THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

November 4, 2018

10a.m. All Saints - Parish Eucharist

7:30 p.m.

All Souls - Evensong with Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

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 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 Venerable Alastair McCollum Deacon: The Reverend Patrick Sibley Sermon: The Venerable Alastair McCollum Readers: Mary Alford, Muriel Ryan Intercessor: Kit Pearson Verger: David Pupak Audio: Patrick Ryan Music: The Community Choir, The Sutton Organ Scholar

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 281)

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.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER

After the prayer the children continue their worship in the Parish House.

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.

ALL SAINTS

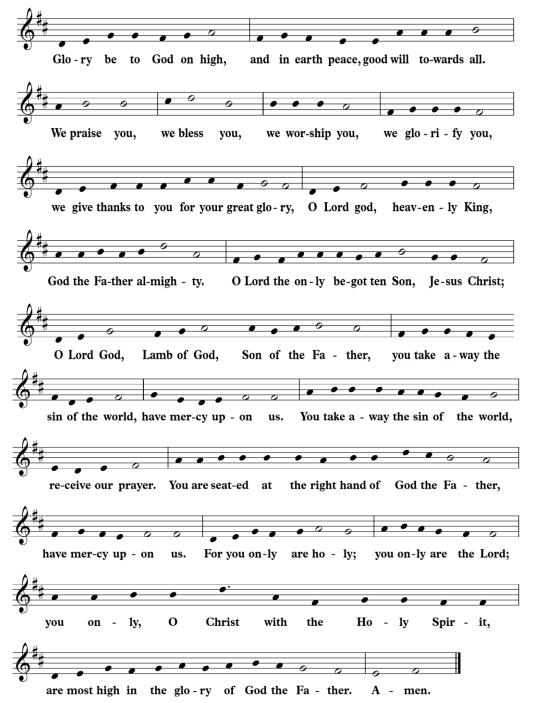
PRAYERS OF PENITENCE AND FORGIVENESS

The Presider may introduce the prayers.

Please repeat "Lord have mercy" or "Christ have mercy" after the priest.

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray. Silence is kept.

Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

PSALM

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

All: Thanks be to God.

24:1-6 The King of glo - ry shall come in.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein. For it is he who founded it upon the seas and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep. **Refrain**

"Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? and who can stand in his holy place?" "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud. *Refrain*

They shall receive a blessing from the Lord and a just reward from the God of their salvation." Such is the generation of those who seek him, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. *Refrain*

THE EPISTLE

Colossians 1:9-14

Revelation 21:1-6a

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

All: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN (NEH 114)

THE GOSPEL

Before the Gospel

John 11:32-44



Deacon : Blessed are the poor in spirit : for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



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.

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

All: We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn; in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands, conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire.

We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.

We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place: into action, into vulnerability and into the streets.

We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line; to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge; to choose life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of hope. Amen. THE IONA CREED

The Iona Worship Book

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 (CP 278)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

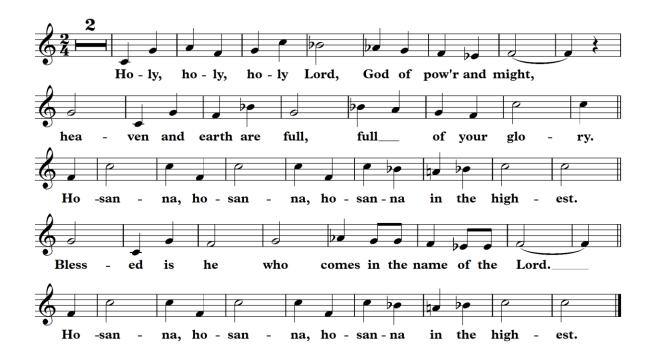
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Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and together with them receive the crown of glory Ewing

that never fades away. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus



We give thanks to you, Lord our God,

for the goodness and love

you have made known to us in creation;

in calling Israel to be your people;

in your Word spoken through the prophets;

and above all in the Word made flesh,

Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him

to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,

to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil,

and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us

out of error into truth,

out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death,

a death he freely accepted,

our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;

and when he had given thanks to you,

he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,

and said, " Take, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All: We remember his death,

we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian Chant

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

All: Give us this bread for ever.

