

# THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

*The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

*July 7<sup>th</sup>, 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.

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VICTORIA  
PRIDE  
WEEK



**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. Gluten free wafers are available: 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**

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*The order of service is found on page 67 in the Book of Common Prayer*

Presider: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

# 9:30 am Parish Eucharist

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

**Presider:** The Reverend Bill Tarter

**Intercessor:** Kit Pearson

**Deacon:** The Reverend Patrick Sibley

**Verger:** Rand Harrison

**Sermon:** The Venerable Alastair McCollum

**Audio:** Bob McIntosh

**Readers:** Beryl Roundhill, Lorraine Gates

**Music:** St. John's Community Choir

*A Nursery for children aged 0 to 3 is available from 10 am until the start of the Eucharist.*

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## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 310)

MIT FREUDEN ZART

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

### PRAYERS OF PENITENCE 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.

**All: Amen.**

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Presider invites all to pray. Silence is kept.*

God,  
whose kingdom comes near:  
share with us the authority that sets others free  
and send us on the way of challenge and conversion;  
through Jesus, who empowers us.

**All: Amen.**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

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## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:1-14

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM

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O Lord my God, I will give you thanks\_\_\_ for e - ver.

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up and have not let my foes triumph over me. **Refrain**

O Lord my God, I cried out to you and you have healed me. You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit. **Refrain**

Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks to his holy name. For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime. Heaviness may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. **Refrain**

In my prosperity I said, 'I shall never be moved. You, Lord, of your goodness, have made my hill so strong.' Then you hid your face from me and I was utterly dismayed. **Refrain**

To you, O Lord, I cried; to the Lord I made my supplication: 'What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness? Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.' **Refrain**

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness; Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever. **Refrain**

### THE EPISTLE

Galatians 6:1-16

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

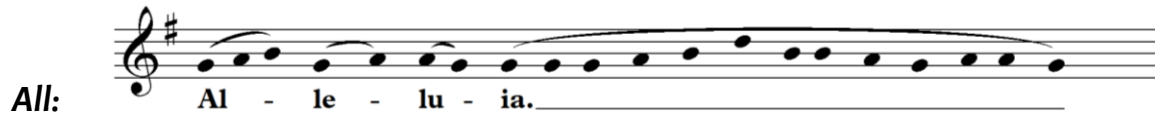
## THE GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

*Before the Gospel*



*Cantor:* Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts: let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.



The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

**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.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Please sit, stand or kneel as is your custom.*

## 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.*

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## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**OFFERTORY HYMN** (CP 486)

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## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.  
Through your goodness  
you have blessed us with these gifts:  
our selves, our time and our possessions.  
Use us, and what we have gathered,  
in feeding the world with your love,  
through the one who gave himself for us,  
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical notation is written on two staves. The first staff contains four measures of music, each with a vocal part label above it: *Priest:*, *All:*, *Priest:*, and *All:*. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al-so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The second staff contains two measures of music, each with a vocal part label above it: *Priest:* and *All:*. The lyrics are: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise."

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God,  
for you created all things.  
You formed us in your own image.  
When we turned away from you in sin,  
you did not cease to care for us  
but opened a path of salvation for all people.  
You made a covenant with Israel,  
and through your servants Abraham and Sarah  
gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.  
Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom;  
through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation.  
Therefore, with them, and with all your saints  
who have served you in every age,  
we give thanks and raise our voices  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

## SANCTUS

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise.  
In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ,  
to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us,  
to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.  
He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;  
he opened the eyes of the blind  
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom

to the poor and to those in need.  
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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.'

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice  
destroys the power of sin and death;  
by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection,  
and looking for his coming again in glory,  
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.  
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,  
That all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people,  
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,  
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is yours, almighty Father,  
now and for ever.



**All:**            **A men        A - men        A        -        men.**

Prayer 1, Book of Alternative Services

## **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.**

*All are invited to receive communion. 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 forward for communion 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.

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## **THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Gracious God,  
in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,  
and nourished us at your table with food and drink,  
the body and blood of Christ.

Now send us forth to be your people in the world,  
and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore,  
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and 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!

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN** (CP 467)

SONG 34

## **VOLUNTARY**

*You are invited to be seated for the Voluntary or to leave at this point.*

**No coffee today** in order to give those who wish to attend, time to get downtown to watch or participate in the Pride Parade.

**Evensong tonight**, at 7:30 pm, celebrates Pride. Dean Ansley Tucker will officiate; choral music is by Christ Church Cathedral choir and our own Choristers of St. John the Divine; the Reverend Patrick Sibley will preach.

