

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

The 7th Sunday of Easter

May 13, 2018

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.



Painting by Mark Atleo, Ahousaht First Nation

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 Reverend Canon Kevin Arndt

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

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

Presider: The Right Reverend Logan McMenamie

Assistant: The Reverend Canon Kevin Arndt

Deacon: The Reverend Patrick Sibley

Sermon: The Right Reverend Logan McMenamie

Readers: Scott Sudbeck, Joel Durkovic

Intercessor: Karen Coverett

Vergers: Douwe Bosma

Audio: John Bergbusch

Music: The Choristers of St. John the Divine, The MacRae Choral Scholars

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *(sung by the Choir)*

God be in my head, and in my understanding;
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my thinking;
God be at mine end, and at my departing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 585)

BEACH SPRING

GATHERING

In this time and place
We gather on the ancestral territories of the Lekwungen people.

All: From many places and peoples we come to this house in prayer.

In this time and place
We gather in the name of the living God.

All: We meet in the presence of Jesus Christ, risen and alive.

In this time and in this space
We gather with the community of faith
around the globe and across the ages.

All: In this time and space heaven and earth are one.

In this time and space
We are not alone, but one in Christ.

All: Knit together in the unity of the Spirit.

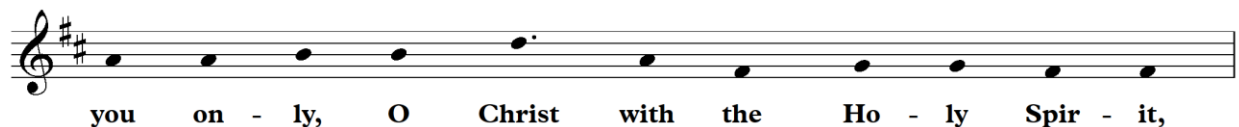
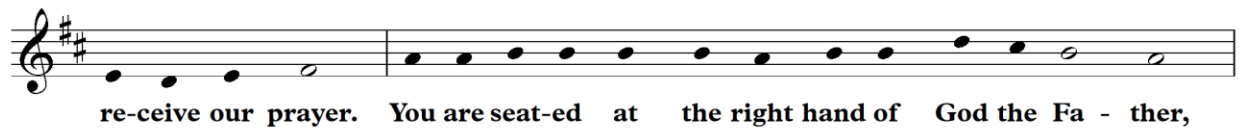
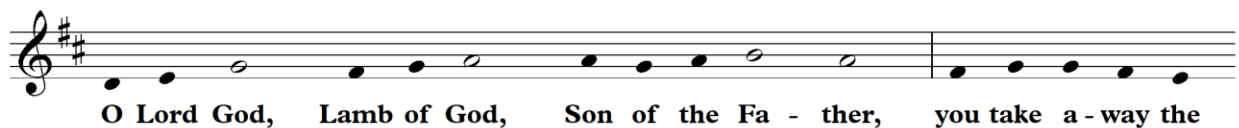
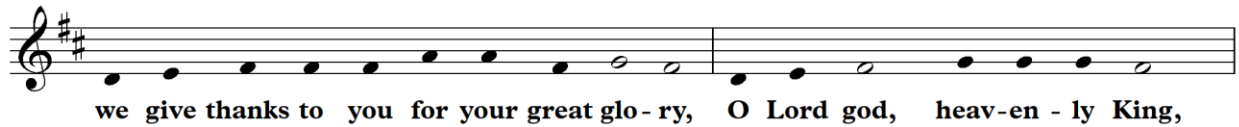
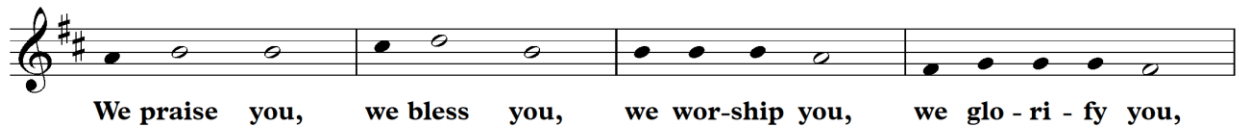
In this time and place
Hallowed, expectant, one people in God.

**All: In the name of the Holy and Blessed One,
Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

John Merbecke, adapted



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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray.

Silence is kept.

Giver of eternal life,
send us to your world
to speak the truth of peace,
to stand with those who suffer,
and to show another way;
through Jesus Christ, the life of all things.