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

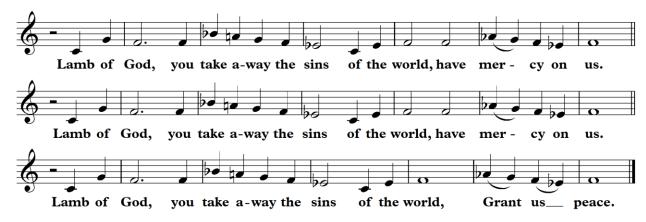
All: May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

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, or at the front 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

Give us the wings of faith to rise within the veil, and see the saints above, how great their joy, how bright their glories be. Once they were mourning here below, and wet their couch with tears; they wrestled hard with sin and doubt and fear. We ask them whence their victory came. They with one united breath ascribe their conquest to the Lamb, their victory to his death.

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748). Music: M. Larkin (b. 1963)

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of hosts,

All: we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn (CP 276)

Sine Nomine

Dénis Bédard (b. 1949)

VOLUNTARY Variations on 'Sine Nomine' 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.

7:30 pm Choral Evensong with Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in **bold** print. **Officiants:** The Venerable Alastair McCollum, The Reverend Patrick Sibley **Music:** The Choristers of St. John the Divine; The Sutton Organ Scholar; The MacRae Choral Scholars **Setting of the Canticles:** Adrian Batten (1591-1637) *First Verse Service*

INTROIT (sung by the choir)

O quam gloriosum est regnum, in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes Sancti! Amicti stolis albis, sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit. O how glorious is the kingdom in which all the saints rejoice with Christ, clad in robes of white they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

> Text: All Saints, Second Vespers, Antiphon to the Magnificat Music: Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)

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.	Music: Thomas Tallis, arr. M. Larkin	

OFFICE HYMN (CP 282)

PSALM (Sung by the choir. Please sit; stand for the final Gloria Patri)

Psalm 121

Dundee

¹ I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

² My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

³ He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

⁴ Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵The Lord himself is thy keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

⁶ So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

⁷ The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

⁸ The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

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.

FIRST LESSON (Please sit)

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

'The LORD is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'

The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

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)

John 14:1-6, 27

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

NUNC DIMITTIS (Please stand – sung by the choir in Latin)

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine, secundum verbum tuum in pace: Quia viderunt oculi mei salutare tuum Quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum: Lumen ad revelationem gentium, et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.

GLORIA Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Santo. Sicut erat nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

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

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. 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.

Hymn (CP 20)

Ar hyd y nos

Act of commemoration

O Father of all, we pray to thee for those whom we love but see no longer. Grant them thy peace; and in thy loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of thy perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading of the names

During the reading of the names you are invited to come forward to light a candle in memory of a friend or loved one.

After the names have been read, the choir sings a setting of the Russian Kontakion of the Dead:

Give rest unto your servants with your saints O God,

where there is neither pain nor sorrow, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

For you, God, only are immortal, the creator and the maker of all,

and we are mortal formed of the earth, and to the earth we shall return.

Give rest...

For so did you ordain when you created me saying, 'You are dust and to dust you shall return;'

all of us go down to the dust, yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Give rest...*

Music: Rupert Lang (b. 1948)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of comfort: Deal graciously, we pray thee, with those who mourn, that casting every care on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

BLESSING (Please stand)

HYMN (CP 29)

