

St Clement's Anglican Church

The Celebration of Holy Cross Day

(transferred)

September 13th 2020 Holy Eucharist

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today whether in person or online!

The Gathering of the Community

Presider

We acknowledge with respect that we worship on the unceded territories of the Tsleil-Waututh – *People of the Inlet,* the Musqueam – *People of the River Grass,* and the Squamish – *Mother of the Wind.*Let us pray that we may live more deeply into the calls to action from Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

People

May the living Christ lead us all on pathways of reconciliation and peace.

Following the ringing of the bell, a moment of silence is kept

Hymn

Crown Him with many Crowns

note: only Lynley will sing

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne: hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own! Awake, my soul and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save. His glories now we sing who died and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Text: Matthew Bridges (1800 - 1894) and Godfrey Thring (1823 - 1903), alt. / Music: George Job Elvey (1816 - 1893)

The Presider greets the community

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all.

People And also with you.

Presider Almighty God,

All 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.

The Gloria

Presider Glory to God in the highest,

All and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray Presider All Almighty God,

> whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself; may we who rejoice in the mystery of our redemption, have grace to take up our cross and follow him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Numbers (21:4b-9) lan Gunn

At the end of the reading, the reader says

Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98:1-6

- Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvellous things, whose mighty hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- 2 O Lord, you have made known the victory; you have openly shown your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- 3 You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen your victory, O God.
- 4 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands: lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.
- 5 Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.
- 6 With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before our sovereign, the Lord.
- Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit: All as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Gradual Hymn When I survey the wondrous cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Text: Isaac Watts (1674 – 1748); Music: Psalmody in Miniature, Second Supplement, 1780?; harm. Edward Miller (1731 – 1807.

All stand for the Gospel

Deacon The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (3: 13 – 17)

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end of the Gospel, the Deacon says

Deacon The Gospel of Christ

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

The Rev. André Stephany

note: only Lynley will sing

The Apostles' Creed

Presider Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All I believe in God,

the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

Prayers of the Community

We pray, loving God, for peace in the world; grant that all creeds, colours and countries may learn to live together in justice and faith.

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray for those leading us through the wilderness of this pandemic. For our public health officials, health care workers, and the scientists crafting us our serpents of bronze in vaccine form.

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray for everyone affected by our second health emergency. We remember those around us losing loved ones to addiction in greater numbers than to any pandemic and those working to reduce the misery.

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray you give strength and wisdom to our political leaders and all in authority all around the world. We pray especially for the selfish, the corrupt, and the cruel amongst them, for they have greatest need of your light.

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray for our church and our leadership, especially Melissa our bishop, André our priest, and all who preach and teach and lead us. Be with André, especially, as he steps into our lives and we into his.

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray for all those, around the world and around the corner, who feel lonely, friendless, or forgotten. Support them and let them know your unconditional love. God of love, hear our prayer

We pray you bring comfort and care to all suffering with illness and injury. And we pray for all those lying heavy on our hearts this morning. Be with them and grant them strength, health and peace, as we pray for them now silently or out loud.

Silence - a space to name those people for whom you wish to pray

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray for our young people, especially those who spent the week starting new grades, new schools, and new chapters in their lives. And we pray for their parents as they learn to stand a little further back but love no less fiercely. God of love, hear our prayer

Loving God, we give you thanks this morning for this safe and loving community, for our friends and our families who know us best and love what they find. Help us to be thankful that we are amongst the luckiest of your children, and to hear your call to share our good fortune.

God of love, hear our prayer

We pray, loving God, that you hear and fulfil our desires and petitions as you see best for us; as we lift up Jesus Christ, your only Son, who you sent to save the world and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen. (Prayers prepared by Ian Gunn)

Confession and Absolution

Presider Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Presider 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.

Presider Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Peace All stand, and the Presider addresses the people

Presider The Peace of God be always with you.

All And also with you.

Please stay in your place, turn to your neighbours and offer a verbal greeting.

Prayer over the Gifts

Merciful God, through the death of your beloved Son

you transformed an instrument of shame into a sign of glory.

Receive all we offer you this day, and renew in us the mystery of his love; through the same Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory.