All: Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

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

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

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Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on his law day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.

THE EPISTLE

1 John 5:9-13

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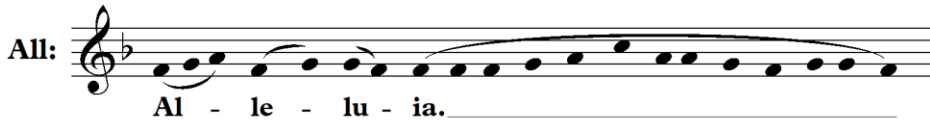
THE GOSPEL

John 17:6-19

Before the Gospel



Cantor or Choir: When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth.



The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel

The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

Following the Sermon there will be a pause for Silence.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare the faith of Christ as we say,

**All: Hear, O Israel;
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
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 neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 84)

ST. OSMUND

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

Eucharistic Prayer B Liturgy for the Islands and Inlets

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Holy and eternal One,
in whom we live and move and have our being.
You are our origin and our fulfilment;
we praise and thank you for drawing us to this sacred meal.

From the ocean of your primal love,
you fashioned the marvel of creation
and beauty of human life.

From this land of towering forests and mist laden coastlines,
you humble us and affirm the sacred gift of all creation,
calling us to care for everything given and received.

All: Glory to you, source of all life.

From the earliest days the peoples of these islands and inlets
learned their dependence on your provision,
salmon and deer, song and ceremony, dance and painted cedar,
hallowed these sacred relationships with all life.

All: Glory to you, source of all life.

In Jesus Christ, you came into our world
to reveal your glory, reconcile all peoples to yourself,
and make all things new in him.

Now, gathered from many places,
and joining with the saints of every time and place,
we raise our thankful voices in songs of unending praise:

SANCTUS

Blessed are you, most holy One:
For on the night before he died
Jesus took bread, gave you thanks,
broke it, gave it to all gathered, and said:
“Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you,
do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup,
gave you thanks, and gave it to them saying:
“Drink this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant
which is given for you,
do this in remembrance of me.”

Therefore, God of all creation,
we lift this Bread of Life, and this Cup of Salvation.
Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts, and upon us,
that we may know Jesus in the breaking of the bread,
and follow him in lives of selfless service and courageous love.

All: Glory to you, source of all life.

In the fullness of time reconcile all things in Christ,
and bring us to that heavenly table,
where every tear will be wiped away and we will feast anew.
Blessing, praise and thanksgiving be to you,
Holy and Eternal One, Undivided Trinity, One God, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian Chant

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

All are invited to receive communion at the side chapel, at the altar rail, or at the back of the church. Please follow the Greeters' instructions. Receiving bread or wine is considered full communion. It is the practice of the ACC not to dip the bread into the wine. Any not receiving communion are invited to receive a blessing, and to indicate that by holding their arms crossed on their chest.

If you are unable to come to a communion station please make this known to the Greeters and we will bring communion to you.

Gluten free wafers for communion are available. Please request them from the person who is distributing the bread.

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)*

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. *Where charity and love are, God is there.*
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. *Christ's love has gathered us into one.*
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur. *Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.*
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum. *Let us fear, and let us love the living God.*
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. *And may we love each other with a sincere heart.*

Music: Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God,
All: 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. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN (CP 378)

DIADEMATA

VOLUNTARY

'Majesté du Christ demandant sa gloire à son Père' (from *l'Ascension*) Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

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.

READINGS FOR MAY 20 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2:1-21 For the disciples on that first Pentecost after Jesus' resurrection, this feast takes on the new significance of celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the church.

Psalms 104:25-35, 37b God's Spirit, as the breath of all creatures, fills the creation.

Romans 8:22-27 Paul speaks of the cosmic work of the Spirit and the work of the Spirit within the life of the Christian.

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 The departure of Christ is relieved in its pain and fulfilled in its joy by the coming of the Holy Spirit.

FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Main

In thanksgiving for the life of our sister Cheryl Jane Hanson and all the love and happiness that she gave us, from Mark Hanson and Daryl Hardin.

Chapel

To commemorate the marriage of Hannah and Rob, and in memory of Alice, love Mum and Dad.

