

# The Church of St. John the Divine

*Trinity Sunday*

*June 7, 2020*

As people of God, we celebrate Christ in the heart of Victoria through joyful worship, building inclusive community, and putting faith into action.

St. John's acknowledges these ancestral lands of the Lekwungen speaking people.

We are an inclusive and affirming parish; the sacraments of the church (baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we.

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***Welcome to the Parish Church of St. John the Divine***, Victoria. We are a community of faith in the Anglican Tradition, seeking to live lives of faith, hope and love as part of this community of Downtown Victoria. We are on a journey of learning to be a welcoming, inviting, inclusive and serving community which is open to all.

Our worship reflects our rootedness in the Anglican tradition, whilst drawing on liturgies that reflect the long history and heritage of our Christian faith. Please join in as you feel able, and enjoy the words, music and opportunity for prayer and to be a part of our community.

***Social Distancing:*** In these times when we must practice social distancing our Sunday Services will be done remotely. You may find a link on our parish website

<https://www.stjohnthedivine.bc.ca/>

Other worship services will also be posted. If our service seems unfamiliar, please follow the cues from our leaflet which is also posted on the web page.

**Contacting Us:** We are all learning ways to build community "at a distance." We are checking phone messages and answering emails. The main email for contact is: [admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca](mailto:admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca). If you wish to receive prayer for yourself or for another, there will be members of our Healing Prayer group who will offer their prayers. Please contact: the church office at the above email address.

You are very welcome here. We don't always get it right; please let us know when we do, and when we don't. Please stay and be a part of our family, for however long you would like.

# 10:00 am Parish Eucharist

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*The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in bold print.*

**Officiant:** The Venerable Alastair McCollum

**Readers:** Harriet Kendrick, Elizabeth McAuley

**Gospel:** The Reverend Patrick Sibley

**Sermon:** The Reverend Grant Crosswell

**Intercessor:** Susan Bangrove

**Zoom Technician:** Karen Coverett

**Music:** David Stratkauskas (musician),

Soile Stratkauskas, Kyla Fradette,

Quartet of Choral Scholars

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## The Gathering of the Community

Opening Hymn (CP 1)

Nicaea

- 1. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!**  
**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:**  
**holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**
- 2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,**  
**casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;**  
**cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,**  
**which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**
- 3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,**  
**though our sinful human gaze thy glory may not see,**  
**only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,**  
**perfect in power, in love, and purity.**
- 4. Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!**  
**All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;**  
**holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,**  
**God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Text: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt.

## Gathering

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

May Christ's grace and peace be with you.

**All: May God fill our hearts with joy.**

Come, Holy Spirit, creator, bring your light and renew the face of the earth.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor, and touch our lips that we may proclaim your word.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Come, Holy Spirit, love from within and without: make us agents of peace and ministers of wholeness.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God, make us a living people, holy and free.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: enlighten and strengthen us in the risk of faith.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

## Lighting of the Family Candle

### The Church Family Prayer

Loving God,

**All: you've called us to be your family and to celebrate our life together in worship. We pray for all the members of our family, and especially for our young people now, tucked in their homes, surrounded by your love! We pray for the adults who care for them. Bless them, and each of us, in fun and learning, in friendship, and love. Amen.**

### The Collect of the Day

*Silence is kept.*

Father, we praise you:

through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things.

You reveal your salvation in all the world

by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

Through your Holy Spirit

you give us a share in your life and love.

Fill us with the vision of your glory,

that we may always serve and praise you,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

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# The Proclamation of the Word

## The First Reading

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, ‘Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.’ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, ‘Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.’ And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, ‘Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.’ And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, ‘Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.’ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.’ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.’ And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

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

Psalm

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O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above  
the heavens.

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and  
the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars  
you have set in their courses.

What is man that you should be mindful of him? The son of man that you should  
seek him out?

You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory  
and honour;

You give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under  
his feet;

All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of  
the sea.

O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

## The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

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

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## The Gospel

Mark 28:16-20

God is with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Here the Good news of Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**All: Glory to you, O Christ.**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

*Following the sermon there will be a pause for silence.*

## Music after the Sermon Caritas abundat

*Hildegard of Bingen*

*Translation:*

*Love abounds in all, from the depths exalted and excelling over every star,  
and most beloved of all, for to the highest King she gave the kiss of peace.*

## Prayers of the People

*Please note that those who have asked for our prayers are listed at the end of the leaflet.*

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## The Celebration of our Eucharistic Faith

Though we are unable to share in Bread and Wine,  
we remember that we are people of God, joined together by the love of Christ.  
That we are incorporated into the body of Christ.

We remember our sharing in bread and wine  
is a symbol of our sharing in Christ's body and blood.  
And we join together in this celebration of our union in Christ.

### The General Thanksgiving

God is here.

**All: God's Spirit is with us.**

Let us give thanks to God the Creator.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Hear the words of Scripture, the story of how our Sacrament began.