ST. CLEMENT

Voluntary

Elegy

Sir George T. Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

Readings for November 11 – Remembrance Sunday

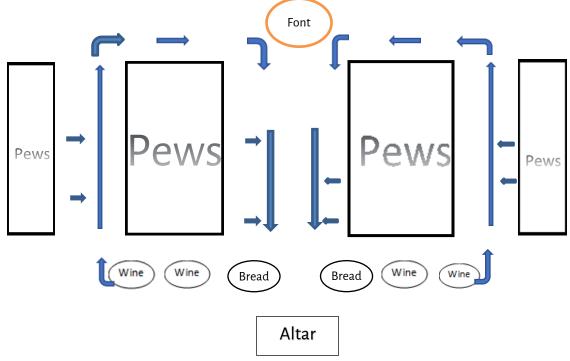
Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17 By arranging for Ruth's marriage to Boaz, Naomi sets up the family tree that will eventually give birth to David, the future king. **Psalm 127** The strength of a house depends on having God as its builder; the survival of the house depends on children to inherit it. **Hebrews 9:24-28** The Letter to the Hebrews continues its thesis that Christ is the ultimate high priest who acts on our behalf. **Mark 12:38-44** Jesus gives warning against religion that is all show; he then endorses a widow's generosity.

FLOWERS

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, Doug and Joan & Jake and Kay, from David Lemon and Pat Javorski.

SHARING IN COMMUNION

From next Sunday, 11th November we will be trialling a new way of distributing our communion. A number of people – both newcomers/visitors and those of us who have been a part of the community for some while – have commented on how confusing, and frankly unwelcoming, our current way of sharing bread and wine is. Therefore, in an effort to make for ourselves a welcoming, accessible, straightforward space, we are going to be sharing communion in one place – at the front of the church – at two stations. Please take bread from the Eucharistic Minister standing on your side, then move to the next available chalice of the two which will be at each station. We ask those in the side Aisles to go to the back of the church and then to the front to receive.



Gluten free wafers will be available at both stations.

Those with limited mobility please indicate your desire to take communion in your seat and a minister will come to you.

As always, all are welcome to take part in our sharing. Thank you for being a part of our community!

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today				
11:45 am	Sunday Reflections	Denson Lounge		
7:30 pm	Evensong	Church		
Monday 5				
2:00 pm	Book Study	Chapel		
4:00 pm	Living Presence – Meditation	Chapel		
Tuesday 6				
10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt		
Wednesday 7				
7:45 am	Holy Communion followed by Breakfast	Chapel/Denson Lounge		
9:30 am	Sermon Circle	Denson Lounge		
1:30 pm	Art and Soul Group	Crypt		
Thursday 8				
12:10 pm	Meditative Eucharist	Chapel		
Friday 9				
10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt		
Saturday 10				
6:00 pm	Breaking Bread	Denson Lounge		
Remembrance Sunday 11				
8:00 am	Holy Communion	Chapel		
9:45 am	Parish Eucharist (note time for this week only)	Church		
11:15 am	Sunday Reflections	Denson Lounge		

Remembering and Marking



As this year is the 100th Anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that marked the end of the First World War, we want to finish our worship before 11am in order that those who wish to can try to make it to the Inner Harbour for the Observance. To this end, **we will be starting our service on Sunday, 11th November at 9:45 am,** with an act of remembrance, including the laying of wreaths and the silence. We will then proceed to share a slightly shortened Eucharist Service to allow us

to either depart, or to share in coffee (where at 11am we will be observing a silence)

Thank you all for your assistance in this. Alastair

EVENTS

The Journey of Healing

During this month of November, we will be considering the shared journey of healing

that all of us find ourselves on by virtue of our following Christ.

Our Sunday Sermons for the month will be following the readings for the week, and the appropriate Festivals, but there will be – as Grant said in last week's sermon – a thread of thinking about and engaging with the meaning of 'healing' woven throughout the month.

Healing is both the heart and foundation of our faith, it is the work which Christ came to do, and which we believe



Christ continues to do in our lives as we are open to the creative, dynamic, healing, gracious, Spirit of God. As the month progresses we will be looking at different aspects of healing on Sundays, including:

November 4th – All Saints Sunday – Healing and Sanctification: A work in progress November 11th – Remembrance Sunday – For the Healing of the Nations November 18th – Last After Pentecost – tbc

November 25th – The Reign of Christ – A Kingdom of Shalom

There will also be a **Eucharist with prayers for healing on November 18th at 6pm** in our 'Walking Together/Emmaus Chapel" and opportunities to pray for healing and to learn about the meanings of 'Christian Healing' through the month. All this is alongside the regular prayers for healing which are available in each Sunday Eucharist, and the confidential healing prayer groups which are reachable via the office.

