



**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 Reverend Bill Tarter

# 10:00 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 Canon Kevin Arndt

**Deacon:** The Reverend Patrick Sibley

**Sermon:** The Reverend Bill Tarter

**Readers:** Sandi Austin, John Bergbusch

**Intercessor:** Kit Pearson

**Verger:** Douwe Bosma

**Audio:** Bob McIntosh

**Music:** The Choristers of St. John the Divine,  
The Sutton Organ Scholar,

The MacRae Choral Scholars,

**The Mass Setting:** *Missa Secunda*,  
Hans Leo Haßler (c. 1564-1612)

*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

*The children are invited to gather at the back of the church and join in the procession.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 349)

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

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.**

### 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.**

## 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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## 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,



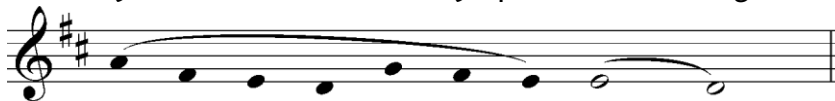
have mer - cy up - on us.

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'

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Merciful God,  
you seek us in the hidden places of our ignorance  
and in the forgotten corners of our despair.  
Gather us into your loving embrace,  
and pour upon us your wise and holy Spirit,  
so that we may become faithful servants  
in whom you rejoice with all the company of heaven.

All: Amen.

Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

# THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

## THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

Psalm 14

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.

Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?

See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous.

Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge.

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

## THE EPISTLE

1 Timothy 1:12-17

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## GRADUAL HYMN (CP 520)

DOMINUS REGIT ME

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

*Before the Gospel*



*Cantor:* Show us your mercy O Lord, and grant us your salvation.



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.*

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY HYMN (NEH 302)

SONG 1

### 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

Prayer 3, Book of Alternative Services

*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;  
you are the source of light and life for all your creation,  
you made us in your own image,  
and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
Therefore we praise you,  
joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**SANCTUS** *(sung by the choir)*

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.  
Osanna in excelsis.  
Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Osanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*


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.

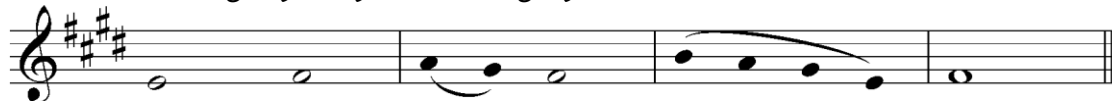
and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;  
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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 children;  
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

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 *Sung by the choir*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,      *Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,*  
miserere nobis.      *have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,      *Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,*  
dona nobis pacem.      *grant us peace.*

*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.

## MOTET DURING COMMUNION

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine:  
vere passum, immolatum  
in cruce pro homine:  
cuius latus perforatum  
unda fluxit sanguine:  
esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine.  
O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu, Fili Mariae.  
Amen.

*Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary:  
You who truly suffered and were sacrificed  
on the cross for the sake of man.  
From whose pierced flank  
flowed water and blood:  
Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death.  
O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary.  
Amen.*

Text: 14<sup>th</sup>-century Latin. / Music: William Byrd (1542-1623).

*Following the Communion there will be a pause for Silence.*

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## THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, 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.

**All: 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 393)

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.*

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## READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> – THE 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Jeremiah 8:18—9:1** The prophet is desolate. He sees no hope for the salvation of his people.

**Psalms 79:1-9** God is implored for merciful response.

**1 Timothy 2:1-7** The church is urged to pray for all people, including those who are not believers.

**Luke 16:1-13** Jesus' parable comments on the responsible use of possessions.

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### EVENTS

**Diviners' Walk – Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> – meeting time is 5:30 pm** (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers): **Millstream Creed**. Meet at 2<sup>nd</sup> trail marker on left between 2429 and 2439 Selwyn Road. Turn right off TCH northbound onto Millstream, right off Millstream to Treanor, right on Selwyn. **Pub:** Axe and Barrel (LogHouse Pub), 2323 Millstream Road., 778-433-6746.

If you wish to join us for the meal only, please let Larry know ahead of time.

There will be a **discussion** in the Denson Lounge after the 10am service **today**, regarding the next steps to **organizing a community event** to take the place of the Divine Brunch. All those who might be willing to contribute to arranging and/or running such an event are encouraged to come. More details in the coming weeks.

**The Book Study will begin again on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> in the Chapel at 2:00 pm.** We will begin discussing "The Four Vision Quests of Jesus" by Steven Charleston. Some books have been ordered and if you have not bought yours yet, please contact Pat Manning or Rhoda Brodie-Smith. Everyone is welcome. We anticipate a very engaging discussion of this book.

