## Announcements

**Guest Preacher Steven Seegerts.** We are delighted to welcome our own Steven Seegerts, Coordinating Minister of Urban Aboriginal Ministry, as guest preacher today. Steven has been offering a ministry of healing and reconciliation for many years, most recently through our rtner ministry Urban Aboriginal Ministry. [oik;juh

**What are we doing when we celebrate Holy Communion?** Many of us have an intuitive and heartfelt connection to the Eucharist. This six-week series explores how this practice emerged and what it can mean for our spiritual lives. The format is similar to *Transforming Questions*, with prayer, learning, questions and discussion. **Sundays** beginning October 4, ending November 15. No session October 11. **Wednesdays** beginning October 7, ending November 25. No session November 11.



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