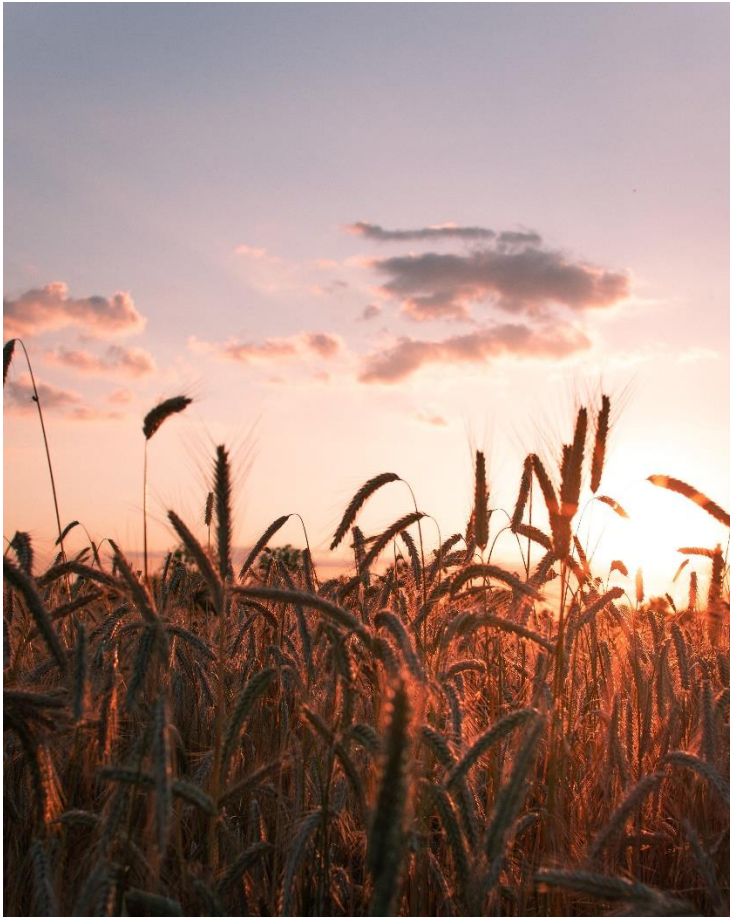


The Anglican Parish of St. Peter and St. Paul

September 25th 2022

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



The Burning Bush

**SEASON OF
CREATION 2022**

Listen to the voice of Creation

Prelude

Words of Welcome *(Please stand as clergy enters)*

Musical opening CP 429 For the Beauty of the Earth

(alt tune Dix 160) (Text Follitt Sanford Pierpoint; music: Konrad Kocher)

*For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

*For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

*For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

*For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

*For each perfect gift of thine to people so freely given,
graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Christ our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.*

The Gathering of the Community

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,
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 (sung)

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace on earth Peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you, we bless You
We adore you, we glorify You
We give you thanks,
For your great glory.
Lord God heavenly King,
O God Almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.
You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
You take away the sins of the world,
Receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand
The right hand of the Father
Have mercy on us.**

For you alone are the Holy One

**You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the most High,
Jesus Christ.
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory
Of God the Father.**

**Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace on earth Peace to people of good will.**

Amen, Amen.

Kyrie (sung)

**Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy, have mercy on us.**

**Kyrie Eleison
Christie Eleison
Kyrie Eleison, eleison**

**Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy, have mercy on us.**

Renewing our commitment

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?"

I will, with God's help.

Let us pray,

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Reading One: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Zedekiah had said, 'Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord: I am going to give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it; Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours.' Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord, ‘My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust.’

For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler
and from the deadly pestilence;
he will cover you with his pinions,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

You will not fear the terror of the night,

or the arrow that flies by day,
or the pestilence that stalks in darkness,
or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.
When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honour them.
With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

Reading Two: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

A reading from the letter to Timothy.

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many

witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn CP 457 Alleluia! Glory to God

(Text; Marty Haugen (1950-) Music:airs su les hymns sacrez, odes and noels, 1623. GIA Publications Inc One License).

Refrain:

Alleluia alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to God who does wondrous things

Let all the people God's praises now sing,

All of creation in splendour shall ring: Alleluia! (refrain)

*See how salvation for all has been won
Up from the grave our new life has begun
Life now perfected in Jesus, the Son: Alleluia! (refrain)*

*Now in our presence the Lord will appear,
Shine in the faces of all of us here,
Fill us with joy and cast out all our fear: Alleluia! (refrain)*

Gospel Reading: Luke 16:19-31

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been

fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.” He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” Abraham replied, “They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.” He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.”’

