



November 22nd, 2020  
Reign of Christ Sunday

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## St. Catherine's Church Mission

A contemporary community of Christian seekers that welcomes others to join our journey.

We provide a place of spiritual growth through Christ and we respond with gratitude for God's abundance in our lives through service to our brothers and sisters in the world.

Our **Vision** at St. Catherine's is to:

- Be an inclusive and thriving community of faith for all generations
- Continually invite others to join us in our journey of faith and Christian discipleship
- Honour the strengthening of relationships and development of community, both within our walls and outside them
- Minister to those in need in Christ's name



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*\*Bulletin Cover and Left Side of church: Seven Works of Mercy, Diakonie Neuendettelsau is one of today's major independent Christian institutions for social welfare work in Germany. Founded in 1854. approximately 2008, DiaLog-Hotel*

*\*Right Side of church: Christ in Judgment, 1300, Other, Florence*

**SAINT CATHERINE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**  
Anglican Church of Canada - Diocese of New Westminster

Situated on the unceded traditional Coast Salish territory  
of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations

*We welcome Rev. Anne Crosthwait as our  
preacher and presider.*

Prelude

**Welcome & setting intentions: Rev. Anne Crosthwait**

**Gathering of the Community**

Presider: We gather today on the ancestral lands of the  
Coast Salish peoples, represented by the  
Squamish, and Tsleil-Watuth Nations who have  
been custodians of these lands since time  
immemorial. Let us pray.

Presider: We come, for God gathers us here, with that  
community called faith:

**All: Where the hungry are served first, where  
the thirsty drink life's water.**

Presider: We come, for God welcomes us here into that  
home called grace:

**All: Where the naked are clothed in robes of  
hope, where the stranger is embraced as  
the long-lost prodigal.**

Presider: We come, for God reunites us here, sisters and  
brothers in that family called love:

**All: Where the imprisoned model justice,  
where the sick are cradled in God's  
peace.**

Presider: We come humbly before our God seeking the  
Holy Spirit to give us eyes to see Christ

**All: Where he dwells within all people. Amen**

**Opening Hymn: Crown Him with many crowns**

*We invite you to sing heartily from your homes and meditate  
on the music if participating in the service from  
St. Catherine's.*

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 to be  
your Saviour and your 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 reigns on high,  
who died eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace,  
his kingdom is at hand  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
absorbed in prayer and praise.  
His reign shall know no end;  
and round his pierced feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend  
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love;  
behold his hands and side,  
rich wounds yet visible above  
in beauty glorified.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For you have died for me;  
your praise shall never, never fail  
throughout eternity.

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **The Proclamation of the Word**

#### **First Reading: A poem by Boris Novak**

Decisions  
Between the two words  
choose the quieter one.  
Between word and silence  
choose listening.  
Between two books  
choose the dustier one.  
Between earth and sky  
choose a bird.  
Between two animals  
choose the one who needs you more.  
Between two children  
choose both.  
Between the lesser and bigger evil,  
choose neither.  
Between hope and despair  
chose hope:  
it will be harder to bear.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 100** *(paraphrased by Nan Merrill)*

Presider: Sing a joyful noise to the Beloved  
all peoples of the earth!

**All: Serve Love with a glad Heart!  
Join hands in the great  
Dance of Life!**

Presider: Know that the Beloved of your heart  
is the Divine Presence!

**All: Love created us, and we belong to  
the Most High; We are born to be loving,  
expressions of the Creator's  
Divine Plan.**

Presider: Open the gates of your heart  
with gratitude and enter Love's court  
with praise! Give thanks to the Beloved,  
bless Love's holy Name!

**All: For Love is of God, and lives  
in our heart forever,  
With faith truth, and joy, now  
and in all that is to come.  
Alleluia! Amen!**

### **Gospel Hymn: He Became Poor** (John Bell)

He became poor that we may be rich,  
loving the world and leaving his throne.  
King of all kings and Lord of all lords,  
Flesh of our flesh and bone of our bones.

### **Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46**

*Jesus compares himself to a king who moves among his subjects to see how he is treated: what is done for the humankind is truly done for Christ.*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.'

Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Presider: The Gospel of Christ

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

### **Homily: Rev. Anne Crosthwait**

*Reflective silence follows.*

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

Presider: Moses said,

**All: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God,  
the Lord is one.**

Presider: And Jesus affirmed:

**All: Love the Lord your God with  
all your heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.  
This is the first and the great  
commandment, the second is like it:  
Love your neighbor as yourself.  
There is no commandment greater  
than these.**

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

## Prayers of the People

Presider: In the community of Christ's Church and in the presence of all God's people:

**All: We confess to God that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved God, cared for God's world, or respected God's people as we should. We own our responsibility and pray for God's pardon.**

Presider: May God forgive us,  
Christ befriend us, and  
the Spirit renew and change our lives.

## The Lord's Prayer

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray in the language of our hearts:

**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.**

## Blessing:

Presider: Go now, and embrace the hope to which God has called us.

**All: Recognize Christ in friend and stranger, and as Christ has been gracious to you, so be gracious to those in need.**

Presider: May the peace of God that passes all understanding keep your minds and your hearts in knowledge and love of Christ Jesus. Receive God's blessing in the name of our Creator, Friend and Sustainer. Amen.

## Closing Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun  
does its successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue  
dwell on his love with sweetest song;  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where e'er he reigns:  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring  
glory and honour to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud Amen.

## Dismissal:

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

## Postlude

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Join us for Zoom coffee time  
at NOON



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## Cycles of Prayer

In our prayers this morning we pray for the Worldwide Anglican Communion, in particular we pray the Church of Bermuda (Extra-Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury) The Rt Revd Nicholas Dill – Bishop of Bermuda.

We pray for our Companion Diocese, the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines, The Right Reverend Brent Alawas, Bishop, and for our companion cluster parish of St. Catherine of Siena in Cervantes and St. Stephen in Bunga, Tadian and the rector Fr. Jerry Sagayo.

In our Prayer Link with the Episcopal parish of Christ Church Nazareth in the Galilee, we remember the Reverend Nael Abu Rahmoun, and all Christians, Jews, and Muslims in the Holy Land.

We pray for the Anglican Church of Canada, Linda our Primate and the Principal, faculty, students, and staff of the Vancouver School of Theology.

We pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, especially for the Secretary General and staff of the Anglican Communion Office The General Secretary and staff of the Lutheran World Federation, The members of the Joint Anglican-Lutheran Commission.

In our Diocese we pray for Archbishop Melissa, our bishop and metropolitan; our coadjutor bishop elect: Rev John Stephens. We also pray for St. Catherine of Alexandria, Port Coquitlam – The Reverend Patricia Ratcliffe St. Andrew, Langley - The Reverend Andrew Halladay, The Reverend Helen Lingham Christ Church, Hope – The Reverend Timothy Morgan, Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver with St. Brigid's Community: The Reverend Christopher Pappas The Reverend Marnie Peterson, The Reverend Dixie Black, The Reverend Jeffrey Preiss, The Reverend Alisdair Smith.



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