### Taizé Services for Autumn, 2019

September marks the 24<sup>th</sup> year of our own unique 'Pilgrimage of Trust' throughout the ecumenical churches in Victoria. The 2019-2020 **Music and Prayer in the Style of Taizé** highlights the encounter — first with the **United Church** (Sept - Nov at James Bay United), then with the **Lutheran Church** (Jan - March at Lutheran Church of the Cross) and the **Roman Catholic Church** (April – June at St. Andrew's Cathedral). All are welcome at James Bay United Church, 511 Michigan Street, at 6:00 pm **Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**. Come; discover the beauty of this faith community in the heart of James Bay.





### Movie Night –

This Wednesday evening, **September 18<sup>th</sup>**, Reel Thought will present our regular screening for September in the Denson Lounge at 700 pm:

***The Chorus (Les choristes)*** (France, Switzerland, Germany, 2004, 97 mins.)

<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt0372824/>

"The new teacher at a severely administered boys' boarding school works to positively affect the students' lives through music." - *IMDb*

The locale for this French-subtitled film is a locked, fortress-like school for poor boys from broken homes, WWII orphans, and juvenile delinquents, very Dickensian in feel. The principal of the school is a detestable man who abuses students and teachers equally. You've seen the plot before, of course, and some of the characters are "stock" sorts. But ... the lead, the teacher who "saves" the students by luring them into singing, is portrayed charmingly by Gerard Jugnot.

Mostly bald, a bit stocky, and no beauty, he is nonetheless disarming. The boy soprano, Jean-Baptiste Maunier, has a wonderful voice, and the chorus is splendid. Particularly fine was the score, almost entirely original, by Bruno Colais.

"I was looking for something inspiring on this bitter cold inaugural day in the U.S. *Les Choristes* made my spirit soar and reaffirmed that kindness, generosity of self, and the gift of music still have the power to change people's lives." - *babuon (IMDb)*

The critics were not universally kind to this movie, but we (Daryl and Mark) both have experience of the transformative and healing power of music and particularly the act of performing it, and as these are major themes of this movie it is dear to our hearts and we look forward to sharing it with you. It is an unashamed crowd-pleaser, and when it was released in France it grossed more at their box office than the blockbusters. It was nominated for the Best Foreign Film and Best Original Song Oscars in 2005, among many other nominations for directing, acting, score, sound and screenplay.

In French with English subtitles. The soundtrack, naturally, is sublime.

**Next month's Reel Thought** cannot be on the third Wednesday, due to a conflict booking the Denson Lounge, so it **will be on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**. From November through Lent next year we revert to our usual third Wednesday of each month, with the exception of December, which will be the second Wednesday.

## Safe Church Workshop at St. John's

Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 9am-12 Noon in the Denson Lounge.

**The purpose of the Safe Church Program** is to ensure that our parishes are places of safety and wholeness for those who come to us seeking the love of Christ, and to ensure that all of our volunteers, and employees are aware of their own personal safety and are equipped to manage their own personal risk.

To register: Contact the church office at 250-383-7169 or [admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca](mailto:admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca). There is also a sign-up sheet at the garden door.

**Registration closes this Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>.**

## THIS IS A REMINDER - ART & SOUL, SUMMER ART CHALLENGE

To members of St. John's congregation, children of all ages and their friends: share with us your summer creations! Please let Gillian Barlow, Susan McCabe or Carol-Ann know if you have work(s) to share with us. **We need to know numbers today.** We plan to have a Summer Art & Soul Challenge show next Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, **(please note change of date)** at coffee time in the Denson Lounge. Prizes will be awarded.

**Victoria Riding All Candidates Meeting** – Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at Christ Church Cathedral School, 912 Vancouver Street, 6:30-9:30 pm. Come hear Victoria riding Federal election Candidates discuss the issues. Everyone Welcome! Organized by: The Downtown Service Providers & The Greater Victoria Coalition to End Homelessness.



**Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm at St. John's  
GRAND ORCHESTRAL SUITES  
with Jeanne Lamon, director & violin**

*The legendary long-time music director of Toronto's Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra, Jeanne Lamon, leads Victoria Baroque in a selection of Grand Orchestral Suites and ravishing Concerti Grossi by Telemann, Mondonville, and Geminiani, and Haydn's Symphony No. 30 'Alleluia'.*

**Tickets:** \$30 / \$25 senior/ \$5 student & child, available at McPherson box office, Munro's Books, Ivy's Bookshop, at the coffee hour and at the door.

