

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

Remembrance Sunday

November 10, 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 lands of the Lekwungen speaking people.

We are an inclusive and affirming parish; the sacraments of the church (ex. baptism, communion and marriage) are available to all people on equal terms. Christ welcomes you, and so do we.

*We will
remember them*



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

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

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

Presider: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

Sub-Deacon: Matthew Cook

Readers: Judith Branion, Doug Henderson

Gospel: Matthew Cook

Sermon: The Reverend Bill Tarter

Intercessor: Lorraine Gates

Audio: Bob MacIntosh

Verger: David Pupak

Music: The Choristers of St. John the Divine,
The Sutton Organ Scholar, The MacRae Choral Scholars;
David Barss, trumpet.

The Mass Setting: Missa Brevis IV, Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

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

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

O Canada!

The presiding minister reads the following sentence.

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice,
and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

Micah 6:8

REMEMBERING

We meet in the presence of God,
to commit ourselves to work
for reconciliation between the nations,
that all people may, together,
live in freedom, justice and peace.

We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow
those whose lives, in conflicts past and present,
have been given and taken away.

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old;
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them.

read by Doug Henderson

All: We will remember them.

The Last Post

Silence is kept.

Reveille

The wreaths are laid at the high altar.

The Book of Remembrance is presented.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 567)

MELITA

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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray. Silence is kept.

Ever-living God,
we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war
into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Haggai 1:15b—2:9

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

145:1-5, 18-22

I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your name for ever and ever.
Every day will I bless you and praise your name for ever and ever.
Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.
One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.
I will ponder the glorious splendour of your majesty and all your marvellous works.
The Lord is righteous in all his ways and loving in all his works.
The Lord is near to those who call upon him, to all who call upon him faithfully.

He fulfils the desire of those who fear him, he hears their cry and helps them.
The Lord preserves all those who love him, but he destroys all the wicked.
My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord; let all flesh bless his holy name for ever
and ever.

THE EPISTLE

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN (NEH 114)

DARWALL

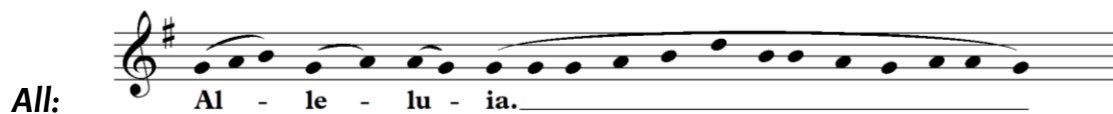
THE GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38

Before the Gospel



Cantor: Jesus Christ is the first-born of the dead; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.



All: God is with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Christ.

After the Gospel

The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, O 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 Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

All may offer their neighbour a sign of peace.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN (CP 116)

IRISH

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

The_ Lord be_ with_ you. **All: And al-so with you.** 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
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who on this first day of the week
overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.
In our unending joy
we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven
as we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.*

*Blessed is he that cometh 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.

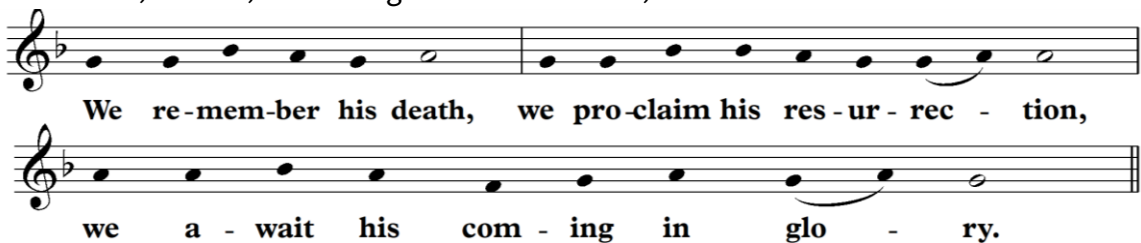
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

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 COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy 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.

ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee.
Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.
For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will wish thee prosperity.
Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do thee good.

Text: Ps 122. / Music: John Blow (1649-1708).

Following the Communion there will be a pause for silence.

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

RESPONDING IN HOPE AND COMMITMENT

The children's candle is brought forward.

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All: We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All: We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All: We will.

Merciful God, we offer to you
the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love:
may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people,
and live lives of justice, courage and mercy;
through Jesus Christ, our risen redeemer.

All: Amen.

