

The Anglican Parish of
St. Peter and St. Paul
July 21st 2024
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



Nourishing Faith and Community

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

Prelude

Words of Welcome

(please stand as clergy enter)

Opening Hymn CP 465 Here in This Place New Light is Streaming

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*Here in this place new light is streaming;
now is the darkness vanished away.
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in – the lost and forsaken;
gather us in – the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken;
we shall arise at the sound of our name.*



*We are the young – our lives are a mystery;
we are the old – who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in – the rich and the haughty;
gather us in – the proud and the strong;
give us a heart so meek and so lowly;
give us the courage to enter the song.*

*Here we will take the wine and the water;
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine for compassion;*

*give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.*

*Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away,
but here in this place the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in – all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.*

Gathering

In this time and place we gather on the ancestral lands the Lekwungen speaking people, of our Esquimalt, Songhees and Coast Salish First Nation companions.

From many places and peoples we come to this house in prayer.

In this time and place we gather in the name of the living God.
We meet in the presence of Jesus Christ, risen and alive.

In this time and in this space we gather with the community of faith around the globe and across the ages.

In this time and space heaven and earth are one.

In this time and space we are not alone, but one in Christ.
Knit together in the unity of the Spirit.

In this time and place, we are hallowed, expectant, one people in God.

In the name of the Holy and Blessed One, Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gloria (sung)

**Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, glory to God on high,
Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, glory to God on high,
and on earth, peace to God's people, glory to God,
and on earth, peace to God's people, glory to God.**

Kyrie (sung)

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the...

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world,

For the unity of all, let us pray to the....

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

For your people here who have come to give you praise,

For the strength to live your Word, let us pray to the....

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy

Let us pray,

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and

reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen. (please be seated)

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Reading One: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

A reading from the Samuel

Now when the king [David] was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.'

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no

more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89:20-37

I have found my servant David;
with my holy oil I have anointed him;
my hand shall always remain with him;
my arm also shall strengthen him.

The enemy shall not outwit him,
the wicked shall not humble him.

I will crush his foes before him
and strike down those who hate him.

My faithfulness and steadfast love shall be with him;
and in my name his horn shall be exalted.

I will set his hand on the sea
and his right hand on the rivers.

He shall cry to me, “You are my Father,
my God, and the Rock of my salvation!”

**I will make him the firstborn,
the highest of the kings of the earth.**

For-ever I will keep my steadfast love for him,
and my covenant with him will stand firm.

**I will establish his line for ever,
and his throne as long as the heavens endure.**

If his children forsake my law
and do not walk according to my ordinances,

**if they violate my statutes
and do not keep my commandments,**

then I will punish their transgression with the rod
and their iniquity with scourges;

**but I will not remove from him my steadfast love,
or be false to my faithfulness.**

I will not violate my covenant,
or alter the word that went forth from my lips.

**Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness;
I will not lie to David.**

His line shall continue for ever,
and his throne endure before me like the sun.

**It shall be established for ever like the moon,
an enduring witness in the skies.'**

Reading Two: Ephesians 2:11-22

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called 'the uncircumcision' by those who are called 'the circumcision'—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the

commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Gospel Hymn Shout to the Lord.

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*My Jesus, my Saviour,
Lord there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.*

*My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength
let every breath, all that I am*

never cease to worship you.

*Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing,
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.*

*I sing for joy at the work of your hands.
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have
in you.*

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

God be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus according to Mark
Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the market-places, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Sermon *The Rev. Gail Rodger*

Musical Moments for reflection

Announcements

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD (please stand)

We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty.

We believe and trust in Jesus Christ, his Son.

We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit.

We believe and trust in the Three in One.

(from *Creating Uncommon Worship* by Richard Giles)

Prayers of the People (please be seated)

Prayers of Confession and Assurance

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; welcoming of sinners and inviting us to table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Holy and gracious One: forgive our sins.

The ones we can remember, and those we have forgotten.

Forgive the wrong actions we have committed, and the right actions we have avoided.

Forgive the times we have been weak, unkind or judgmental and

**failed to live out your kingdom call to justice and love.
Forgive the lies we have told, the truths we have avoided and
the pain we have caused others.
Creator of all, have mercy on us, and make us whole.**

Early Irish (adapted from A Celtic Primer p. 95)

**May Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a
kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our
eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us
the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

(from New Patterns for Worship Church of England)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you!

Hymn CP 403 Let All Things Now Living

((Text: Katherine K. Davis (1892-1980), melody Welsh Traditional. C 1939 E.C. Schirmer Music Co. CCLI)

*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God the creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
who still guides us on to the end of our days.
Love's banners are o'er us; God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into Light.*

*God's law still enforces the stars in their courses
and causes the sun in its splendour to shine;
the hills and mountains, the rivers and fountains,*

*the deeps of the ocean in praises combine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
“To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!”*

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Prayer over the Gifts

O God, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Help us in all we do to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice; through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

(Our offering plate is not passed through the pews or placed on the altar. Instead it is placed symbolically in front of the font near the back of the church, a calling to all the baptized to be part of the kingdom in the practice of committed giving. To set up your committed giving please speak with Judy Ingram, Treasurer.)

