

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

The 5th Sunday of Easter

May 19, 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 Reverend Bill Tarter

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

Gospel: Graeme Brown

Sermon: The Reverend Bill Tarter

Readers: Heidi Hodgins, Margaret Walker

Intercessor: Karen Coverett

Verger: David Pupak

Audio: Walter Hundleby

Music: The Choristers of St. John the Divine,

The Sutton Organ Scholar,

The MacRae Choral Scholars

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

INTROIT

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death;
Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

Text from the Song of Solomon. / Music: William Walton (1902-1983).

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (NEH 263)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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.**

GLORIA



Priest: Glo - ry be to God__ on high__

Choir: And on earth peace, good will towards all.



All: We praise__ you__

Choir: We bless you.



All: We wor - ship__ you.

Choir: We glorify you.



All: We give_ thanks to__ you__ for your_ great glo - ry.

Choir: O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.



All: O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus__ Christ.

Choir: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.



All: You take a way_ the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

Choir: You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.



All: You are seat - ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther,



have mer - cy up - on us.

Choir: For you only are holy.



All: You on - ly__ are__ the__ Lord.

Choir: You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father.



All: A - - - men.____

Translation: Book of Common Prayer, modernised. Music: Missa viii, 'De Angelis'

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.

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare God's love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life
gives us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

All: Amen.

Common Worship: Additional Collects (2004)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 11:1-18

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

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM *(Sung by the Choir)*

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Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created.

He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;

You men and maidens, old and young together.

Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

THE EPISTLE

Revelation 21:1-6

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

All: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN (CP 383)

DUKE STREET

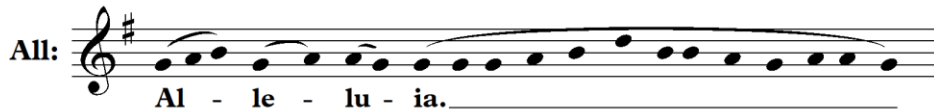
THE GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

Before the Gospel



Deacon or choir: A new commandment I give to you: that you love one another as I have loved you.



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

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 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 485)

LOVE DIVINE

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

Book of Alternative Services, Prayer 3

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.

Blessed are you, gracious God,
 creator of heaven and earth;
 we give you thanks and praise
 for the glorious resurrection of your Son
 Jesus Christ our Lord;
 for he is the true paschal lamb
 who has taken away the sin of the world.
 By his death he destroyed death,
 and by his rising to life again
 he has won for us eternal life.
 Therefore, joining our voices
 with the whole company of heaven,
 we sing our joyful hymn of praise
 to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Pow - er and might, Heav'n and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his res-ur-rec-tion,
we a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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.



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

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 *(Sung by the choir)*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
 miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
 have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,
 dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
 grant us peace.*

Music: Palestrina

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

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Which according to His abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, that fadeth not away, reserved in heav'n for you, Who are kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

But as He which hath calleth you is Holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear.

Love one another with a pure heart fervently. See that ye love one another.

Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away.

But the word of the Lord endureth for eve. Amen.

Text: 1 Peter 1 vv. 3-5, 15-17, 22-25. / Music: S. S. Wesley (1810-1876).

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 (CP 330)

LAUDATE DOMINUM

VOLUNTARY

Toccata, Th. Dubois (1837-1924)

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 26TH – THE 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 16:9-15 Paul, with others, takes the gospel to Macedonia and the city of Philippi; there a dealer in purple cloth, Lydia, and her household, are baptized.

Psalms 67 God's saving power among all nations is celebrated.

Revelation 21:10, 22—22:5 The vision of Revelation is of a future open to God's continual salvation for the peoples of the earth.

John 14:23-29 Preparation of Jesus' followers for life in his absence includes two promised gifts: the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, and Jesus' peace, shalom.

FLOWERS

Main

Given to the Glory of God from Marilyn Moody.



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today

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

Monday 20

The Office is closed for Victoria Day.		
4:00 pm	Living Presence Meditation	Denson Lounge

Tuesday 21

10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt
7:00 pm	Parish Council Meeting	Denson Lounge
7:00 pm	Alliance Club Cooking for youth in need	Hall Kitchen

Wednesday 22

7:45 am	Morning Prayer followed by Breakfast	Chapel/Denson Lounge
9:30 am	Sermon Circle	Denson Lounge

Thursday 23

12:10 pm	Meditative Eucharist	Church
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Friday 24

10:00 am	Food Bank	Crypt
6:00 pm	Prayer and Music in the Style of Taizé	Church

Saturday 25

7:30 pm	Concert: Coastline – Fiddling Across Canada See leaflet notice for details.	Dave Dunnet Theatre
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Sunday 26

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

EVENTS

LGBTQ and Christian – Victoria's Generous Space group meets monthly

Next meeting: **Wednesday, May 22nd**. Please contact Elizabeth for meeting location and/or more information: ebethjanna@gmail.com.

