



On the traditional land of the Semiahmoo

the Parish of St. Mark

O C E A N  P A R K

October 11, 2026
Harvest Thanksgiving



Welcome!

We are so glad you have come to St. Mark's today!

In this place we do two primary things: we give thanks to God and pray for the world. If there is something on your heart you need to share with God, this is the right place to share it.

*You are God's Beloved Child, and you belong **here**.*

This morning in worship...

On this Thanksgiving Sunday, ten people cry out to Jesus for mercy, and ten are healed—but only one returns. He comes back praising God and giving thanks. Perhaps gratitude is more than noticing what we have received; it is an invitation to return to the One from whom every good gift comes. **I wonder what might draw you back to Jesus in gratitude today.**

The altar flowers are given today by **Kathryn** and family to the glory of God and in Loving memory of Hilda and Les Smith, parents and grandparents as well as Derrick, brother and uncle. To dedicate flowers, please sign up on the flower chart in the hall and let the office know your dedication.



Today's Scripture

From Introductions to the Lessons by Bill Bennett.

Deuteronomy 8:7-18 When God blesses us with abundance, we should never forget where our blessings and our strength come from.

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 Paul encourages us to give generously and cheerfully, trusting that God will provide for our needs so that we can continue to bless others.

Luke 17:11-19 As Jesus begins his final journey south to Jerusalem, he encounters ten lepers appealing for help.

Kids Club

Today is **Manna Sunday**! Through stories, games, activities, and conversation, children will discover the Jesus is always giving us the food we need. Kids Club is a safe, welcoming, and fun place to learn and grow in faith. Kids Club Crew are trained and approved for ministry with children and follow St. Mark's safe ministry policies.

Coffee Hour

Please gather in the hall for coffee and refreshment following the service.

Next Week: October 18

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

Father Dara preaches.

the Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

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.

Common Praise 258

**We plough the fields and scatter
the good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.**

***All good gifts around us are sent
from heaven above;
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.***

**He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star.
The winds and waves obey him;
by him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.**

**We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good:
The seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
And, what thou must desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.**

Thank You, Lord
Traditional

**Thank you, Lord,
thank you, Lord,
thank you, Lord,
I just want to thank you, Lord.**

**Been so good,
been so good,
been so good,
I just want to thank you, Lord.**

Gracious One,
**you satisfy the need of every living
creature. Fill us with gratitude for the
abundance of the earth and for the
bonds of love and care that unite all
creation into one family. May our
thanks be the soil in which dreams of
justice grow and thrive; through Jesus
Christ, the Lord of the harvest. Amen.**



Manna Sunday!

We have a wonderful program for your child this morning. They will return for Communion. Please note that all our adult Kids Club Crew have had a criminal record check and are approved by the Diocese of New Westminster to work with vulnerable people. All our Youth Crew have completed a Safe Church Training through the Parish.

the Proclamation of the Word

We have large-print versions of the Scripture available for those who need one. Please ask a greeter for one.

The Book of Deuteronomy (8:7-18).

Listen for God's Word.

Our hearts are open.

Psalms 65

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;

to you shall vows

be performed in Jerusalem.

To you that hear prayer

shall all flesh come.

Our sins are stronger than we are,

but you will blot out our transgressions.

Happy are they whom you choose

and draw to your courts to dwell there!

They will be satisfied

by the beauty of your house,

by the holiness of your temple.

Awesome things will you show us

in your righteousness,

O God of our salvation,

O Hope of all the ends of the earth

and of the seas that are far away.

You make fast the mountains by your power;

they are girded about with might.

You still the roaring of the seas,

the roaring of their waves,

and the clamour of the peoples.

Those who dwell at the ends of the earth

will tremble at your marvellous signs;

you make the dawn and the dusk

to sing for joy.

You visit the earth and water it abundantly;

you make it very plenteous;

the river of God is full of water.

You prepare the grain,

for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows

and smooth out the ridges;

**with heavy rain you soften the ground
and bless its increase.**

You crown the year with your goodness,

and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the fields of the wilderness

be rich for grazing,

and the hills be clothed with joy.

**May the meadows cover themselves
with flocks,**

and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;

let them shout for joy and sing.

Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians
(9:6-15).

Listen for God's Word.

Our hearts are open.

Alleluia

Jerry Sinclair

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Luke 17:11-19

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Sermon Notes

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."



The Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary; who suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; who descended to the dead; who, on the third day, rose again; who ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; who will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

While we have chiefly come to give thanks to God, our second purpose for gathering is to intercede for the world. We know that "the prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective" (James 5:16).