**Contact & info:** 250 590 9770, [victoria-baroque@shaw.ca](mailto:victoria-baroque@shaw.ca), [victoria-baroque.com](http://victoria-baroque.com)



## ORANGE SHIRT DAY SEPTEMBER 30

Join us in our diocesan-wide support of Orange Shirt Day and help raise awareness of the need for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope.

On **Sunday, September 29**, wear an orange shirt to church to honour residential school survivors and the children who did not survive Canada's painful residential school system.

**T-shirts can be purchased at** Cafe Fantastico on Quadra near Bay, Fernwood Yoga Den or any Big Wheel Burger location. Cost: \$20.



**St. John's Breakfast** in the Parish Hall on Sun., **Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-9:30 am** – pancakes, sausages, tea and coffee. This is a free breakfast. However, as it is Orange Shirt Day, donations are being accepted for The Anglican Healing Fund, which is working at the ongoing process of reconciliation and healing of relationships with First Nations. If you plan to attend please sign up on the sheet provided at the Garden Door so that we know how many to prepare for.

**Volunteers gratefully welcomed.**



Once again the Chancel Guild will be **decorating the church for Thanksgiving**. If you have any flowers, greenery, fruit or vegetables from your garden that you are willing to share for this purpose, please bring your donation to the church during the week or before 9:30am on Sat., Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>.

All donated fruits and vegetables go to the residents in St. John's Court or the food bank.

St John's Social Justice Action Group (**SJAG**) is an umbrella group for all the social justice activities in the parish. We meet as representatives from the Out of the Rain Youth Shelter, the food bank, PWRDF, the magazine "Let Justice Roll", our housing redevelopment project, Alliance Club cooking, refugee support, GVAT (Greater Victoria Acting Together), reconciliation with Indigenous neighbours, LGBTQ2s issues and many other activities. We share information, brain-storm new ideas, and support each other. We plan informative lectures and film nights for the coming year. Climate change is this year's hot topic.

SJAG welcomes newcomers interested in learning about what goes on at the heart of St John's. We meet once a month on a Thursday morning, 10:30-12 noon in the Denson Lounge (exactly which Thursday varies). Next meeting is Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Come and be inspired!

**St. Peter and St. Paul Anglican Church present South Island Harmony – Sat., October 5<sup>th</sup> at 2pm:** Join Southern Vancouver Island's only male voice a cappella chorus for an afternoon of harmony and song.

Tickets \$20 - Show time @ 2pm at St. Peter and St. Paul Anglican Church Esquimalt, 1379 Esquimalt Road. For more information and to purchase tickets please visit [www.stpeterandpaul.ca](http://www.stpeterandpaul.ca), email [admin@stpeterandpaul.ca](mailto:admin@stpeterandpaul.ca) or call the office at 250-686-6833.

**THE MAGIC BOAT**, by parishioner Kit Pearson, OC, and her partner, Kath Farris, has been shortlisted for the Victoria Children's Book Award.

The winner will be announced at the **Awards Gala on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>** at the Union Club, at 7:30 pm. You can get tickets (\$20) at Munro's, Ivy's, Russell Books and Bolen's.

### **Women's Autumn Weekend Retreat – Camp Pringle, October 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>.**

"God's Story in You"

Facilitator: The Right Reverend Logan McMenamie

Spiritual Leader: The Venerable Dawna Wall

(Registration deadline Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>) Cost \$200.00 – Shared Accommodation only left.

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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](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: [admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca](mailto:admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca).



**Sunday Morning Nursery** - This is provided for children aged 0-3 years. It is staffed by two adults. It is accessed through the door near the pulpit, leading towards the church office. Please pass this information on to people you know, who may want to attend church, but feel deterred because they have small children with them.

**The Special Blue Envelope for September is for the Food Bank at St. John's.** The Food Bank at St. John's provides staple food items to those in need in our community.

**Vergers Needed:** If you think you might like to be a Verger but not quite sure what they do, please contact Chuck Neilson.

### **Let Justice Roll Newsletter**

The Fall Issue (#7) of "Let Justice Roll" has just rolled off the press! It is available now, free to all interested St. John's members. This issue's central theme is Climate Change! It also features an interview with esteemed St. John's parishioner Ted Hughes, as well as an editorial on the Synod Meeting/Marriage Canon by Reverend Bill Tarter! This LJR also includes a special tribute to L'Arche founder Jean Vanier. The quarterly newsletter is a project of the St. John's Social Justice and Action Group (SJAG). Pick-up your copy at either entrance to the Sanctuary, or outside the Church Office.