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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

All: Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN (CP 575)

THAXTED

VOLUNTARY Edward Elgar: 'Nimrod' from the *Enigma Variations*

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 NOVEMBER 17TH – THE 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Isaiah 65:17-25 A vision of a new heaven and a new earth offers hope in a difficult and troubled time.

Isaiah 12:2-6 This song of praise heralds God as strength, shield, and source of saving power.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 The challenge is to build Christian communities in which all bring everything they can and receive everything they need.

Luke 21:5-19 Jesus warns his disciples against idle speculation about the future and urges them to live with confidence in the present.

FLOWERS

Given to the glory to God and in loving memory of our dear friend Alice Denson, so many wonderful memories, from Marilyn Moody and family.

Office Hours 9am – 12 Noon Monday to Friday

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Today

11:45 am Sunday Reflections Denson Lounge

Monday 11

The office is closed for Remembrance Day.

Tuesday 12

1:30 pm The Divine Knitters Denson Lounge
2:00 pm ACW Meeting Vestry

Wednesday 13

7:45 am Holy Communion followed by Breakfast Chapel/Denson Lounge
9:30 am Sermon Circle Denson Lounge
12 Noon Art & Soul Drop-In Group Church Basement
7:00 pm End of Life Series Denson Lounge

Thursday 14

12:10 pm Meditative Eucharist Chapel

Friday 15

10:00 am Food Bank Church Basement

Sunday 17

8:00 am Holy Communion Chapel
10:00 am Parish Eucharist Church
11:30 am Potluck Brunch Hall
2:00 pm Pflag Denson Lounge
7:00 pm 3rd Sunday Liturgy for All Ages Church
soup (at 6:30 pm) for the belly - story and song for the soul

EVENTS

In The Midst of Life...

we are in death

A series about finding meaning towards the end of life. Wednesdays in November, all starting at **7pm** in the Denson Lounge

November 13th – When It's All Over, It All Goes Back In the Box

Led by Alastair McCollum

A presentation and discussion on considering how we make the most of our days, whatever stage of life we find ourselves at. What does making meaning mean? How can we engage in more mindful living? Can reflecting on our mortality sharpen our sense of living?

November 20th – Reel Thought Movie Night

Led by Mark Hanson and Daryl Hardin

An appropriate movie to help us engage with life, death, and everything in between.

November 27th – Dead Serious

Led by Alastair McCollum

Practicalities and priorities – we will have a speaker talk on Legalities around issues for seniors, along with advice from Clergy on planning for Funeral/Thanksgiving/Memorial services

For further details please get in touch with Alastair – incumbent@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca

Music and Prayer in the Style of Taizé continues at James Bay United Church, 511 Michigan Street, at 6:00 pm, Friday, November 15th. All are welcome. This is the last Taizé service for 2019. Taizé resumes in January at Lutheran Church of the Cross.

Next Brunch Day is next Sunday, November 17th – Parish Potluck

Please come join us and bring what you can - if you are able to sign up and let us know what type of dish you would like to bring, please mark it on the sheet at the garden door or contact Carol-Ann. It is important to have an idea of how many people are coming so that we have enough seating for everyone.

First Met United Church, KAIROS Victoria & Aboriginal Neighbours
invite you to take part in a
KAIROS Blanket Exercise
on Sunday, November 17th, 1:30-3:30 pm
First Met United Church, 932 Balmoral Road
\$5-\$15 sliding participant fee
register through First Me website - <https://www.firstmetvictoria.com/>
Come at noon and enjoy a bowl of soup for a small charge.

A Truth and Reconciliation film screening, presented by the Downtown Residents Association in collaboration with the Alliance of Aboriginal Media Professionals and the Victoria Film Festival, will take place Sunday, November 17th, 2:00 pm, at the Vic Theatre. The films to be screened are:

- **Our Voices, Our Stories** (2016), directed by Barb Cranmer and produced on the occasion of the St. Michael's residential school demolition in 'Yalis (Alert Bay). Barb Cranmer was one of the most prolific and acclaimed Indigenous documentary filmmakers of her generation. Her films have been screened at festivals throughout the world, including the prestigious Sundance Festival, the Victoria Film Festival, the celebrated American Indian Film Festival in San Francisco where they won numerous awards.
- **All Our Relations** (2019) – World premiere of Barbara Todd Hager's new APTN documentary series on Indigenous history and genealogy featuring a 22 minute episode about Barb Cranmer and her family.
- Further information about the films and to access Evenbrite go to: <https://victoriadra.ca/event/indigenous-reconciliation-documentary-screening/>.



