

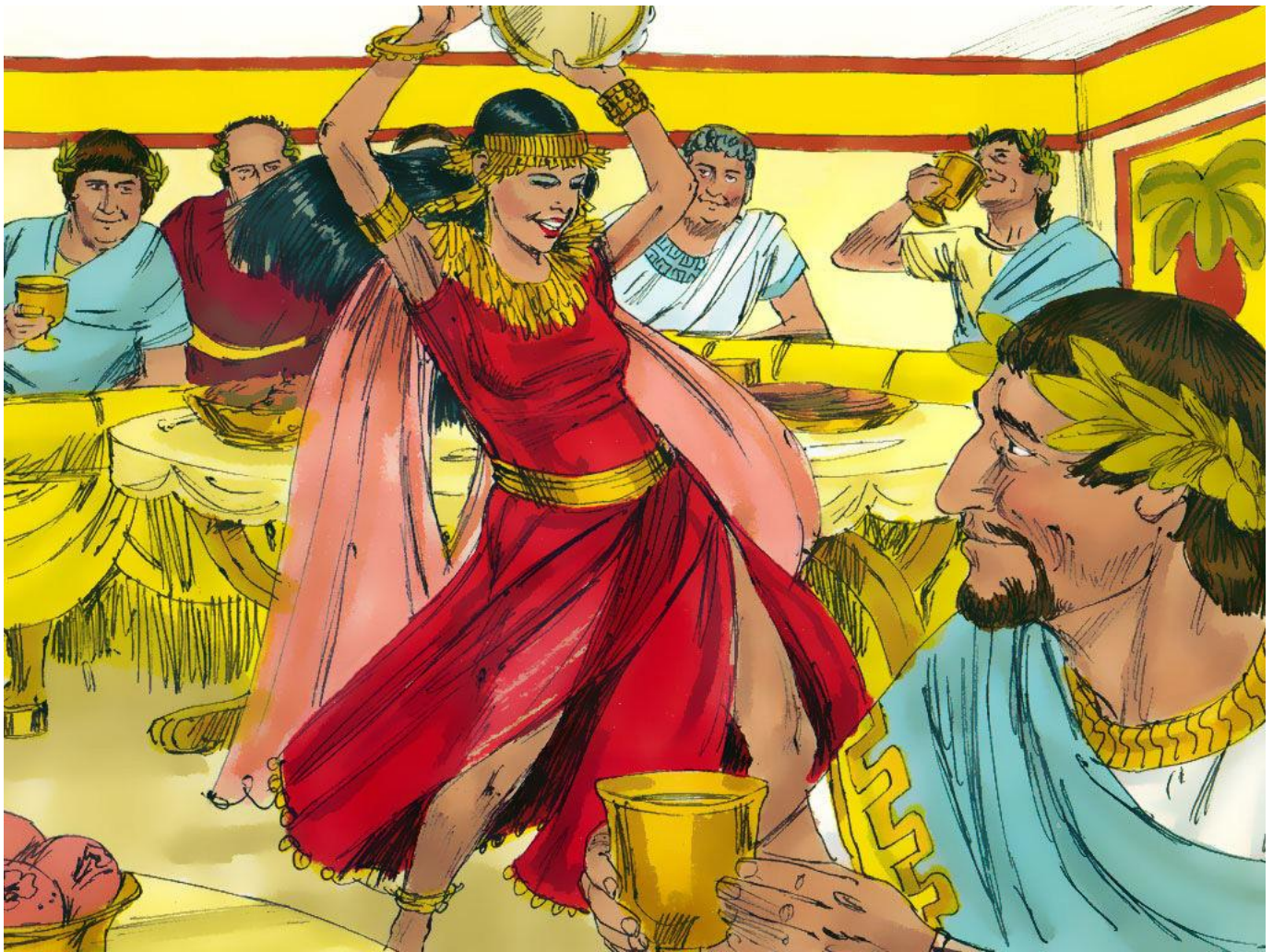
THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

The 8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 15, 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.



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 on 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.

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Deacon: The Reverend Patrick Sibley

Sermon: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

Readers: Beryl Roundhill, Virginia Miller

Intercessor: Kevin Farris

Verger: Chuck Neilson

Audio: Al Lehmann

Music: Barry Lucier, cantor

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 354)

NETTLETON

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.

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.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE AND FORGIVENESS

The Presider may introduce the prayers.

