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*whoever you are,  
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**10 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**26 JULY 2020**



We acknowledge the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples, including the X̱məθḵ'əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), and Selíwítluh (Tsilil-Waututh) Nations where we live, work, and worship.

*Welcome to our Sunday worship, whether you are gathering in person at St Paul's or online.  
We invite you to use the time before the Service begins for reflection.*

**PRELUDE:** *A selection of music performed by Dr Greg Caisley.*

## **GATHERING THE COMMUNITY**

*A Minister welcomes everyone informally.*

## **THE GREETING**

*Minister* Dear friends, we gather this morning on the traditional and unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

**All** **May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.**

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

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

*Minister* Drawn from many backgrounds and experiences,

**All** **God gathers us as one body.**

*Minister* Bringing our whole selves before our Maker,

**All** **God transforms us more and more into who we were created to be.**

*Minister* We stand together as people loved by God,

**All** **and who are called to love others in ordinary and extraordinary ways.**

*Minister* Let us celebrate God's majesty,  
and delight in the wonder of God's love.  
Together we shall confess our sins  
and receive assurance that we are forgiven.  
As the scriptures are read  
we can allow God's word to speak to us,  
and ponder its meaning for our lives.

In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness,  
we pray for others as well as for ourselves,  
and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do,  
because we believe in the presence among us  
of our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

*Minister* Love one another,  
for love is of God,  
and whoever loves is born of God and knows God.

**All Spirit of God, search our hearts.**

*The minister then says*

Let us pause and, in silence,  
remember our need for God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept*

**All** Let us confess our sins to God, as we say  
**Most merciful 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.**

*Minister* Merciful God,  
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,  
that we may be cleansed from all our sins  
and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Minister* O God,  
the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy,  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy,  
that with you as our ruler and guide,  
we may so pass through things temporal,  
that we lose not the things eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
one God, for ever and ever.

**All** Amen

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS** George Schwab

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me."

So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country - giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

GENESIS 29:15-28

*Reader* This is the Word of the Lord.

**All** Thanks be to God.

*Musical Interlude*

## **THE GOSPEL**

George Schwab

*Reader* +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad.

So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

MATTHEW 13:31-33, 44-52

*Reader* The Gospel of Christ.

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

*Musical Interlude*

## **HOMILY**

*A Time for Reflection will follow (including time with music).*

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Minister* Let us confess our faith as we say,

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He 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.**

## **INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS**

Diane Davies

*After the intercessions, a time for personal prayer follows, with a musical interlude*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Minister*    Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**All**            **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 forever. Amen.**

## **THE DISMISSAL**

*Announcements are given.*

*Minister* The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you all always.

**All** **Amen.**

*Minister* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

*If you would like to join us for a virtual coffee hour on Zoom, please go to  
<https://zoom.us/j/240454925>  
Meeting ID 240 454 925*

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2 Corinthians 9:7

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