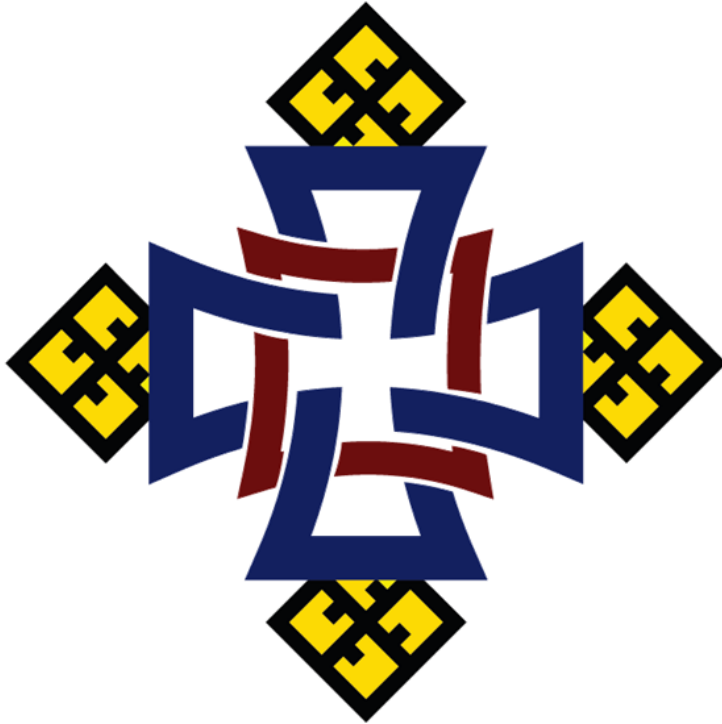


**Holy Communion
Season of Creation
October 4, 2026**



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:

Sunday morning

Cash or a cheque in the plate. Tap is now available at the back of the church. Regular donors get envelopes to ensure tax receipts.

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

Best way to go! Sign up for pre-authorized debit to have a monthly donation transferred directly from your bank account. See Tasha or Ann for details.

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

Music copied with permission under OneLicense.net #A-710847. All rights reserved.

The Gathering of the Community

Song #417 Let's Sing unto the Lord

1. Let's sing unto the Lord a hymn of glad rejoicing.
Let's sing a hymn of love, joining hearts and happy voices.
God made the sky above, the stars, the sun, the oceans;
their goodness does proclaim the glory of God's name.

Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let's sing unto the Lord. Alleluia!

2. Let's sing unto the Lord a hymn of adoration,
express unto the Lord our songs of faith and hope.
Creation's broad display proclaims the work of grandeur.
The boundless love of one who blesses us with beauty.

Refrain

Text and Music: Carlos Rosas

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: O loving God,

All: **keeper of the vineyard, support your people by your Holy Spirit,
so that we may bring forth the fruits of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ, the eternal vine. Amen.**

FWM Proposed Prayers alt.

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Reader: A reading from the Book of Exodus
(Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20)

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Psalm 19

- ¹ The heavens declare the glory of God, *
and the firmament shows the handiwork of the Lord.
- ² One day tells its tale to another, *
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- ³ Although they have no words or language, *
and their voices are not heard,
- ⁴ their sound has gone out into all lands, *
and their message to the ends of the world.
- ⁵ In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun; *
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- ⁶ It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again; *
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- ⁷ The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- ⁸ The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes.
- ⁹ The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgements of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.
- ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, *
more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, *
than honey in the comb.
- ¹¹ By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- ¹² Who can tell how often they offend? *
Cleanse me from my secret faults.
- ¹³ Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; *
let them not get dominion over me;
then shall I be whole and sound, *
and innocent of a great offense.
- ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable in your sight; *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Second Reading

Reader: A reading from the Third Letter of Paul to the Philippians
(Philippians 3:4b-14)

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence is kept.

Song **#469 Sing Praises Old and New**

1. Sing praises old and new;

past and present join in one.

Old covenants renew:

new commitments have begun.

God's soaring purpose spans

all ages, lives and lands.

Christ's open, wounded hands

past and present join in one.

2. Word, from the heart of God,

costly, unexpected grace;

love, making all things good,

light of all the human race;

hail, Wisdom, deep and vast,

shining in Israel's past,

raising the least and last:

costly unexpected grace!

3. Great Spirit, make us wise;

doors of promise open wide.

Though evil's deadly lies

truth and goodness set aside,

faith never stands alone,

hope rolls away the stone,

love makes your presence known,

doors of promise open wide.

4. People of hope, be strong!

love is making all things new.

Lift our united song,

show what faith can dream and do!

Come, Presence, ever near,

revive us year by year.

Sing through our joy and fear,

"Love is making all things new!"

Text Brian Wren Music: John Carter

Gospel Reading

Reader: May God be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of Jesus according to Matthew.
(Matthew 21:33-46)

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. Copies of the homily are available at the back.

Song

#410 Creating God, Your Fingers Trace

1. 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.
2. Sustaining God, your hands uphold earth's mysteries known, or yet untold;
let water's fragile blend with air, enabling life, proclaim your care.
3. 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.
4. 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.