The Presider reminds us of God's healing and forgiveness.

Loving God, Maker of all,

All: Have mercy on us.

Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor,

All: Have mercy on us.

Holy Spirit, Breath of life,

All: Have mercy on us.

Let us in silence admit our frailty and confess our failings.

(Silence)

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness:
To the ways I wound my life, the lives of others and the life of the world.

**All: May God forgive you, Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. Amen.**

**All: Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness:
To the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others and the life of the world.**

May God forgive you, Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.
Amen.

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS


JOHN MERBECKE (c.1510–c.1585), adapted



Glo - ry be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will to-wards all.




We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glo - ri - fy you,



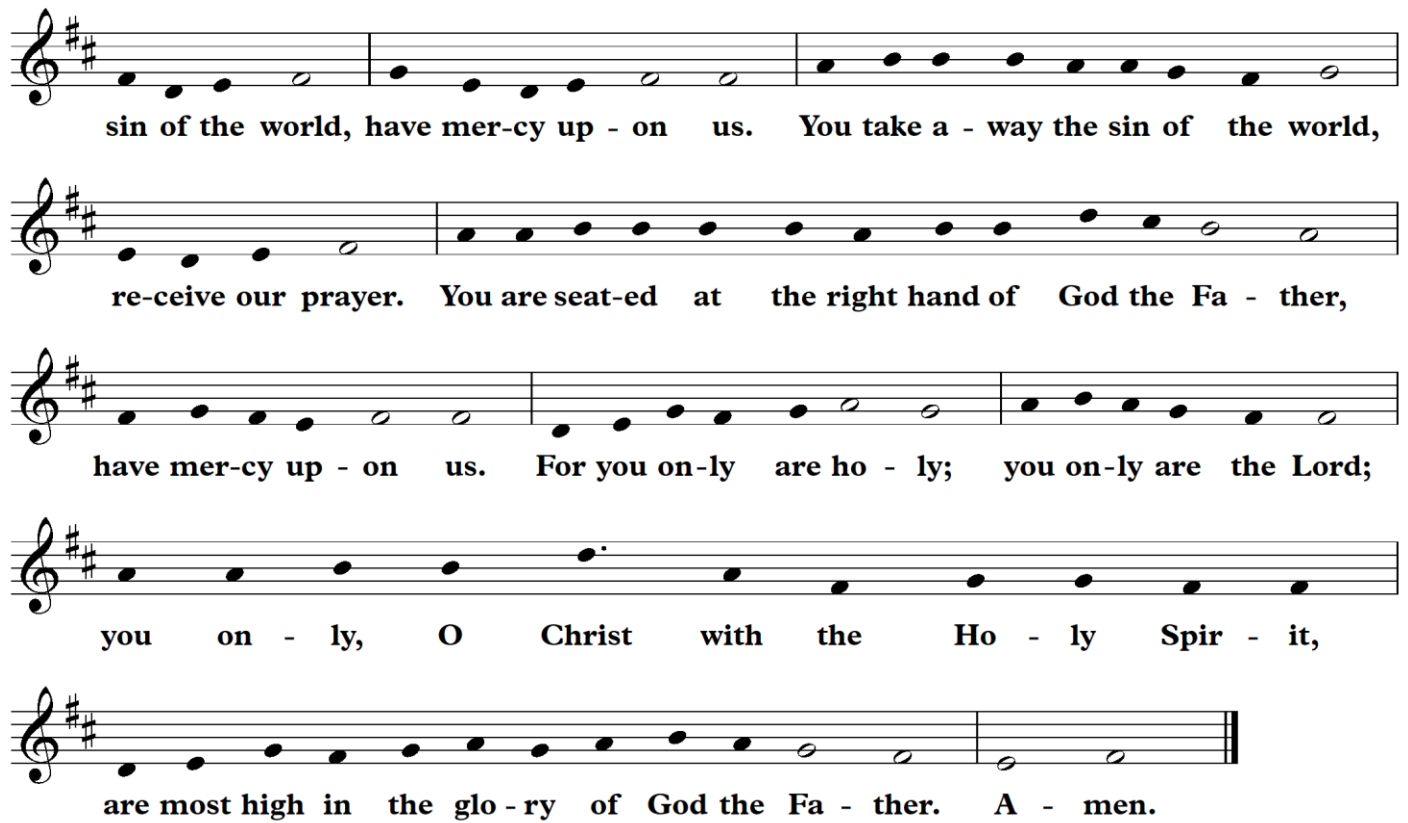
we give thanks to you for your great glo- ry, O Lord god, heav-en - ly King,



God the Fa-ther al-migh - ty. O Lord the on - ly be-got ten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the



sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. You take a - way the sin of the world,
re-ceive our prayer. You are seat-ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther,
have mer-cy up - on us. For you on-ly are ho - ly; you on-ly are the Lord;
you on - ly, O Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
are most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray. Silence is kept.