**Sunday, November 24th, 7:30pm
at St. John the Divine**

**"Glory in the Highest"
with the St. John's Chamber Singers
directed by David Stratkauskas**

**Bach: Cantata BWV 147 (with "Jesu, joy of Man's desiring")
Lotti: Missa Sapientiae**

Soloists: Kyla Fradette & Anne van der Sloot, soprano; Alana Hayes, mezzo;
Isaiah Bell, tenor; Kyron Basu, baritone

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

Contact & info: 250 590 9770, victoria-baroque@shaw.ca, victoria-baroque.com

St. John's Social Justice and Action Group
presents

Climate Crisis- The Call to Action NOW

a presentation by an ecological educator and advocate with extensive knowledge of the problem
and organizing to address it, followed by discussion

Thursday, December 5, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

"Environmental Violence: Trying to Understand, Confront, and Reduce our Damages"
a talk by Dr. Rick Kool, Professor of Environment and Sustainability, Royal Roads University
Denson Lounge. Tea, coffee and cookies will be served.

A **memorial service** will be held for Brenda Morton on Sunday, December 8th at 2:00 pm.



"THE CHRISTMAS FLOWER" - Poinsettias are now available to make our church look even more beautiful at Christmas. Please consider making a dedication. Cost: \$10 per plant, available until Fri., Dec.9th. Contact Carol-Ann in the church office (admin@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca or 250-383-7169 ext. 226) to order a poinsettia and give a dedication. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS



Sunday, December 15th after the 10:00 am service.
Please contribute Christmas "delights" for this fund raising event.
Contact Heather Baker at 250-382-9693 or hbaker@islandnet.com
if you have any questions.

Announcements

AWE – All Weather Eucharist

Every Monday 1pm in the Memorial Garden!

Please note there will not be a service this Monday (Remembrance Day).

A very simple Eucharist (20 minutes) to pray and be present beyond our walls!

Come and join us, and dress for the weather!

A Prayer Group prays through the week; to request confidential prayers for yourself or others contact Pat Manning (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.

Some thoughts about our Worship Pattern

In consultation and conversation we are wondering about changing a little of the shape of our midweek worshipping pattern and adding 'more texture' to what is on offer. As such, I would like to propose that we consider the following pattern and would be grateful for any feedback you all would like to give (send to incumbent@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca) – depending on the feedback, this new pattern would start a three month experimental run beginning on 2nd December this year – the first week of Advent, the New Church Year, seemed a good time to start some new things!

- Our new Monday Eucharist would continue, outside, rain or shine at 1pm (it lasts about 20 minutes and is very simple)
- Our Meditative Eucharist would move from Thursdays at 12.10pm to Tuesdays at 12.10pm
- Our Wednesday Eucharist followed by Breakfast would remain at 7.45am
- We would begin a new Thursday Evening Simple Eucharist at 5.30pm followed by Soup and a simple snack. A chance to come to share Eucharist after work or the day's activities are (nearly) done

I'd also be interested in gathering regularly for Morning, Midday or Evening Prayers during the week, a simple service based on the Office of the Anglican Church – probably 15-30 minutes altogether. If there is any interest in that, please let me know on the above email address, or call, or drop a note to the office, and say what times and what days would be good for you.

Thank you, Alastair

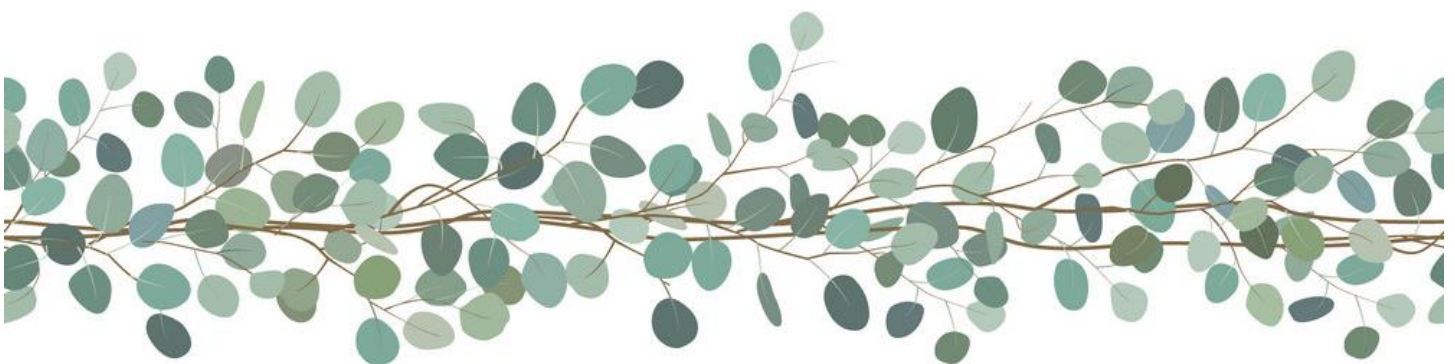
The Special Blue Envelope for November is Aboriginal Neighbours

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 RIL 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.