*No matter your sexuality, gender expression, or relationship status;
no matter your convictions, interpretation of Scripture, or theology;
no matter how vibrant your faith, audacious your questions, or persistent your doubt,
there is room for you in our group.*

An Invitation: Butch Dick (the artist that created the artwork for the chapel doors) has sent us an invitation to an event to be held at the Esquimalt High School on Thurs., May 23rd at 7:00pm. The students are presenting in the "Sacred Circle" and this will be according to Butch "worth witnessing". Admission is by donation.



Diviners' Walk – Friday, May 24th – meeting time is 5:30 pm (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers): **West Bay Walkway** – Meet at West Bay Trail trailhead at Head Street.
Pub: Gorge Point Pub, 1075 Tillicum Road, 250-386-5500.
Please contact Larry Scyner if you plan to come for dinner but not the walk.

Silence, repetitive chants, prayers that bring reflection and pause in our busy days. Please join us at St. John the Divine Anglican Church for the **Prayer and Music in the Style of Taizé** service - Friday, May 24th - 6-7 pm. Doors open at 5:30 pm and anyone interested in joining the choir is welcome at 5:30 for a brief practice.

Coastline

Fiddling Across Canada Concert

Saturday, May 25

Dave Dunnet Community Theatre

(Oak Bay High School) 2121 Cadboro Bay Road

Doors open 7:00pm - Concert 7:30pm

Tickets available at Long and McQuade, Ivy's Bookshop or online at www.coastlinefiddle.com

\$20/\$15 students and VFS members

Coastline is a string ensemble comprised of some of BC's top young musicians ranging from ages 15-21, coached and mentored by internationally acclaimed fiddler, Ivonne Hernandez. With intricate arrangements of traditional, original and contemporary fiddle tunes from around the world,

Coastline is pushing boundaries and always having a great time whenever they play.

Did you know that three of St. John's young people, Lauren & Dexter Hodgins and Camryn Nadeau, are members of **Coastline**? The group rehearses every Friday afternoon in the Denson Lounge. They invite you to their upcoming concert. Check it out!

Oak Bay United Church (1355 Mitchell Street) is very excited to be hosting Ivan Coyote as they present **“Somewhere over the rainbow sticker”**, an evening for faith communities seeking to support and advocate for the LGBTQ+ community. On Tues., May 28th at 7:00 pm, join Ivan Coyote, storyteller and author of 12 books, and a 27 year veteran of the road and the stage, in a heartfelt and memorable performance written to move us beyond simply putting up a rainbow sticker on the door, and giving us the tools and language to work towards building authentically inclusive and safe(r) spaces that truly welcome queer and trans people into our congregations. Tickets on sale only at the OBUC office (cash/cheque, Tues-Fri 9am-3pm). We expect this event to sell out, so don't miss out! For a mature audience, 13 years and up recommended. \$20/ \$15 students.

Raven People Rising – The Nathan E. Stewart sank, but the Heiltsuk rose.

Tues. May 28th - UVIC First Peoples House

Doors open at 6:30 pm – film screening at 7:00 pm, discussion to follow.

Admission by donation in support of the Heiltsuk Nation legal challenge

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1229296907217709/>

Speakers: Lisa Fong, Lawyer for the Heiltsuk, and Maimie Harris, Heiltsuk Tribal Council



The Property Committee's **Annual Spring Clean-up Day** is scheduled for **Saturday, June 1st**, to begin at 8:30 am, coffee and donuts provided, as well as a light lunch at 12:30 pm. Help make our Church cleaner and brighter. All cleaning products are supplied. Lots of jobs available – both big and small. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the Garden Door.

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.

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.

Parishioner and volunteer-extraordinaire **Peggy Wilmot has just won the Lifelong Learning Award from Leadership Victoria.** Peggy has served Victoria in many ways over her 35 years in this city, and has done so with kindness, humour, hospitality and grace, reads the citation. She "believes in a world where people who feel they belong can grow into a fuller sense of themselves by working collaboratively to make their communities better." A lifelong educator, Peggy has given back to her community in many ways and has volunteered at Project Connect, Together Against Poverty, Faith in Action, the Food Bank at St. John's, Downtown Service Providers, and Greater Victoria Acting Together (GVAT).

Volunteers Needed: Do you like to drink coffee after church and share fellowship with others? If so, you are not alone. Please consider joining the coffee roster to set-up, make coffee/tea and clean-up. The more teams of 2 we have the less often you will be on duty. If interested please speak with Carol-Ann in the church office.