God of the prophets,
whose word cuts through the webs of power
and holds the tyrant to account:
be with all who raise their voice against oppression and misrule,
who are imprisoned and abused for freedom's sake;
help us to stand and speak with them
and witness to your kingdom now;
through Jesus Christ, the name above all others.

All: Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009)

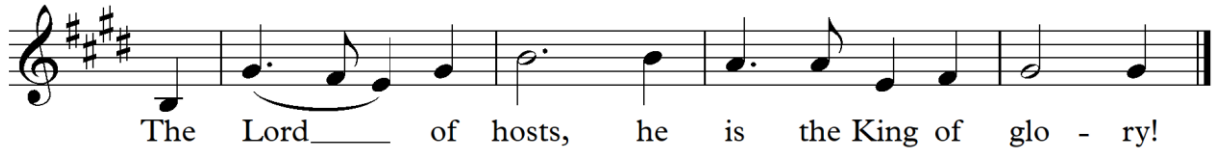
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12-19

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

All: Thanks be to God.



The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it, the compass of the world and all who dwell therein. For he has founded it upon the seas and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep. **R**

'Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, or who can rise up in his holy place?' Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not lifted up their soul to an idol, nor sworn an oath to a lie; **R**

'They shall receive a blessing from the Lord, a just reward from the God of their salvation.' Such is the company of those who seek him, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. **R**

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. **R**

'Who is the King of glory?' 'The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord who is mighty in battle.' **R**

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, you everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. **R**

'Who is this King of glory?' 'The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.' **R**

THE EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:3-14

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

All: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN (CP 401)

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

THE GOSPEL

Mark 6:14-29

Before the Gospel

The Alleluias are sung first by the cantor, then by all:



The verse is then sung by the cantor, and the Alleuias are sung once again by all.

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

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

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PEACE

Please stand.

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 (Red Book 106)

LORD OF THE DANCE

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy God, gracious and merciful,
All: you bring forth food from the earth
and nourish your whole creation.
Turn our hearts toward those
who hunger in any way,
so that all may know your care;
and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.
Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

SUPPLEMENTARY EUCHARISTIC PRAYER #2

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People* 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

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread,
to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

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, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, Grant us__ peace.

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.

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God,
All: we give you thanks
that you have set before us this feast,
the body and blood of your Son.
By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need
and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN (CP 394)

ST. DENIO

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.

READINGS FOR JULY 22 – 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

2 Samuel 7:1-14a The house that God builds is not the building David envisioned, but the sheltering promise of God's mercy and steadfast love down through the ages. **Psalms 89:20-37** The word of God confirms and affirms David and his dynasty to rule over the people of God. **Ephesians 2:11-22** Both Jewish and Gentile followers of Christ are challenged to stop claiming superiority of their own beliefs and to focus on Christ. **Mark 6:30-34, 53-56** Like God in the Old Testament passage for today, Jesus is not contained in any house or resting place. He is on the move, healing and teaching.

FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Main

In thanksgiving for and in celebration of Daryl Hardin's birthday, from Mark Hanson.

Chapel

In celebration of Chene-Marie and David Chuhran's wedding day, July 13th, here in Victoria, from Dorothy Chuhran.

This Week at St. John's

Office Hours 9am – 12 Noon Monday to Friday
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Today

11:45 am	Sunday Reflections	Denson Lounge
2:00 pm	PFLAG	Denson Lounge

Monday 16

3:00 pm	Healing Circle	Chapel
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Tuesday 17

10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt
7:00 pm	Parish Council Meeting	Denson Lounge

Wednesday 18

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	Denson Lounge

Thursday 19

10:30 am	Social Justice and Action Group Meeting	Denson Lounge
	Meditative Eucharist – cancelled for this week only	
2:00 pm	Funeral – Bishop Barry Jenks	Church

Friday 20

10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt
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Sunday 22

8:00 am	Holy Communion	Chapel
10:00 am	Parish Eucharist	Church
11:45 am	Sunday Reflections	Denson Lounge

Sunday Reflections - On weeks without other events we offer the opportunity to ask 'what just happened?' at our Sunday service - an open forum to discuss the sermon, liturgy, music, and indeed anything that might have cropped up during our worship services, or about Anglican practice and tradition generally. This takes place at **11:45am, following the 10am service** and usually lasts for 45 minutes or so. All are welcome; come, and bring your questions!