The Confession & Absolution

Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you!

the Celebration of the Eucharist

*We collect our tithes and offerings and present them to the Lord. We give thanks to God for your generosity to the ministry of this community. You can give using an envelope, by signing up to our Pre-Authorized Debit program, or by using the terminal in the foyer. **Today we use a Eucharistic Prayer for the Season of Creation.***

Common Praise 259

**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.**

**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.**

**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.**

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.

The priest continues in prayer.

Holy Holy Holy Lord

Argentine traditional

**Holy, holy, holy,
my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words:
you are holy, Lord.**

**Santo, santo, santo,
mi corazon te adora!
Mi corazon te sabe decir:
santo eres Senior.**

The priest continues in prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

the Reverend David Taylor

**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.**

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 Children of God.

Thanks be to God.

All are invited to receive Communion.

Prayer for healing is offered during communion on the right side of the sanctuary.

Give Thanks

Henry Smith

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.**

**And now let the weak say,
"I am strong,"
let the poor say, "I am rich"
because of what the Lord
has done for us;**

Give thanks.

Sanctuary

John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.**

Common Praise 532

**What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer!**

**Have we trials or temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Christ the Saviour is our refuge;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do our friends despise, forsake us?
Are we tempted to despair?
Jesus' strength will shield our weakness,
and we'll find new courage there.**

Announcements

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

Common Praise 349

**All people that on earth do well,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice,
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
come ye before him and rejoice.**

**Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.**

**O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.**

**For why, the Lord our God is good;
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.**

Go in peace to live the gospel,
extending God's invitation to all.
Thanks be to God.

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Financial Support

Thank you for your faithful stewardship through your tithes and offerings. Your generosity helps St. Mark – Ocean Park continue its ministry and serve our community.

If you would like to become a regular giver, please complete a welcome card and give it to a greeter or the priest.

Ways to Give:

- Cash or cheque (payable to The Parish of St. Mark – Ocean Park)
- Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)
- Electronic Donation Station (EDS) in the foyer (ushers are happy to help)
- e-Transfer to **give@stmarkbc.org**
- CanadaHelps through our website

If you would like donation envelopes, please contact the parish office.

Tax receipts are issued each February for donations made during the previous calendar year.

The Pulse

Youth News

Youth Group
Grades 8 to 12
Fridays from 7 to 9 pm

**October 16th is
Pet Night**

Yes, you maaaay bring your pet...
but you can also bring a friend...



Today is Manna Sunday!

Children are welcome to join the fun downstairs where there will be games, activities and a story about **God giving us the spiritual food we need to live!**

Sunday Videos!

Check out our YouTube channel each Sunday for great videos to watch with your children!

@st.mark-oceanparkanglicanc3043

The Lunch Basket is given this week by **Lyn Reynolds** to the glory of God In loving memory of Alan and Craig. Forever in our hearts



Prayer Chain & Sunday Intercessions

If you, or someone you know is in need of prayer, please connect with **Lynne** at lynneh1@telus.net. She will share your request with a community of faithful intercessors!

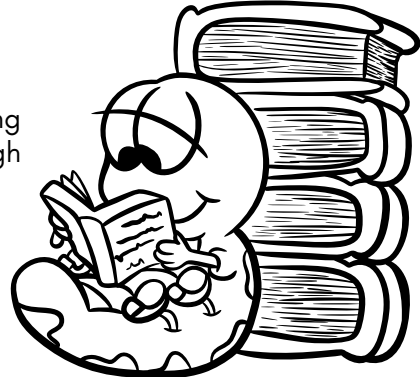
To have a name mentioned in the Sunday Intercessions, please write their name on the sheet at the back of the sanctuary, connect with **Michael** at michael@klaverrealtor.ca, or contact the office.

Library News

A Call to Mercy: Hearts to Love, Hands to Serve

by Mother Teresa

Mother Teresa shares reflections on mercy, compassion, and serving others. This inspiring book encourages us to show God's love through simple acts of kindness and care for those in need.



News & Events

This week at the Parish

Monday	Office Closed
Tuesday	ACW meeting 2pm Men's Club 6 pm
Wednesday	Holy Communion, 10 am
Thursday	Contemplative Prayer 7 pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm
Friday	Youth Group 7 pm

Men' Club Dinner Meeting

Tuesday, October 13 at 6pm

Please RSVP by October 6.

Welcome back after our summer break! Our guest speaker is George Passmore, MA, RCC, Executive Director of Sources BC, who will share highlights of their many community ministries. We will enjoy a meal of chicken pot pie, scalloped potatoes & pumpkin pie

ACW Mission to Seafarers Christmas Drive October 18 to November 27

The ACW is collecting Christmas gifts for seafarers at the Port of Vancouver. Donations of **socks, toques, work gloves, cowls (no scarves), and toiletries** for men and women are welcome.