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!

Remembering lives lost to substance use

Tuesday November 6 5.15 pm

All Saints and All Souls is traditionally when the church remembers those who have died.

This memorial is a time of remembrance for everyone, and especially for those who have lost family or loved ones through overdoses.

Recovery Yoga will be offered after the memorial for those who wish to participate.

930 Burdett St, Victoria (Quadra at Rockland)

CHURCH

Cathedral for the City

Come and revive your **Art & 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.

Wonderful Wednesdays at St. George's Church is an educational forum open to everyone. This fall, we're offering a three-part series called *Hope and Faith to the End: God, Medicine, and Meaning in Aging and Dying*. Join us **November 7th,** as speakers discuss palliative care, physician-assisted dying, and how our faith fits. All sessions begin at 9:30am with tea and treats; the presentation begins at 10:00am sharp. Admission by donation. For a full description of each session, please visit www.stgeorgecadborobay.ca The Victoria Shoah Project invites the public to the annual commemoration of **Kristallnacht (Night of Broken Glass) on Thursday, November 8th**, 7:00pm, at Congregation Emanu-El, 1461 Blanshard Street.

We will be remembering what took place on the evening of November 9th, 1938. Kristallnacht targeted Jews solely for who they were with planned attacks of Jewish owned stores, buildings and synagogues in Germany and Austria while authorities did nothing to stop the assault. The Name Kristallnacht refers to the pieces of broken glass covering the streets but represents the broken lives, forever changed by this tragedy.

Fringe alumnae Andrew Bailey (son of Tom & Nancy Bailey of this parish), Tara Travis, and Jayson McDonald have teamed up to create *Phantom Signal*. Playing one night only on **Fri., Nov. 9th** at The Metro, this radio play on stage presents tales too terrifying to take seriously. Tickets are available by phone at 1-855-842-7575 or in person at 101-804 Broughton Street.

The St. John the Divine Social Justice and Action Group and First Metropolitan United Church present

The "Faith in Justice" Study Series

With guest speakers and facilitators on issues of social justice and action and the challenges they present to faith communities.

Wednesday, November 14, 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Denson Lounge Joel Durkovic: "Moving Toward and Through Conflict: Some of the Nitty Gritty"

Joel Durkovic is a Registered Marriage and Family Therapist and Director of Arbour Counselling Centre in Victoria. He has been a professional counsellor for over 20 years working with couples and families to engage and process through conflict toward wholeness. Joel has lived and worked in Guatemala, the United States, and for the last 15 years, in Victoria. He is a member of St. John's Parish.

All are welcome. To help us with planning these sessions please let Carol-Ann know if you plan to attend.

Icon Writing Workshop with Peter Pearson, Nov. 14-17, 2018

Each workshop participant will receive easy- to-follow, step-by-step instructions, and all materials necessary to complete an icon. Every session begins and ends with prayer and includes plenty of time for hands-on icon writing. The icon this year is based on the Russian Icon of the Angel with the Golden Hair. A teacher of iconography for 25 years, Peter Pearson has studied with numerous masters. Over 45 years, he has created hundreds of icons for private collectors, churches and institutions around the world. Workshop hours: Wed – Fri 7pm – 9:30pm, Sat. 9:30am – 4:30pm. Dates: Nov. 14 – 17. Cost: 425.00. The workshop will be held in the Crypt (Church basement). The registration deadline has been extended.

Next Divine Brunch - Sunday, November 18th

Tickets are available today at coffee hour, or during the week at the office. The cut-off for tickets is Wednesday, November 14th at 4pm.