**Reel Thought Movie Club –
7:00 pm in the Denson Lounge**

Next Wednesday evening, July 18th, we will present our "Reel Thought" movie for July.

Mrs. Palfrey at the Claremont (UK/US, 2005, 108 mins.)

"All but abandoned by her family in a London retirement hotel, an elderly woman strikes up a curious friendship with a young writer."

(IMDb) A dramedy featuring an outstanding performance by Joan Plowright, and Rupert Friend in one of his first roles.

<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0421229/>

This movie celebrates love while being a wry and perceptive study of community and family. Something light for the summer, but we won't be surprised if the story and the characters stay with you long after the credits have rolled.

There will be no Reel Thought in August.

Diviners' Walk – Friday, July 20th – meeting time is 5:30 pm (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers):

Beaver Lake – Meet at parking lot at Beaver Lake furthest from entrance. Enter park from Elk Lake Drive, north of Commonwealth Rec. Centre. NB: We will NOT walk all around the 10km course, but plan on a total of 4-5 km on the west side of Beaver Lake. **Pub:** Janet & Peter Bailey's home.

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

A resurrection of Spring Workday – Saturday, July 21st – 8:30 am to 12 Noon

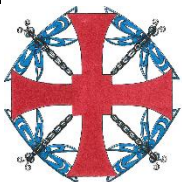
We need a few painters for outside painting, such as the garden benches, stair treads outside Mason Street well to the crypt, main steps to Church, Quadra St. Also, a few individuals for carrying disposable items from the Crypt to the parking lot. There is a sign-up sheet at the Garden Door.

Property Committee

The Order of The Diocese of British Columbia

It's my pleasure to announce that the inaugural ceremony for the Order of the Diocese will take place on **October 20th at**

10:30am in the Cathedral – there will be a number of folk recognised for their work in their own parishes and in the wider church – not least of which will be our very own Penny Holt who will be invested into the Order at this Ceremony. Congratulations Penny!



All are invited to share this occasion, and if you would like to come and support Penny and all those being invested, please let Carol-Ann know as soon as possible so we can pass numbers on to the Synod office as they make plans for the day.

<https://bc.anglican.ca/resources/order-of-the-diocese-of-british-columbia>

- The Venerable Alastair McCollum



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.

Where is St. John's going? What do we care most about?

If you have thoughts about these questions (and even some answers!) you will have a chance to express them over the next several weeks.

Vestry asked for a strategic plan to be ready for 2019. Please pick up a package and use as much of it as you choose to give your thoughts and ideas. You could:

- complete the Checklist of Existing Parish Activities – so we can know what is working now, or
- use the forms based on the Parish Vision Statement – Faith in Action, Faith in Formation, or Faith in Foundation, or
- just write down on a sheet of paper what you think in free form, or
- you could do all of these or just one of them.

Please either drop off your submission to the office, or you could send it by email to strategy@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca

Please be sure to sign the Privacy Statement and Consent Form so your thoughts and ideas can be shared.

GVAT is launching its "listening process" among groups in the congregation at the same time. This is a facilitated conversation lasting about an hour, intended to find out what members are passionate about, and what they would want to invest time in. So it will also help the group give input to the Strategic Plan by answering "what do we want to be doing in 5 years?"

And if you don't belong to any groups within the parish - your voice is important too. GVAT will be providing opportunities for you to be heard in the coming weeks.

