

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

The 7th Sunday of Easter

June 2, 2019

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 territories of the Lekwungen people.



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.

If our service seems unfamiliar, please follow the cues from our leaflet, the ministers leading the service and those around you. Most of our Sunday morning worship services have the Eucharist, or Holy Communion, at the heart of our worship – please feel free to join us, whatever your tradition, in the sharing of bread and wine, at the station nearest to where you are seated. Gluten free wafers are available at all stations: please indicate if you need one.

Within the Anglican Church of Canada (under the advice of the Primate and the Chief Medical Officer for Canada) we would ask that bread is not dipped into the wine, as this has the potential to spread infection in a way that the sharing of the cup does not. If you would prefer not to share the cup then receiving only bread is considered ‘full communion’ (also known as ‘Communion in One Kind’).

If there is anything that you wish to talk about, please do take the opportunity to talk to the worship leaders, ministers and other members of the congregation following the service. If you wish to receive prayer for yourself or for another, there will be members of our Healing Prayer group in the south Quadra entrance who would be happy to pray with you as the Holy Communion is shared.

After our service we usually share coffee and an opportunity to get to know one another, in the Church Hall – through the door on the front left hand side. We have many visitors and newcomers here so please make yourself known to folks as you feel comfortable.

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.

8:00 am Holy Communion

The order of service is found at page 67 in the Book of Common Prayer

Presider: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

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

Presider: The Reverend Canon Kevin Arndt

Verger: Chuck Neilson

Deacon: The Reverend Patrick Sibley

Audio: Ann McLaren

Sermon: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

Music: The Community Choir

Readers: Chris Eve, Doug Henderson

Intercessor: Lorraine Gates

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The children are invited to gather at the back of the church and join in the procession.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 378)

DIADEMATA

GATHERING

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May God's grace and peace be with you.

All: May our hearts be filled with joy.

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.

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, here and absent, and especially for our young people now as they continue their worship. Bless them, and each of us, in fun and learning, in friendship, and love. Amen.

GLORIA (paraphrased CP 365)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray.

Silence is kept.

Living God,
mystery of love given and received:
deepen our yearning for unity,
so that the whole creation might share in your communion;
through Jesus Christ, who makes known your love.

All: Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 16:16-34

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

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The refrain is sung at the start by the cantor, then by all. After each set of verses it is sung by all:

*Refrain: **The Lord is King! Let the earth rejoice.***

The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.
Clouds and darkness are round about him, righteousness and justice are the
foundation of his throne. **Refrain.**

Fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings lit up the world; the earth saw it and trembled.

The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord
of the whole earth. **Refrain.**

The heavens declared his righteousness, and all the peoples have seen his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in mere idols. Bow down
before him, all you gods. **Refrain.**

Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced, because of your
judgements, O Lord.

For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

Refrain.

The Lord loves those who hate evil; he preserves the lives of his faithful and delivers
them from the hand of the wicked. **Refrain.**

Light has sprung up for the righteous, and joy for the true of heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name. **Refrain.**

THE EPISTLE

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE PEACE

Please stand. The Presider may introduce the peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

All may offer their neighbour a sign of peace.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN (CP 374)

HYFRYDOL

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O God,
ruler of heaven and earth.
Day by day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

All: Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 2

Priest: The Lord be with you. *All:* And al-so with you. *Priest:* Lift up your hearts. *All:* We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *All:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, Source of all being,
we give you thanks and praise
for your faithful love.
You call us into friendship
with you and one another
to be your holy people,
a sign of your presence in the world.
When those we trust betray us,
unfailingly you remain with us.
When we injure others,
you confront us in your love
and call us to the paths of righteousness.
You stand with the weak,
and those, broken and alone,

whom you have always welcomed home,
making the first last, and the last first.
Therefore we raise our voices
with angels and archangels,
forever praising you and singing:

SANCTUS

Blessed are you, O Holy One:
when Hagar was driven into the wilderness
you followed her and gave her hope.
When Joseph was sold into bondage,
you turned malice to your people's good.
When you called Israel out of slavery,
you brought them through the wilderness
into the promised land.
When your people were taken into exile
you wept with them by the river of Babylon
and carried them home.