Menu: Cheese Broccoli Quiche/ Green Salad Green Pea/ 1/2 Sandwich Vegetarian, Vegan, Gluten Free



THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND LUNCHEON

Saturday, December 8^{th} , 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

The bazaar is just weeks away and we are looking forward to receiving Crafts, Jewelry, Christmas items, Baked goods and preserves, and good quality Books. If you have any questions contact Heather Baker (hbaker@islandnet.com).



An intimate concert in an intimate setting **Raising funds for neighbours in need**

Wednesday November 21 | Baumann Centre, 925 Balmoral Rd. 6:30pm Doors open / 7:00pm Concert

> \$100/Person Complementary Appetizers / Cash Bar

Patron Ticket: \$150/Person (Includes champagne reception with the Artists at 6pm)

Tickets: 250.383.7169 ext. 226

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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.

It's time to start thinking of sending some love in the mail.

The **PWRDF CHRISTMAS CARDS** have arrived. This year there are 10 styles to choose from. As in past years, PWRDF will issue a tax receipt for each donation of \$20 per packet of 12 cards. Wendy Suddaby and Murray Luft will have them available at coffee hour.

The November Special Monthly Envelope is RILL/Aboriginal Neighbours.

Aboriginal Neighbours is an ecumenical organization initiated by the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia. The organization was formed out of its members' concerns for the First Peoples and the future of aboriginal children. Revitalization of Indigenous Languages: a Gift to Future Generations (RIL) was started by the Aboriginal Neighbours Group in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Report, Call to Action # 61 that calls upon church parties to the Settlement Agreement to establish permanent funding for culture and language revitalization projects. Undertaken in conjunction with the First People's Cultural Council, the RILL project supports elders who are fluent speakers of their language to work with apprentices, as mentors, and to pass along the language that was taken from so many in the residential schools.

Tel: 250-595-1786 Website: http://aboriginalneighbours.org/contact



The Ghebreheskel family is expecting a baby girl on Nov. 4th!

If anyone would like to donate used or new baby clothing up to the age of two, packages of disposable diapers, or baby toys, please place them in the box in the foyer labelled "baby clothes". Phone me if you need anything picked up. Many thanks for anything you can contribute. Kit Pearson

Pastoral Care at St. John the Divine

Our pastoral care team is made up of trained clergy and lay members of the congregation, and we are here to visit you at home, in a care residence, or at the hospital. We can pray together, have a conversation, read from the scriptures, tell you what is happening at the church, or just sit in silence, depending on what works best for you. We may also bring Holy Communion, if you so wish.

We can also connect you with some of the other ministries of care at St John's. For example, with your permission, we can add your name to the Sunday prayer list or the confidential Pastoral Prayer Ministry, or arrange for you to receive the gift of a prayer shawl.

Pastoral care visits can be arranged by calling the church office at **250-383-7169** or by emailing **pastoral@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca**. Please include some contact information in your message and a member of the pastoral care team will get back to you as quickly as possible in order to arrange a visit.

For any urgent, after hours pastoral care need, please call the **on-call cell phone at 778-678-6873.**



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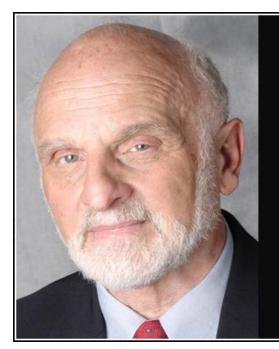
Things to nourish our spiritual journey

Closed Path

I thought that my voyage had come to its end at the last limit of my power,---that the path before me was closed, that provisions were exhausted and the time come to take shelter in a silent obscurity.

But I find that thy will knows no end in me. And when old words die out on the tongue, new melodies break forth from the heart; and where the old tracks are lost, new country is revealed with its wonders.

Rabindranath Tagore



Compassion constitutes a radical form of criticism, for it announces that the hurt is to be taken seriously, that the hurt is not to be accepted as normal and natural, but is an abnormal and unacceptable condition for humanness.

— Walter Brueggemann —

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