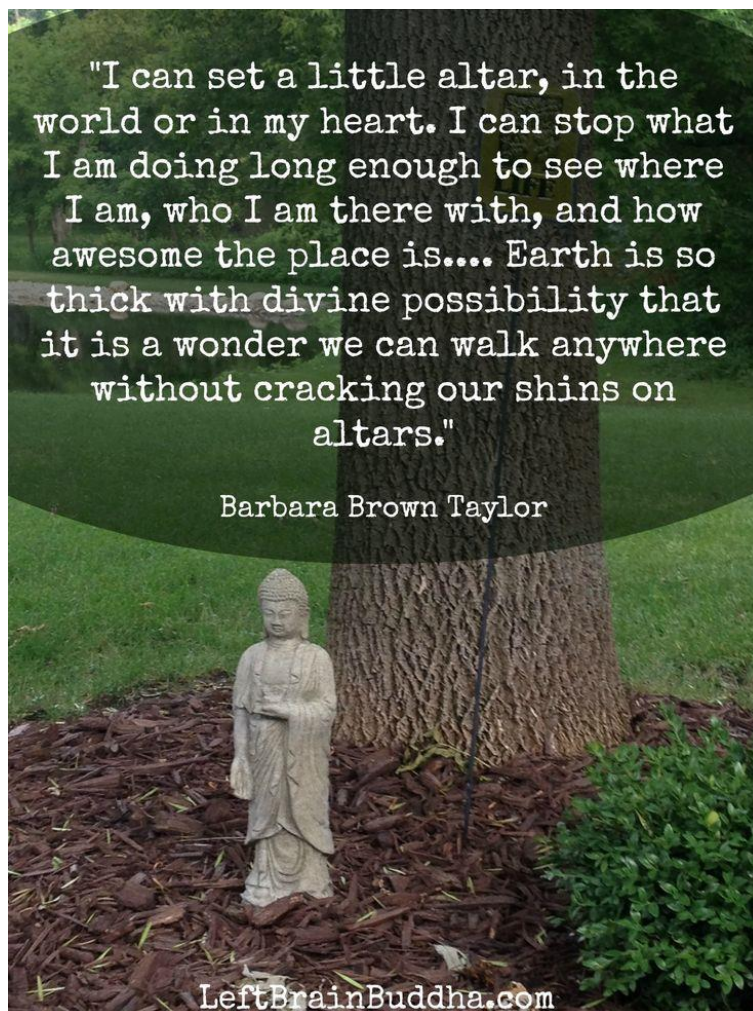
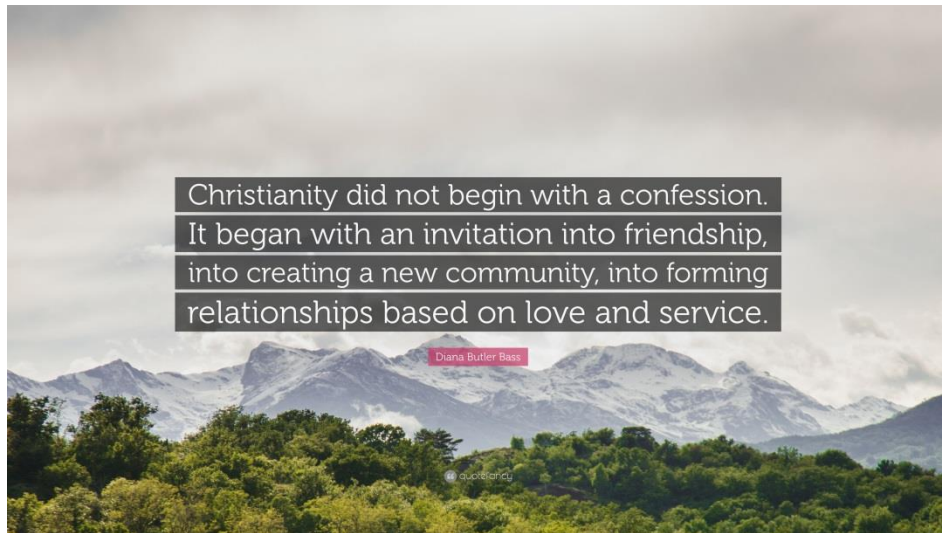
For more information, contact Peggy Wilmot (GVAT) or Chris Eve (Strategic Plan)

The Special Blue Envelope for July is Threshold Housing.

Threshold Housing Society was founded in 1990 by a group of concerned Anglican parishioners to address the transitional housing needs of youth aged between 16 and 21 years who are at risk of homelessness. The Society provides supportive programming in the several homes it owns, and an initiative that helps youth who rent private rooms or suites. Threshold Housing Society was incorporated as a charitable society under the BC Societies Act in March 1990.

SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

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