All: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

At the right time you sent your Anointed One
to stand with the poor,
the outcast, and the oppressed.
Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.
He accepted water from a woman of Samaria
and offered her the water of new life.
Christ knew the desolation of the cross
and opened the way for all humanity
into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,
gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One,
recalling Christ's death and resurrection,
we offer you these gifts,
longing for the bread of tomorrow
and the wine of the age to come.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.

**All: Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Pour out your Spirit on these gifts
that through them you may sustain us
in our hunger for your peace.

We hold before you
all whose lives are marked by suffering,
our sisters and brothers.

When we are broken and cast aside,
embrace us in your love.

All: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours,
O Source of all life,
now and for ever.



All: A - men, A - men, A - - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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All are invited to receive communion. We share bread and wine at the front of the Church and recommend you wait until the row in front of you has received rather than joining a line-up. If you prefer for any reason not to take either the bread or wine then sharing 'in one kind' is still sharing full communion. It is the practice of the ACC not to dip the bread into the wine. Any not receiving communion are invited to come forward and have a prayer said for you by those distributing the bread, and to indicate that by holding their arms crossed on their chest.

We don't wish there to be any barriers to receiving – Gluten Free Wafers are available at both stations on request and if you are unable to come forward for communion please make this known to the Greeters and we will bring communion to you. All are welcome at Christ's table!

There will be a silent pause for reflection and personal prayer following the sharing of Holy Communion.

MINISTRY OF HEALING

We invite those wishing prayer for themselves or on behalf of someone else to come to the front of the line to receive the bread and wine. Immediately after receiving, go to the prayer station in the south Quadra entrance. Briefly state your need. The prayer team will lay hands on your shoulders and will pray quietly for you.

ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION

Sung by the choir

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God,
in the mystery of Christ's resurrection
you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life,
and the bread of life to nourish your people.
Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection,
so that we may show your glory to all the world,
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

All: Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

THE DOXOLOGY

Glory to God,
**All: 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.**

DISMISSAL

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia! Alleluia!
All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

RECESSIONAL HYMN

QUITTING POWER

VOLUNTARY

*You are invited to be seated for the Voluntary or to leave at this point.
Coffee and tea will be served in the Parish Hall.*



PARISH PICNIC by donation

When: Next Sunday, June 9 (PENTECOST)

Time: following the 10:00 am church service... 11:30 am

Where: In the garden.....between the Church and the Court

Fun....Food....Community!
Activities for children.

Potluck salads, chips, veggies and desserts.

Barbecued hamburgers, hot dogs (meat and veggie) and all the fixings are provided.

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: The Choristers of St. John the Divine; The MacRae Choral Scholars; Ethan Hill, director.

Setting of the Canticles: Healey Willan

Lectionary: Church of England, 2nd Service

An **INTROIT** may be sung by the choir

RESPONSES *(Please stand)*

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.

OFFICE HYMN (CP 245)

GONFALON ROYAL

PSALM *(Please sit; stand for the final Gloria Patri)*

Psalm 68 (1-13, 18-19)

FIRST LESSON *(Please sit)*

Isaiah 44:1-8

MAGNIFICAT *(Please stand – sung by the choir)*

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 *(Please sit)*

Ephesians 4:7-16

NUNC DIMITTIS *(Please stand – sung by the choir)*

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 *(Please stand – recited by all)*

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 *(Please kneel or sit)*

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

O God, the King of Glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy Kingdom in Heaven: We beseech thee leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth, with thee, and the holy Ghost, 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 *(Please sit – sung by the choir)*

PRAYERS *(Please kneel or sit)*

BLESSING *(Please stand)*

HYMN (SPr 270)