Also, volunteers are needed to help put tables and chairs away each week after coffee hour. If you are able to stay and help with this it would be most appreciated.

The Blue Envelope for May is for the Taiama Project in Sierra Leone.

This development project was organized in Victoria by a group of supporters who had spent time in the village of Taiama, then helped to bring refugees Eric Sama and his family members from there. Now they raise funds to benefit the local school, women's projects, and Health Care Centre. The Maternal Health Program is currently their major focus, in a country where the mortality rate for mothers and infants is one of the highest in the world.

The Taiama Project Report is posted on the church bulletin boards, and available online at www.taiama.org

Eric Sama was a parishioner at St. John's for some time. He still travels to Taiama annually, carrying much needed medical supplies for the clinic.

For further information, please contact Ann McLaren.

Gretchen gets a tree: Gretchen Brewin, a former parishioner and Victoria's first female mayor, is having a tree planted in her honour on Sat., July 6th at 10 am, in the Mayor's Grove, Beacon Hill Park. Access off Quadra Street. All are welcome.

The Finance Committee provides this operating statement for January 1 to March 31, 2019, to keep parishioners informed of **St. John the Divine's financial status** relative to the budget approved by Vestry in February 2019. Detailed financial statements are also provided monthly on the bulletin board at the front of the church. At Vestry, the Finance Committee shared the financial goals for St. John the Divine of monitoring and keeping the day to day operating costs down, reducing the deficit, and increasing revenues while continuing to maintain our church building. We include the budget here to help you follow our "financial story" for 2019.

St. John the Divine Anglican Church			
Operating Statement through 3 months ended			
31-Mar-2019			
	3 mo. Ended 31-Mar 2019	3 mo. Budget	Percent of 3 mo. Budget
Donations/Givings	94,002	96,750	97%
Rentals	25,634	25,440	101%
Fundraising	1,319	2,000	66%
Memorials/Bequests	15,000	0	
Operating Revenue	135,955	124,190	109%
Clergy	35,024	36,459	96%
Worship	21,951	24,492	90%
Diocese	23,707	23,707	100%
Family Min./Outreach	8,987	10,299	87%
Building	46,158	29,650	156%
Administration	22,647	24,252	93%
Other Operating Exp.	3,263	0	
Operating Expense	161,738	148,859	109%
Net Core Inc./Exp.	(25,783)	(24,669)	105%
Investment Income	12,422	8,250	151%
Capital Expenditures	(49,060)	(38,375)	128%
Total Net Inc./Exp.	(62,421)	(54,794)	114%

Thus far in 2019, the operating revenues are ahead of the proposed 3-month budget due to bequests received. Our envelope givings are down from what was budgeted, but our givings do not include Easter's envelope contributions which are typically generous. Our operating expenses are up from the proposed three-month budget due to higher than planned building expenses; **annual insurance and taxes for the church are paid early in the year.**

As beneficiaries of previous generations, St. John the Divine is blessed with income from investments which helps to offset our deficit. Thus far in 2019, our investments are doing well.

We are all benefitting from and appreciative of our new lighting system. However, our lighting system is not fully paid for. Our capital expenditures show that there is \$49,060 in outstanding expenses for our lighting system. Any contributions that we as parishioners make to the lighting system reduce the funds that must come from our investments. Many parishioners have been very generous and have already contributed, and some will

complete pledges in the next two months. If you can, please consider making a contribution.

Joan Huzar, Chair, Finance Committee. Members: Sandi Austin, Graeme Brown, David Buckman, Joel Hefty, Marilyn Kertoy, Alastair McCollum

SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey



“If love is the soul of Christian existence, it must be at the heart of every other Christian virtue. Thus, for example, justice without love is legalism; faith without love is ideology; hope without love is self-centeredness; forgiveness without love is self-abasement; fortitude without love is recklessness; generosity without love is extravagance; care without love is mere duty; fidelity without love is servitude. Every virtue is an expression of love. No virtue is really a virtue unless it is permeated, or informed, by love.”

~RICHARD ROHR

azquotes.com

Late have I loved you, beauty so old and so new: late have I loved you. And see, you were within and I was in the external world and sought you there, and in my unlovely state I plunged into those lovely created things which you made. You were with me, and I was not with you. The lovely things kept me far from you, though if they did not have their existence in you, they had no existence at all. You called and cried out loud and shattered my deafness. You were radiant and resplendent, you put to flight my blindness. You were fragrant, and I drew in my breath and now pant after you. I tasted you, and I feel but hunger and thirst for you. You touched me, and I am set on fire to attain the peace which is yours.

St. Augustine of Hippo, Confessions

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

STEWARDS

People's Warden: Graeme Brown
Associate Warden: Joan Huzar
Envelope Secretary: Jim Harlick

Rector's Warden: Chris Eve
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