1 Corinthians 11: 23-27

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given us. For all the pains and insults you have borne for us. Since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, day by day.

**All: Amen.**

Almighty God, giver of grace, we your servants give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

As Christ taught his friends, and longing for the new life of God's reign,  
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 forever. Amen.**

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## The Commissioning of the Community

### The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### The Blessing

### Dismissal

### Final Hymn (CP 256)

Quem Pastores

- 1. Yours the hand that made creation,  
womb of every constellation,  
every species, every nation:  
glory to the Three-in-One.**
- 2. Jesus, from the first descending,  
by your birth the broken mending,  
Word of God the never-ending:  
glory to the Three-in-One.**
- 3. Holy Wisdom, ever near us,  
tongue of fire to teach all hearers,  
sanctify and guard and cheer us:  
glory to the Three-in-One.**

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*Our coffee hour will take place 15 minutes after the service has finished, continuing here in our Zoom meeting.*

There will be **Evensong this weekend - Sunday, June 7.**

During this time of physical distancing, we invite you to join us for a recorded Evensong. While the way we gather together is different, we trust that this service will continue to provide an opportunity for quiet prayer, reflection and meditation as the musicians lead us in prayer. The recording and the order of service will be available in the Choral Evensong [News](#) item which will be published at 3:00 pm on Sunday afternoon.

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# 7:30 pm Choral Evensong

*The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in **bold** print.*

**Officiant:** The Reverend Patrick Sibley

**Music:** David Stratkauskas (organ); Sung by a quartet of Choral Scholars

**Lectionary:** Church of England, 2<sup>nd</sup> Service

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## Responses

*Cantor:* O Lord, open thou our lips

*Choir:* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise

*Cantor:* O God, make speed to save us.

*Choir:* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Cantor:* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

*Choir:* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

*Cantor:* Praise ye the Lord;

*Choir:* The Lord's name be praised.

## Psalm

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O praise God in his holiness \* praise him in the firmament of his power.

Praise him in his noble acts \* praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him in the sound of the trumpet \* praise him upon the lute and harp.

Praise him in the cymbals and dances \* praise him upon the strings and pipe.

Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals \* praise him upon the loud cymbals.

Let every thing that hath breath \* praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## First Lesson

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts. Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

## Magnificat

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me; and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and the meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel; As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Luke 1:46-55)

## Second Lesson

John 16:5-15

But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

## Nunc Dimittis

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou has prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. (Luke 2.29-32)

## Apostles' Creed

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

*Cantor:* The Lord be with you;

*Choir:* And with thy spirit.

*Cantor:* Let us pray.

## Prayers

*Choir:* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.**

*Cantor:* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

*Choir:* And grant us thy salvation.

*Cantor:* O Lord, save the Queen;

*Choir:* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

*Cantor:* Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

*Choir:* And make thy chosen people joyful.

*Cantor:* O Lord, save thy people;

*Choir:* And bless thine inheritance.

*Cantor:* Give peace in our time, O Lord;

*Choir:* Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.  
(OR And evermore mightily defend us.)

*Cantor:* O God, make clean our hearts within us;

*Choir:* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## The Collect of the Day

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

## The Second Collect For Peace.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

## The Third Collect For Aid Against All Perils.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

## The Anthem

Translation:

O holy and blessed Trinity, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Alleluia.

O holy and glorious Trinity, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Alleluia.

Music: G. L. di Palestrina

## Sermon

## Prayers

## Hymn (CP 256)

Quem Pastores

- 1. Yours the hand that made creation,  
womb of every constellation,  
every species, every nation:  
glory to the Three-in-One.**
- 2. Jesus, from the first descending,  
by your birth the broken mending,  
Word of God the never-ending:  
glory to the Three-in-One.**
- 3. Holy Wisdom, ever near us,  
tongue of fire to teach all hearers,  
sanctify and guard and cheer us:  
glory to the Three-in-One.**

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## Readings for The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, June 14

**Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7** Three figures appear to Abraham at the oaks of Mamre and they eat together. Against all likelihood, Sarah is given the promise of bearing a child.

**Psalms 116:1, 10-17** The Psalmist knows what it means to go through a terrible experience and to emerge from it full of gratitude.

**Romans 5:1-8** Paul points out to his readers that Christ gave himself as a gift for them.

**Matthew 9:35—10:23** Having given his disciples the gift of his vision of the kingdom of God, Jesus sends them out to spread that kingdom by exercising their own gifts.

The following people have asked for our prayers.  
Please keep them in mind as you go through your week.

Joyce

Penny

Nolan

Coumba, Mady, Idriss

David

Hagos, Tsigay & family

Andrew

Mavis

Kathy

Alan

Kristjan and family

Sohaila & Fawad

Silvanna & family

James

Justin

Robyn

Arnon

Karen

Anne

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# The Anglican Church of St. John the Divine

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