We are also collecting **Canadian magazines, puzzles, and small stuffed animals** that seafarers can take home as gifts for their families. Look for the collection area in the Narthex!

THANK YOU!

First Fruits Sunday Market

A huge thank you to Serena for all the work she put into the wonderful First Fruits Sunday Market! We anticipate using the funds raised to support members of our community to have access to fresh fruit and veggies over the winter months. Stay tuned to learn more!

Pet Blessing

It was wonderful to see so many of the creatures we love and care for at church on Sunday for our St. Francis Animal Blessing! Here is a snapshot of Ginger receiving a special blessing.

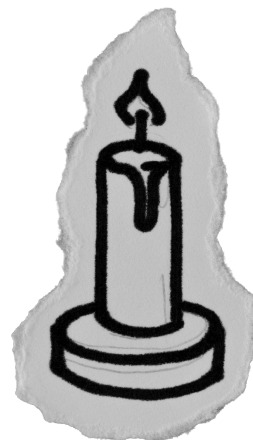




Mental Health Corner: Give Yourself Permission to Rest

Rest is not something we have to earn. When life is busy, it can be easy to feel guilty about slowing down—as though every moment needs to be productive. But our minds and bodies need periods of quiet, recreation, sleep, and simply doing nothing.

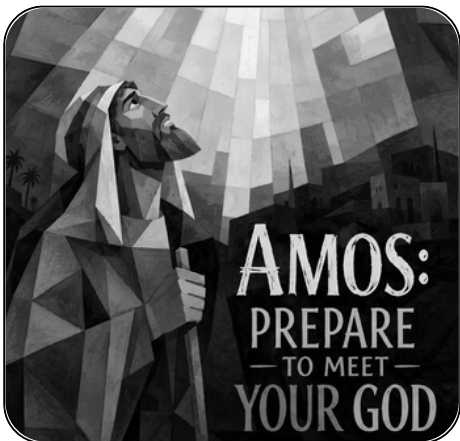
This week, notice when you are tired rather than automatically pushing through it. Take a walk, put down your phone, sit with a cup of tea, go to bed a little earlier, or spend a few minutes doing something simply because you enjoy it. Rest is not time wasted. It is part of caring for yourself.



The Feast of All Souls

On Sunday, November 8, at our 10am All Souls service, we will remember by name those whom we love but see no longer. Over the next few weeks, look for the Book of the Dead at church and add the names of loved ones you would like remembered in prayer during the service.

And remember to **make use of our new votive candle stand** as a spiritual practice. Light a candle in memory of someone you love, as a prayer for someone in need, or simply as a sign of your prayer continuing before God.



This week we begin our journey through the prophet Amos. Over seven weeks, we'll use Amos to explore what the prophetic books are, who the prophets were, and what their voices might have to say to us today. Along the way, Amos will challenge us with difficult questions about justice, worship, responsibility, and what it means to be God's people in the world.

Come and meet the prophets—and discover why their ancient voices still matter.

Available Today:

Amos, Part 1 — **Meeting the Prophets**

Coming Wednesday: Amos, Part 2 — **Why is God so Angry?**

*Amos begins with a startling picture of God's anger at the nations—and then at Israel itself. What has made God so angry? And what might God's anger reveal about **what God loves and cares about most?***

Pick up the current study booklet at church or find all Inspire studies on our website.

the Prayer Corner

Season of Creation 2026: Living Water

Ezekiel 47:5

"It was a river that I could not cross, for the water had risen; it was deep enough to swim in."



Stepping into the River

The invitation of Ezekiel's vision is not simply to admire the river but to step into it. God's renewing work continues today, and each of us is invited to become part of it. Every prayer, every act of mercy, every effort toward reconciliation, every kindness shown to neighbour or stranger becomes another current in God's river of life.

Wonder

**I wonder what it would mean for you to step more deeply into God's river this week.
I wonder where God is inviting you to bring hope, healing, or peace.**

Prayer

Lord Jesus,

you invite us to follow where your Spirit leads.

Give us courage to step into your river of life.

May your love flow through our hands, our words, and our choices,

until others discover your hope through us

and all creation joins in your song of praise;

through Jesus Christ, the Living Water of the world. Amen.

Daily Bible Readings

Monday Luke 8:26-39
Tuesday Luke 8:40-56

Wednesday Luke 9:1-17
Thursday Luke 9:18-27

Friday Luke 9:28-36
Saturday Luke 9:37-50



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