Text: Jeffery Rowthorn Music: Elkanah Kelsay Dare

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 #429 For the Beauty of the Earth

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

2. For the beauty of each hour of the day and off the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

5. For each perfect gift of thine to our race to freely given,
graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise

Text and music: Bernadette Farrell

Prayer Over the Gifts

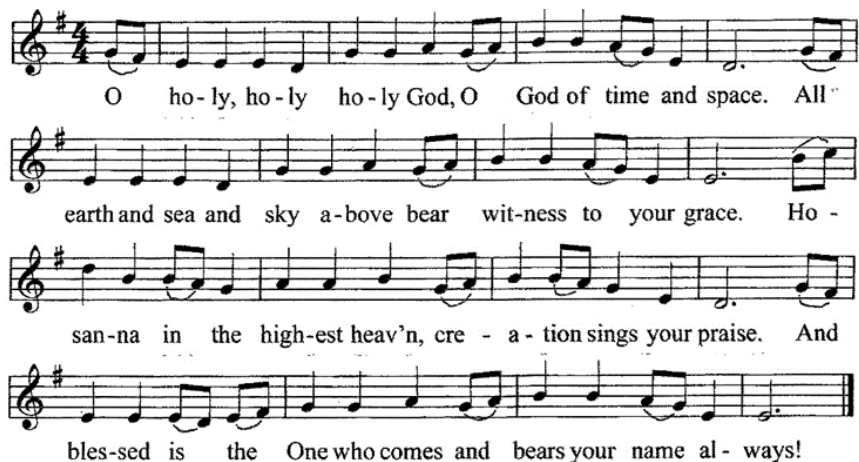
Presider: Eternal Creator, Holy Wisdom,
All: **all creation yearns in hope to be set free.
Receive all we offer you this day
and through this Eucharist
lead us to be servants of your justice and truth
in the name of Jesus. Amen**

Feast of the Creator Liturgical Resources

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**

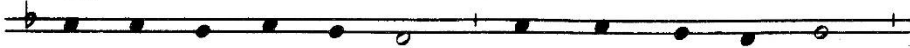
The Lord's Prayer

Cantor

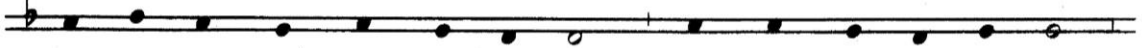


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All



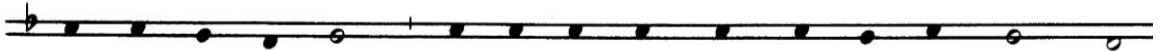
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name.



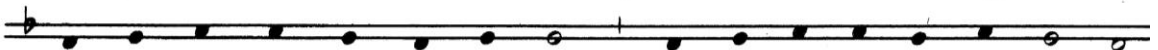
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



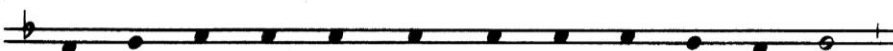
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.



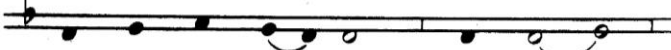
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



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.

Feast of the Creator Liturgical Resources

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

#259 For the Fruit of All Creation

1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God;
gifts bestowed on every nation, thanks be to God.
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.
2. In the just reward of labour, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done.
In our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Text: Fred Pratt Green Music: Melody Welsh

Dismissal

Deacon: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

This Week at St. Mary Mags

Weds, Oct. 7	12 noon	Centering Prayer
	12:30 pm	Holy Communion
Friday, Oct. 9	12:00pm	Drum Circle
Sunday, Oct. 11	10:30 am	Holy Communion
	after church	Second Sunday Potluck!
	approx. 1pm	Lord's Prayer group study

Next Sunday's Readings

October 11th | Thanksgiving

Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

Announcements

Lord, teach us to pray. This fall's study series is now on the **Lord's Prayer**. We say it every Sunday. Some of us were taught to say it by heart every night at bedtime. But just what are we praying for? Over six sessions, we will explore the Lord's Prayer as a gateway to the Christian gospel, as a guide to our own prayers and as a way of deepening our relationship with God. The format is similar to *Transforming Questions*, with prayer, learning, questions and discussion.

Sundays beginning today, ending November 15. No session October 11. **Wednesdays beginning October 7**, ending November 25. No session November 11.

No cash? No problem. Tap to donate is now available at the back of the church.

Breaking the Stained Glass Ceiling--Celebrating 50 Years of Women in the Priesthood
Fifty years ago, the Diocese of New Westminster was among the first in the Anglican Church of Canada to ordain women to the priesthood. Come join in a special worship service followed by a panel discussion, moderated by the Rt. Rev. Melissa Skelton, on the lived experiences and stories of women in the priesthood. **Our own Barbara Liotskos is one of the panelists.**
This event is free. Please RSVP to help us plan food. **October 17th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm** at St. Faith's Anglican Church, 7284 Cypress St.



St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church

2950 Laurel Street | Vancouver, B.C. | V5Z 3T3

office@stmarymags.ca | stmarymags.ca

The Rev. Tasha Carrothers, Vicar

Dave Dagta, Musician