Office Hours 9am – 12 Noon Monday to Friday

Please ensure that any announcements to be read or requests to speak on Sunday morning are received in the office by Friday noon.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today

11:45 am Sunday Reflections Rector's Office

Monday 14

1:30 pm The Divine Knitters Denson Lounge

Tuesday 15

10:00 am Food Bank Crypt

7:00 pm Alliance Club Cooking Hall Kitchen

7:00 pm Parish council Meeting Denson Lounge

Wednesday 16

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

9:30 am Sermon Circle Denson Lounge

1:30 pm Art and Soul Group Crypt

7:00 pm Reel Thought – *The Hundred-Foot Journey* Denson Lounge

Thursday 17

10:30 am Social Justice and Action Group Meeting and Luncheon Denson Lounge

12:10 pm Meditative Eucharist Church

Friday 18

10:00 am Food Bank Crypt

7:30 pm Concert: The Victoria Baroque Players Church

Trumpets Shall Sound with Simon Munday

Pentecost Sunday 20

8:00 am Holy Communion Chapel

10:00 am Parish Eucharist Church

11:30 am Divine Brunch Hall

2:00 pm PFLAG Meeting Denson Lounge

THIS WEEK

Spiritual Director Sherri Koster will be at St. John's this Monday, May 13th and Tuesday, May 14th.

If you have any questions or would like to book an appointment

please contact Sherri directly at sherrickoster@gmail.com.

Come and revive your **Art and Soul** at the art and spirituality group held in the basement space at St. John the Divine every Wednesday afternoon at 1:30pm. Art experience is not necessary! We ask for a *voluntary* donation of \$4.00 per session to provide supplies for those in need. Any questions - please contact Gillian Barlow or Susan McCabe.



Movie Club –

7:00 pm in the Denson Lounge

May 16 *The Hundred-Foot Journey* (2014) (122 mins.)

Sometimes the distance between universes is just a hundred feet.

"The family of talented cook, Hassan Kadam, has a life filled with both culinary delights and profound loss. Drifting through Europe after fleeing political violence in India that killed the family restaurant business and their mother, the Kadams arrive in France. Once there, a chance auto accident and the kindness of a young woman, Marguerite, in the village of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val inspires Papa Kadam to set up an Indian restaurant there. Unfortunately, this puts the Kadams in direct competition with the snobbish Madame Mallory's (Helen Mirren) acclaimed *haute cuisine* establishment across the street where Marguerite also works as a sous-chef. The resulting rivalry eventually escalates in personal intensity until it goes too far. In response, there is a bridging of sides initiated by Hassan, Marguerite and Madame Mallory herself, both professional and personal, that encourages an understanding that will change both sides forever." — *Kenneth Chisholm (IMDb)*

The film is adapted from the *novel* of the same name.

<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2980648/>

The **2018 Diviners' Walking Group schedule** is now available on the entrance tables and at the front office.

Diviners' Walk – Friday, May 18th – meeting time is 5:30 pm (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers): **Langford Lake – Ed Nixon Trail** – Meet at overflow parking: left on Leigh Road off Goldsream, about ¾ km on left hand side. **Pub:** 328 Tap House and Grill, 328 Wale Road, 250-940-1870.

Please contact Larry Scyner if you plan to come for dinner but not the walk.

Join us at 'a time of quiet and beautiful chanting', Friday, May 18th, 6-7 pm at St. Andrew's RC Cathedral for **Prayer and Music in the Style of Taizé**. End your week with a moment to reflect and nourish your spirit. Taizé services welcome everyone.

Friday, May 18th, 2018 - 7:30pm

at St. John's

Victoria Baroque: Trumpets Shall Sound with Simon Munday, trumpet (UK)

A Grand Orchestral Feast for trumpets, horns, winds, and strings.

Music by Telemann, Purcell, Heinichen, Biber, and Handel's Water Music Suites in D & G

TICKETS \$28, \$25, \$5

from Long & McQuade, Munro's Books, Ivy's Bookshop, at the door,
and coffee hour next Sunday, May 13th

250-590-9770 victoria-baroque@shaw.ca

Tickets for the next **Divine Brunch on Sunday, May 20th** are available at coffee hour today and during the week thru the front office. **Cut off for tickets is Thursday, May 17th at 4:00 pm.**

Menu:

Salmon Quiche / Green Salad,
Egg Salad with Smoked Salmon on a Croissant / Green Salad,
Vegetarian, Vegan and Gluten-Free dish available also.