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## **READINGS FOR JULY 14 – THE 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Amos 7:7-17** A humble prophet who keeps wishing he were back in his own country as herdsman and farmer uses the metaphor of the plumb line to describe God's judgment against Israel.

**Psalms 82** God insists on justice for the weak, lowly, and destitute.

**Colossians 1:1-14** Believers have been brought from darkness to Christ by God's grace, a grace that produces the fruit of good works and wisdom.

**Luke 10:25-37** Jesus challenges exclusionist attitudes with a parable in which the one thought to be unclean responds most faithfully.

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### **Sunday Mornings with Children**

During the summer we encourage young ones and their adults to experience worship! Don't worry about sounds and movement ... encourage curiosity and wonder! There will be some activities at the back table to keep little hands and minds busy during the service.



**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S**

**Today (PRIDE Sunday)**

11:00 am	Pride Parade	Government Street Church
7:30 pm	Pride Evensong	Church

**Monday 8**

12:30 pm	Pastoral Care Team Meeting	Denson Lounge
1:30 pm	The Divine Knitters	Denson Lounge

**Tuesday 9**

10:00 am	Food Bank	Church Basement
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**Wednesday 10**

7:45 am	Holy Communion followed by Breakfast	Chapel/Denson Lounge
9:30 am	Sermon Circle	Denson Lounge

**Thursday 11**

12:10 pm	Meditative Eucharist	Church
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**Friday 12**

10:00 am	Food Bank	Church Basement
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**Sunday 7**

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

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**EVENTS**



**Diviners' Walk – Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup> – meeting time is 5:30 pm** (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers): **Bellamy Trail, Thetis Lake** . Meet at the very end of Bellamy Road. Take Millstream past the big box stores, right on Treanor, left on Bellamy. **Pub:** Six Mile Pub, 494 Old Island Highway, 250-478-3121 or 328 Tap House and Grill, 328 Wale Road, Colwood, 250-940-1870. Please contact Larry Scyner if you plan to come for dinner but not the walk.



### **Sabina and Alastair's Wedding**

We are all invited on Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm and to the potluck reception to follow.

I asked Alastair what I should say if asked about gifts. Alastair's answer was, "Please, no need for gifts. We just hope everyone will come celebrate with us. If people felt they wanted to contribute for a honeymoon we would be very grateful. Sabina wants to go to India with me to meet her family."

If you would like to help with a non-tax receiptable donation, please make a cheque to "Anglican Church of St. John the Divine" with "Honeymoon Fund" in the memo line. Thanks for considering this.

If you are planning to come to the reception please sign up on the sheet provided at the garden door. **Be sure to mark down what you intend to bring (main or salad) and how many people will be attending.**

*Chris Eve, Rector's Warden*

### **Where do we go from here...**

Wondering what comes after we hear the results of the vote at General Synod 2019 to amend the Marriage Canon?

Let's join together in the hall for a facilitated community discussion on Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup> after coffee. Please bring a bag lunch.

## **Announcements**

**A Prayer Group** prays through the week; to request confidential prayers for yourself or others contact Pat Manning at: [patriciacmanning@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:carolann.zenger@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca).

### **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 a new initiative that helps youth who are renters in private rooms or suites. Threshold Housing Society was incorporated as a charitable society under the BC Societies Act in March 1990.



## The St. John the Divine, Art & Soul – 2019 Summer Arts Challenge

Calling all members of St. John's congregation and their friends. Share with us your summer creations. Children of all ages very welcome!

### ALL YOUR OWN WORK!

*Paintings, doodles, drawings, poems, paper, canvas, pastels, take-a-line-for-a-walk, prose, felt-tips, brush, pencils, fingers, straws, sticks, ink, mosaic, fabric, glass, original prints, sculptures, mixed media, collage ... etc.*

**The subject** should be something spiritual, or relating to church activities, perhaps a bible story or something on which to meditate.

A few ideas to get you going:

Favourite hymn	Messy church	Icon	The Creation
Noah's Ark	Holy Spirit	Garden of Eden	Lilies of the field
Love	Burning bush	Paradise Lost	Rainbow

Submit your favourite piece of artwork(s) to Gillian Barlow or Susan McCabe by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

We will have a Summer Art & Soul presentation one Sunday in early Fall (date, and other details, to be announced later). A PRIZE WILL BE GIVEN!

**The Ghebremeskel Family:** In our attempt to ensure that the family of 10 are settled successfully after the sponsorship ends in the middle of July, Hagos, the father, is looking for new employment or extra part time employment that will ensure the family can afford the rent in particular. His English is good, he is eager to do and earn more, and he is resourceful. If anyone knows of full or part time employment opportunities please contact Bob St. Clair at [bob.stclair@me.com](mailto:bob.stclair@me.com)

# SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey



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## THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

### STEWARDS

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