SAN ROCCO

VOLUNTARY

Toccata – Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today

11:45 am Sunday Reflection Denson Lounge

Monday 3

4:00 pm Living Presence Meditation Denson Lounge

Tuesday 4

10:00 am Food Bank Church Basement

Wednesday 5

7:45 am Holy Communion followed by Breakfast Chapel/Denson Lounge

9:30 am Sermon Circle Denson Lounge

12 Noon Healing Ministry Luncheon Denson Lounge

Thursday 6

12:10 pm Meditative Eucharist Church

2:00 pm Investment Committee Meeting Vestry

Friday 7

10:00 am Food Bank Church Basement

Saturday 8

10:00am-2:00 pm Sacred Spaces Denson Lounge

Sunday 9

8:00 am Holy Communion Chapel

10:00 am Parish Eucharist Church

11:30 am Parish Barbecue Church Garden

5:00 pm Strategic Planning Meeting Denson Lounge

EVENTS



Diviners' Walk – Friday, June 7th – meeting time is 5:30 pm (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers): **Mystic Vale – University Gardens**. Park and start out from Cedar Hill Cross Road, just east of Henderson Road (in front of Emmanuel Baptist Church).

Pub: Margaret Walker's home, 2345 Cedar Hill Cross Road, 250-598-2282.
Please contact Larry Scyner if you plan to come for dinner but not the walk.

St. Mary's Churchmouse Books

Summer *Splash* Book Sale

Saturday, June 8 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Thousands & thousands of great pre-owned books

Silent Auction of the best volumes

Lives Music with James Hamilton & friends

Hot dogs, sliders, tea and coffee

Proceeds in support of local charities (including the Food Bank at St. John's) and community programs.

Sacred Spaces: On Saturday, June 8th, from 10am to 2pm, we will have a workshop on developing an awareness of Sacred Spaces through storytelling, experiencing nature, the ordinary events of life, and liturgy. A Eucharist will be celebrated. Bring a sack lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided. The presenters are: Margaret Walters, Colleen Lissamer, and Bill Tarter. Please let Carol-Ann know if you will be attending.

Donations for Salmon Feast at the Wilkinson Jail National Indigenous Peoples Day

Two years ago, St. John's raised more than \$1,000 to purchase salmon for inmates at the Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day (June 21st).

This year, we are once again invited to donate towards the cost of the Salmon Feast.

Bishop Logan will also attend the celebration at the jail to help support the dedication of the Indigenous Meeting Tent, funded by the Diocesan Vision Fund.

Questions? Please contact Canon Kevin Arndt for more information. Please make cheques payable to "The Church of St. John the Divine" with Salmon Feast in the memo line.

This is a non-tax receiptable item.



Save the date -

Saturday, June 22nd 7-10pm in the hall.
St. John's along with the Cathedral present

Wine and Jazz Fest:

Summer Time -
Gershwin, Ellington and more!

Announcements

A Prayer Group prays through the week; to request confidential prayers for yourself or others contact Pat Manning at: patriciacmanning@gmail.com or leave the request at the church office.

Prayer is the bedrock of our relationship with God through Christ. Individual requests for intercessory prayer (read at Sunday and weekday services) may be made by filling out a **Prayer Request Card** available at the back of the church (on the west wall) or by emailing the same information requested on the card to: carolann.zenger@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca.

The Ghebremeskel Family

We are now within two months of the end of the formal sponsorship of the Ghebremeskel family originally from Eritrea. The family has settled in well during their 10 months in Victoria and are wonderful to work with. For a family of 10 pushing out on their own from shore represents some challenges. They are happy in the rental house in which they have been living and ideally would like to stay there. The landlord is a happy for them to do so, but with a rent of \$2600 a month that is likely to be beyond their means. The father, Hagos, is working part-time at a supermarket and the family might qualify for a subsidized rent from BC Housing. The reality is that with a part time job and a modest rent subsidy the family will still be short of what they need for a viable monthly income.

If anyone knows of or has contact who might know of a house/apartment rental with 3 plus bedrooms with an affordable rent and likely be available in mid-August, please contact Fran McArthur fran.mcarthur43@gmail.com.

The Special Blue Envelope for June is PEERS.

PEERS Victoria Resource Society is a non-profit society established by former sex workers and community supporters. It provides support, resources and programs for past and current sex workers of all genders, such as help with housing, education, and advocacy services etc.

The Monday Afternoon Book Study will not be meeting again until September.

In September, we will start reading "The Four Vision Quests of Jesus" by Steven Charleston.

Everyone is welcome to be part of this group.

If you have questions, please talk to Derek Dunwoody or Rhoda Brodie-Smith.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

STEWARDS

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