An **endowment fund** has been created by the Senior Residents of the Cridge Centre for the Family that will provide an **annual \$1,000 bursary for an indigenous student** enrolled in an approved program to upgrade their skills and employability. The hope is to raise \$25,000 with the Cridge Centre matching the first \$5K. This will create an annual \$1,000 bursary in perpetuity. Please see Marcia Williams for any questions you might have.

**A reminder to all** who use the Parish House kitchen and Denson Lounge, to please clean up after yourselves and after all meetings. Unfortunately there is no kitchen angel to come and do this for us.

### Notes about Music

**Our choral programme resumes today!** The Choristers of St John the Divine sing at this morning's service, while the first Sunday for the Community Choir will be October 6th.



Our **MacRae Choral Scholars** for this year are sopranos **Kyla Fradette** (UVic) and **Anne van der Sloot** (VCM); alto **Aniela Erzinger** (VCM); tenor **Anton Sokalski** (UVic), and bass **Felix Butterfield** (UVic). We also welcome **Emily Markwart**, a fourth-year piano student at UVic, to the Sutton Organ Scholarship. Kyla, Anne, and Felix have sung with us already, but Aniela, Anton, and Emily are new to the Choristers and to St John's – do make them welcome!



**The Choristers in particular are seeking a few more voices this season, especially basses or tenors!**

Do you know someone who would love to sing great sacred choral music in its proper liturgical context, who has ensemble experience, and who reads music quite well? Maybe that's even you? Or maybe it's a student (high school or university) in your family or amongst your friends - there are modest bursaries available for students who are accepted to sing with the Choristers.

Get in touch with David at [sjdchoirs@gmail.com](mailto:sjdchoirs@gmail.com) to find out more!

# SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey.

**The John Albert Hall Lecture Series presents** this six-part BBC-TV series.

Includes facilitated discussions and live interaction with Professor Diarmaid MacCulloch

Admission is free

## **Saturday September 21, 9:00 am – Noon**

Holy Cross Catholic Parish, 4049 Gordon Head Rd

Episode 5: Protestantism: The Evangelical Explosion

Episode 6: God in the Dock

## **Saturday October 5, 9:30 am – 11:30 am**

Christ Church Cathedral, Quadra Street & Rockland Avenue

Join Diarmaid MacCulloch in person for a wide-ranging conversation about his book, the TV series, and other topics of historical and contemporary interest.

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## **Wonderful Wednesdays (and Thursdays, too!) at St. George's Church in Cadboro Bay**

St. George's is excited to announce the 2019 Fall Series:

Wednesday Morning Sessions:

9:30 am – Tea and Treats

10:00 am Speaker Presentation

Thursday Evening Sessions

7:00 pm – Speaker Presentation

Refreshments to follow

**Wed, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 10am** – Glenys Verhulst, "Saanich Climate Action Plan"

**Thurs, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** – Dr. Trevor Hancock, "Welcome to the Anthropocene: Towards a One Planet Region"

**Wed, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am** – Elena Dopfer, "Climate Friendly Home"

**Thurs, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** – Diana Gibson, "Social Justice in a One Planet Region – Cost and Benefits for Vulnerable Populations"

**Wed, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10am** – Dr. Matt Murphy, "Sustainable Investing: Strategies, Tools, and Evidence"

**Thurs, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm** – Dr. Rick Kool, "Environmental Violence: Trying to Understand, Confront, and Reduce Our Damage"

## **Exploring the Way of the Heart**

*An Interspiritual Conversation with Matthew Wright*

**Monday September 23rd at 7pm**

**UVic Interfaith Chapel**

Our great spiritual traditions have often described the heart as *an organ of spiritual perception* - an "eye" by which we see from oneness. The heart reads reality from wholeness and relationship, opening us to a world of beauty, tenderness and love.

### **How do we awaken the heart?**

Join us for an interspiritual conversation as we explore the Path of the Heart through three primary doorways: the teachings of Sufi, Christian and Hindu mystics.

By donation. For more information: [www.contemplative.org](http://www.contemplative.org)

## **The 4 Ws of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John**



All who read the gospels are faced with the following questions:

- **Why were they written?**
  - **Who wrote them?**
  - **When were they written?**
- **What is their significance for our modern age**

You are invited to join a group on Wednesday evenings in October where answers to these questions will be offered by five presenters, a different presenter each week, all of whom have a sound knowledge of the gospels

**Where: St. Mary's Church, Metchosin**

**When: October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

**Time: 6.00pm – 6.30pm a light supper**

**6.30pm - 8.00pm presentation and discussion**

**Cost: A freewill offering to cover supper and handouts**

Presenters :

John Gram, Kem Luther, Alastair McCollum, Aneeta Saroop,  
Philip Wadham

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