Amen.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to share in the breaking of bread.

Presider The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our salvation became obedient unto death.

The tree of defeat became the tree of victory:

where life was lost, life has been restored.

Therefore with angels and archangels and all the heavenly chorus, we cry out to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory,

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Presider We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Presider and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make

them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please say The Lord's Prayer in the language closest to your heart.

Different language versions can be found at the back of the blue Hymn book.

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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 for ever.
Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

People Thanks be to God.

We ask that all those who wish to receive communion be masked. This is to protect the safety of both the communicant and the presider.

Following the directions of the usher, please come forward one household at a time, being careful to maintain physical distancing from others as you come to the green line in front of the bottom step in front of the altar. After receiving a host, which will be placed into your hand, please return to your seats before consuming the host. Once back in your seats, you should lift/remove your mask, consume the host and ensure the mask is back in place over your mouth and nose.

Prayer after Communion

Presider Almighty God,

All we give thanks that you have made us partakers of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who took our nature upon him and suffered death upon the cross for our redemption; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Doxology

Presider 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.

The Dismissal

Blessing

Community Announcements

Hymn Sing a new song unto the Lord note: only Lynley will sing

Refrain Sing a new song unto the Lord:

let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing Alleluia.

God's own people dance for joy. O come before the Lord

and play for God on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound. Ref

Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Saviour now has come.

God has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song. Ref

Text & Music: Daniel L. Schutte (1947 –) ©1972, 1974, 1979 Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music Administered by Oregon Catholic Press. Arr. Theophane Hytrek, OSF (1915 – 1992).

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Please remain seated until instructed to leave

Before Saturday this week, please remember to reserve your seat for next Sunday by visiting our website stclementschurch.ca and click on

Save a seat for Sunday!

As seats at St Clement's are currently "The hottest seats in town", please let Yvonne in the office know asap (office@stclementschurch.ca) if you have booked a seat and now need to cancel because of circumstances. Then space is opened up on the website for others to book a seat.

Pastoral Care:

Pastoral concerns may be referred to our priest, the Rev. André Stephany at andre@stclementschurch.ca

Please let the clergy know if you or a family member is in hospital.

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Prayers – The following are for your prayers this week

In our own Diocese: Pray for Melissa, our Archbishop and Metropolitan; for Stephen, Archdeacon; and Patrick, Regional Dean; for the North Vancouver Regional Ministry Team and churches. For Linda, our Primate; for Mark, the National Indigenous Archbishop; for the parish of St Matthew, Abbotsford; St Hildegard's Sanctuary; and The Deanery of Yale.

For the wider Church: For the Anglican Church of South America. For Bishop Brent Alawas, the clergy and people in the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines, specifically for our partner Parish of St Clement of Alexandria, Payeo – its ministry and mission; and for all Churches of North Vancouver.

In our Parish community: for André, our Priest; for Elizabeth and Peggy, our Deacons; for the Wardens, Philip and Phoebe. For the staff: Lynley and Yvonne; and Lay Leaders: Leah, Joanne, and Ian Gunn. For the Youth and Children's ministries in our parish – teachers, children, and teens.

In our parish cycle of prayers: for Delayne Sartison, Mike and Anna Crone; Aksinia Shier; and David Smith; and their families.

For healing: Pray for Jill Allerton; Beth Bailey; Betty Downing; Marion Edwards; Fiona; Colleen and Matt Foster; Jack Griffiths; Marjorie, Michael, and Susan Jeffries; Lynda Mills; Carol Norwood; Joyce Oswald; Judy; Suzi Smith; Vanessa; Kevin Zakus; for their families & caregivers.

In Thanksgiving: Please pray for the family of Henry Branders, killed last Tuesday while riding his bike in Cape Town; a dear friend of Wilna's.

For Outreach: for all newcomers to Canada: for Saber and his family, Honada, Said & family; Bukhari, Neema Grace, Malis (*pronounced Ma-lees*) & his family, for Fatemeh, Nasrullah and Nazrin & family. For the community groups which use our building.

Scripture Readings for next Sunday

Exodus 16: 2 – 15 / Psalm 105: 1 – 6, 37 – 45 / Matthew 20: 1 – 16