

The Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan

# REIGN OF CHRIST

NOVEMBER 22, 2020 - 10 A.M. SERVICE

MATTHEW 25



*Whatever you do for the least ...*

As we gather, we recognize that we live, work and worship in the traditional, unceded lands of the Cowichan Tribes and Coast Salish People. We continue to commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation, relationship and community building.

## Opening Music

### Greeting:

Officiant: 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.**

### Collect of Purity

Officiant: 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.**

### Collect of the Day:

Officiant: Almighty and everlasting God,

**All: whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

### Psalm 100

1 I will sing of mercy and justice; \* **to you, O Lord, will I sing praises.**

2 I will strive to follow a blameless course; oh, when will you come to me? \* **I will walk with sincerity of heart within my house.**

3 I will set no worthless thing before my eyes; \* **I hate the doers of evil deeds; they shall not remain with me.**

4 A crooked heart shall be far from me; \* **I will not know evil.**

5 Those who in secret slander their neighbours I will destroy; \* **those who have a haughty look and a proud heart I cannot abide.**

6 My eyes are upon the faithful in the land, that they may dwell with me, \* **and only those who lead a blameless life shall be my servants.**

7 Those who act deceitfully shall not dwell in my house, \* **and those who tell lies shall not continue in my sight.**

8 I will soon destroy all the wicked in the land, \* **that I may root out all evildoers from the city of the Lord.**

**Loving God, help us to love what is truly perfect, so that we may neither speak what is evil nor do what is wrong. Then bring us to stand in your presence, to sing of your mercy and justice in the company of all your saints, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

### Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

### Homily

### Music for Reflection

### Affirmation of Faith: A Celtic Creed \*

Deacon: Let us affirm our faith as we say,

**All: We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female. We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh, born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to**

a tree. A man of sorrows, he died forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death. On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present, and His kingdom will come on earth. We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.

### Prayers of the People

#### Confession and Absolution\*

Deacon: Dear friends in Christ,  
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept*

Deacon: Most Merciful God,

**All: Jesus, forgive my sins.**

**Forgive the sins I can remember, and also the sins I have forgotten.  
Forgive the wrong actions I have committed, and the right actions I have omitted.  
Forgive the times I have been weak in the face of temptation, and those when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements, and those when I have failed to boast of your works.  
Forgive the harsh judgements I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown to myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others, and the indulgence I have shown to myself. Jesus have pity on me, and make me whole. Amen.**

Officiant: May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself, and cleanse you from all your sins, that you may behold the glory of his Son, the word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### The Peace

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

#### Offertory Music

#### Prayer over the Gifts

Officiant: All that we have and all that we are, are God's gifts to us. So, here we return a token of our wealth asking that it and all we possess be used to God's glory.

**All: Blessed be God Forever.**

#### The Celebration of the Eucharist\*

Officiant: The table of bread and wine... It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Officiant: Blessed is our brother Jesus... next in the coming Kingdom of God.

Officiant: Let us pray,

**All: Loving God, through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. May we know your presence in the sharing of this bread, so that we may know your touch in all bread, all matter. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries, and shares with us now. Made one in Christ, and one with each other, we offer ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice. Amen.**

#### The Great Thanksgiving

Priest: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: We offer you praise, dear God...we join in the song of your unending greatness.

**All: 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.**

Priest: Hear us, O Christ...

...bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh, loving and caring in the world.

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

### **The Lords Prayer:**

Officiant: 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 forever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread:**

Officiant: Take this bread, share the wine, in these, Christ comes to us with love from God.

**All: Thanks be to God**

### **The Communion:**

Officiant: These are the Gifts of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Prayer after Communion:**

Officiant: Give thanks for all God's goodness,

**All: God's love shall last for ever.**

Officiant: Generous and faithful God, You have fed us at your table.

**All: May the nourishment we have received enable us to enrich the lives of others wherever we may go from here. Whether the future be dark or bright, the road be smooth or rough, whether our cares be light or heavy, our song be strong or weak, keep our hearts warm and our hands open, our lives ever embracing and ever embraced by your love. Amen.**

### **Doxology**

**All: 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.**

### **Blessing:**

### **Closing Music:**

### **Dismissal:**

Deacon: Let us go in peace to love and serve Christ in those we meet.

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

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