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn: CP 457 Alleluia! Glory to God

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Refrain:

Alleluia alleluia, alleluia!

Call us, Good Shepherd we listen for you

Wanting to see you in all that we do,

We would the gate of salvation pass through: Alleluia! (refrain)

Lord, we are open to all that you say,

Ready to listen and follow your way,

You are the potter and we are the clay: Alleluia! (refrain)

If we have love then we dwell in the Lord,

God will protect us from fire and sword

Fill us with love and the peace of his word: Alleluia! (refrain)

Sermon: *The Rev. Gail Rodger*

Musical Moment

Announcements

Hear O Israel (*please stand*)

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.**

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
welcoming of sinners and inviting us to table. Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness. (*Silence is kept*)

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and
deed,**

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved
our neighbours as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and
forgive us,
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the
glory of your name.**

(Please stand)

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Hymn: CP 403 Let All Things Now Living (please be seated)

((Text: Katherine K. Davis (1892-1980), melody Welsh Traditional. C 1939 E.C. Schirmer Music Co. CCLI)

*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God the creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
who still guides us on to the end of our days.
Love's banners are o'er us; God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into Light.*

*God's law still enforces the stars in their courses
and causes the sun in its splendour to shine;
the hills and mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean in praises combine.*

*We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
“To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!”*

Prayer over the Gifts:

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer *(Please stand)*

(Book of Alternative Services EP4 p201)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,

you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this

fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, “Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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.”

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (*Stand, Sit or kneel as your custom*)

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains have been gathered and made into this one bread

So may your faithful be gathered from the ends of the earth in your kingdom.

The table of love is offered for all people. It is Christ who invites us to meet love incarnate here, and all are welcome.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thank be to God.

The Communion

(Communion will be offered from a standing position in front of the choir pews. It will be offered in one kind (bread only). It is the belief within the Anglican Church that receiving in one kind is considered full communion. If receiving, please walk single file on the right to the front. Remove mask and sanitize your hands just prior to receiving and re-mask to return to your seat. Responses to receiving the host include: Amen: Hallelujah; or Thanks be to God.)

Instrumental musical selections during communion

Prayer after Communion (please stand)

Let us pray,

Great Creator, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Doxology

Glory to God,

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.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Musical Sending CP 575 Let Streams of Living Justice

(Text: William Whitla (1934-) Music Gustav Holst (1874-1967) J Curwen and Songs Ltd. One License.)

Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth.

Give freedom's light to captives; let all the poor have worth.

The hungry's hands are pleading; the workers claim their rights,

The mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.

Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power.

Abolish ancient vengeance. Proclaim your people's hour.

For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end.

*For love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together: knit our lives as they are spun.
On your loom of time enrol us till the thread of life is run.
O great Weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one.
Dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.*

*Your city's built for music: we are the stones you seek.
Your harmony is language. We are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service, our hope in other's dreams.
Our love in hand of neighbour. Our homeland brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice, your way – the path untried:
Your truth – the heart of stranger, your life – the Crucified.*

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Weekly Cycles of Prayer

We pray for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia; for Linda Nicholls, our Primate; Bishop Sidney Black, the interim National Indigenous Archbishop; Diocese of Ottawa, Bishop Shane Parker; and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada.

In our diocese, we pray for our bishop, the Right Reverend Anna Greenwood Lee; Saint Philip, Victoria, Rev Canon Peter Parker.

In our region, we pray for Christ Church Cathedral; The Very Rev Ansley Tucker and The Rev Ross Bliss.

In our parish we pray for: Karen Martin; Janet McDonald; Dale and Marge McIntosh; and Joseph Motuz.

In our community we pray for Our Place Society, The Mustard Seed and those experiencing homelessness in our society.

For the month of September we pray for our upcoming autumn food drive.

Territorial Acknowledgement

We worship on the traditional lands of the Esquimalt, Songhees and other Nations of the Salish and Coast Salish Peoples. We, who came from many lands to join the line of those worshipping here, commit our Church to continue the journey of truth and reconciliation with our First Nations' neighbours.

Welcome to all those visiting us at St. Peter and St. Paul.

We welcome saints, seekers and sinners as we live into a life in Christ, learning about and from one another as we worship God together. Christ binds us together in love through our diversity. If you are comfortable, please give us your name and address so we can add you to our weekly prayer list. We are looking forward to getting to know you better.

Washrooms are found in the hall, up the stairs, on the right.



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