Parking: Following the demolition of the cottage, Parish Council decided to recoup some of the cost of the demolition by renting more parking spots. There are now 12 rented spots in the main parking lot adjacent to the Girl Guides property which are clearly marked with signs on the concrete parking curbs. Those parking spots are rented Monday to Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm. They are available for use by parishioners and visitors at all other times. Those parking spots bring us income of over \$1,000 per month.

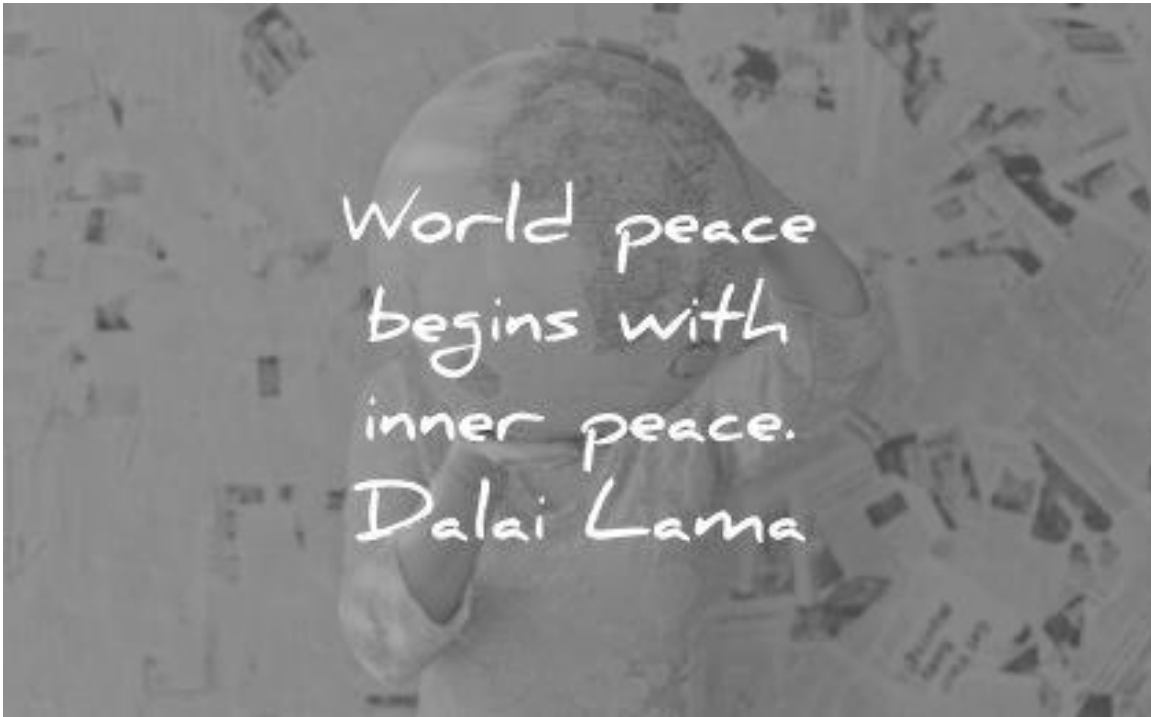
PWRDF MOMENT!

The **PWRDF Christmas Cards** have arrived. Pat and Murray will be selling these at coffee hour - from this Sunday until mid-December. A \$20 donation buys you 12 cards. There are two lovely designs to choose from. All proceeds go towards supporting PWRDF's excellent community development programs in the developing world and Canada!



SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey.



"I refuse to accept the view that humankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that the bright daybreak of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality... I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word."

-Martin Luther King Jr.

I many times thought Peace had come

I many times thought Peace had come
When Peace was far away—
As Wrecked Men—deem they sight the Land—
At Centre of the Sea—

And struggle slacker—but to prove
As hopelessly as I—
How many the fictitious Shores—
Before the Harbor be—

Emily Dickinson

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

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