FUN DAY AT ST. GEORGE'S - Come down to Cadboro Bay on Saturday, May 26th from 10am-2pm for St. George's annual Fun Day. This is a day packed with games and activities for all ages, including a scavenger hunt, a bouncy castle, bean bag toss, cupcake walk, and a dog show! Plus, we'll have a huge plant sale, a book sale, and a baking and preserves sale. Don't worry about lunch: we'll have a big food fair with hot dogs, smokies, doughnuts, drinks, and best of all, samosas and dahl freshly made by the Ismaili Community. All are welcome!

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.

Refugee Support Committee

Last week we learned of the plight of Mariam, a refugee woman from Gambia. Her children have been waiting many months for their own applications to be processed, and in the meantime she is supporting them until they can be freed from an extremely unsafe environment. As a result of this intense financial pressure, Mariam has been unable to keep up re-payments to the government of Canada for her own travel loan—but this could jeopardize the application process for her children.

The St. John's community responded with overwhelming generosity. We are so grateful to let you know that you have provided enough funds to cover not just the arrears, but to retire the whole amount of this loan.

Once in a while we are graced to be able to witness, up close, the Spirit working among us. This is one of those times.

Thank you for taking action. Thank you for renewing hope. Thanks be to God.

Social Media – St. John's is committed to communication. If you would like to share the service on social media please do, but please do so as part of your worship and sensitively. Please feel free to use the hashtag #SJDVic.

May Special Blue Envelope -

The **blue envelope** donations for May will go to support the **Taiama Project in Sierra Leone**. This project supports a School and Primary Health Care Centre in the village of Taiama, which was the home of Eric Sama before he came to Victoria as a refugee from the civil war in the 1990's. Eric, who has attended St. John's, returned there briefly in January 2018, to take medical supplies and funds which provide ongoing support for the project.

In March of this year, there was a great gathering at the Health Care Centre, to celebrate the **100th baby** born at the maternity facility, attended by a local mid-wife. Funds are still needed to hire an outreach worker, who can do pre and post-natal home visits to new mothers and babies. Further information is available from the website: www.taiama.org

Walking Together Series

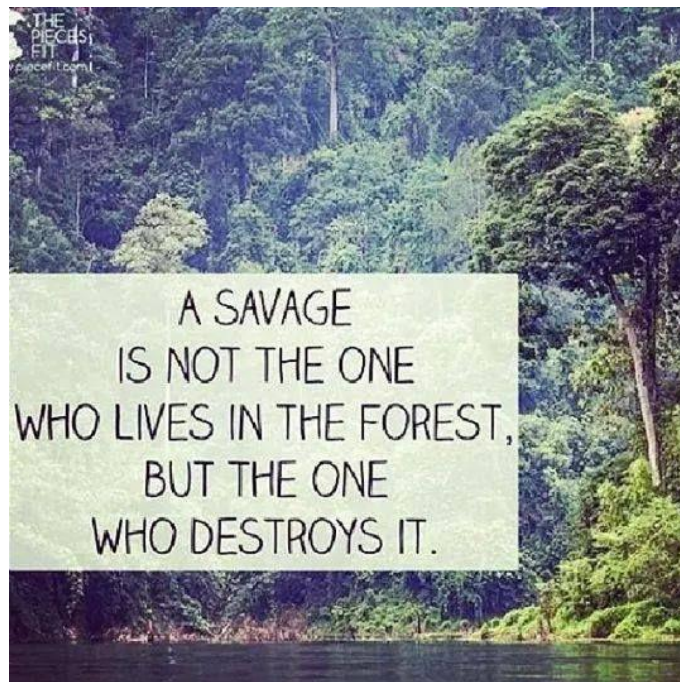
The members of the Social Justice and Action Group would like to express their warm thanks to several members of the Parish outside their ranks who contributed to the success of the series by their support: Sarah Kell for coordinating the session at and visit to the LAU, WELNEW Tribal School; Carol-Ann for administrative assistance; Al Lehmann for managing the sound system; Graeme Brown for running the audio-visual equipment; Pauline Majcher for coordinating photography (and assistants, Terry Needham and Christine Scott); and the Rector for his ongoing encouragement. The group is also especially appreciative of the presence of Bishop Logan at and his willingness to introduce sessions.

SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey

“The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness could not colonize it.”

— Jamie Arpin-Ricci



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

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