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Celebration of Holy Communion
Sunday November 15tH, 2026
Pentecost 25
The Venerable Elizabeth Northcott Presiding



We are a church in the Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets, following Christ with renewed hearts, renewed spirits, and as a renewed people.

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"I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit." -John 15:5

Processional Hymn**: #**537 Jesus, Come, for We Invite You

Welcome & Acknowledgment of Land

(*We prepare our hearts for worship in silence*)

The Gathering of the Community (Service begins on p. 185)

Glory to God p. 186

Kyrie Eleison p. 186

Collect: Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word (Led by Kathleen Bell)
First Reading: JUDGES 4:1-7
PSALM 123 **R: Our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he shows us his mercy.**
Second Reading: 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-11

Gradual Hymn: #599 Awake, Awake! Fling off the Night *(vs. 1-3)*

The Gospel: MATTHEW 25:14-30

Gradual Hymn: #599 Awake, Awake! Fling off the Night *(vs. 4-5)*

Homily:

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles Creed p. 189 (*please stand as able)*

Prayers of the People (led by Dr. Doug Shantz)

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace: p. 192

Offertory Hymn: #610 Before I take the Body of the Lord

Prayer over the Gifts: Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharist prayer # 1 p.193

The Lord's Prayer (sung) p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread (prayer # 2) p. 212

The Communion *(all are welcome to receive communion, or to come up to the altar for a blessing)*

Communion Hymn: (*parish remains seated*)
AM #358 Be Still For the Presence of the Lord
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the holy One, is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear
in him no sin is found
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight
our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace -
no work too hard for him.
In faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Prayer after Communion: Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen**

Doxology (please stand): **Glory to God whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we could ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church, and in Christ Jesus. Amen**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: #508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

The Dismissal p. 215

All are welcome to join us for fellowship in the hall after the service.

Announcements

- November Outreach Focus is.
- Book of Remembrance: Make a donation to the memorial fund to get loved ones added to book. Contact office for more info.
- Garden Appreciation Club
- Holly Tea & Bake Sale, Saturday, December 5, 2-4pm, Baking & volunteers needed
- Chair Yoga, Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 11:30am-12:15pm, hall, $5
- Blessing Boutique: Mondays, 9am-1pm, hall,
- DONATIONS NEEDED Blessing Box, non-perishable food items

Notes about the Service:

- Offering plate at the greeters table in the Narthex. (Red Hat offerings for monthly outreach focus)
- Hymns are found in the Common Praise (blue hymn book in the pews); if the lyrics not printed in bulletin.
- Our liturgy (prayers) are mostly taken from the Book of Alternative Service (BAS- green book in pews) To follow along with the service, refer to page numbers OR for simplified version see small blue booklet (The Holy Eucharist) beginning on page 3.
- All are welcome to take communion (we practice an open table)
- Children's area is at the back of the church. We welcome the sound of children in this space. If you have any questions about the service, the greeters would be happy to help.