The Great Thanksgiving (please stand)

The Lord is here.

God’s Spirit is with us.

Open your hearts.

We open to the fullness of God.

Feast at the banquet prepared from the foundations of the world.

We come, O Christ, in thanks and praise.

Holy and eternal One in whom we live and move and have our being our origin and our fulfillment we praise and thank you for drawing us to this sacred meal. From the ocean of your primal love you fashioned the marvel of creation and beauty of human life. From this land of towering forests, mist laden coastlines, the

rhythms of the tidal seas, storm and stillness you humble us to affirm the sacred gift of all creation and our stewardship for everything given and received.

Praise be to you, source of all life!

From the earliest days the peoples of these islands learned their dependence on your provision salmon and whale, elk and bear, and through song and ceremony, dance and painted cedar, hallowed these sacred relationships with all life.

Praise be to you, source of all life!

In Jesus Christ, you came into our world to reveal your glory, reconcile all peoples to yourself and make all things new in him. Now, gathered from many places, with a heart set on the pilgrim way we bring this bread and wine yearning for the nourishment of your Spirit and the fullness you promise in Jesus evermore praising you and saying

**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.**

Blessed are you, most holy One: for on the night before he died, Jesus took bread, gave you thanks, broke it, gave it to all gathered and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup, gave you thanks and gave it to them saying: “Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

“Behold, I am with you to the end of the age.”

Therefore, God of all creation, we offer this bread of life, and this cup of salvation. Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts and upon us, that we may know Jesus in the breaking of the bread and follow him in lives of selfless service and courageous love.

Praise be to you, source of all life.

In the fullness of time reconcile all things in Christ, and bring us to that heavenly table, where every tear will be wiped away and we will feast anew.

Blessing, praise and thanksgiving be to you, Holy and Eternal One, Undivided Trinity, One God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (sung) – Please see insert for music

(musical setting: Jamie Brown; Worthily Magnify Music, 2022. Used with permission)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive our sins; As we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and thine is the power and the glory forever, the glory forever, the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The One who defeated death and injustice
is now present in this bread.

The One who offers our life promise and hope
is now present in this wine.

**Breaking into our lives and community
we ask God for new life in Christ.**

Invitation to table

Come to the banquet for all is now ready and all are welcome.
The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Communion is offered while musical selections

(Communion is offered at three locations: station one is at the back of the church near the candles for those who prefer to stand and/or are physically challenged by steps without railings; station two, brought to the pew; station three: at the altar rail)

Prayer after Communion (please stand)

Let us pray,

O God, as we are strengthened in these holy mysteries, may our lives
be a continual offering, holy and acceptable in your sight; through
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

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of the Almighty, God the unnameable Alpha and Omega, Jesus Christ, the love incarnate in the world, and the ever-present Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Sending: Love Love Love Love (sung a capella)

(Tune: Rose, Rose Rose, public domain)

Love Love Love Love

The gospel in a word is love

Love your neighbor as your brother (or sister)

For God is love

Peace Peace Peace Peace

The gospel in a word is peace

Peace that passes understanding

Go live in peace

Joy Joy Joy Joy

The gospel in a word is joy

Joy that fills to overflowing

Go share the joy

Dismissal:

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.
Amen! We go in the name of Christ! Alleluia!

Welcome to all those visiting us at St. Peter and St. Paul.

We welcome saints, seekers and sinners as we live into a life in Christ, learning about and from one another as we worship God together. Christ binds us together in love through our diversity. If you are comfortable, please give us your name and address so we can add you to our weekly prayer list. We are looking forward to getting to know you better.

Washrooms are found in the hall, up the stairs, on the right.

Territorial Acknowledgement

We worship on the traditional lands of the Lək'wəṅən speaking peoples, including the Esquimalt, Songhees and other Nations of the Salish and Coast Salish Peoples. We, who came from many lands to join the line of those worshipping here, commit our Church to continue the journey of truth and reconciliation with our First Nations' neighbours.

Weekly Cycles of Prayer

We pray for The Anglican Church of Australia; for Linda Nicholls, our Primate; Chris Harper, the National Indigenous Archbishop; Territory of the People Anglican Church, Bishop Clara Plamondon; and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada.

In our diocese, we pray for our bishop, The Right Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee; Anna, and the people of Saint Saviour, Denman Island.

In our region, we pray for Two Saints, The Rev Dr. Adela Torchia.

In our parish we pray for: Adora and Bob Waters; Lynda Miller; Sharon Wickware; Max Wideman; Cindy Young-Bourgeois.

In our community we pray for the Rainbow Kitchen, and those who are hungry in our society.

For the month of June we pray for our Coffee Ministry



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