

The Anglican Parish of  
St. Peter and St. Paul  
November 13th 2022  
Home Church Connections Service  
Remembrance Sunday



“Nourishing Faith and Community”

## Words of Welcome

### 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**

Let us pray,

God of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### Invocation and Opening Prayer for Remembrance

In God's name, we come together on this Remembrance Sunday to give thanks to God and to commemorate all who have served their country, especially in time of war, and, in particular, those who made the supreme sacrifice. We have also come to pray for peace, for

justice and goodwill among all people, and to dedicate ourselves anew to remove the causes which give rise to war.

Let us pray,

**We thank you almighty God for all your mercies, known and unknown; for your guidance of your people in wondrous ways throughout our history; for the courage, bravery and constancy of sailors, soldiers, and air personnel; for the devotion and fortitude of men, women and children. We pray that we may be worthy of peace, and show forth our thanks by serving you more faithfully – through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### The Proclamation of the Word

#### Reading One: Wisdom 3:1-9

A reading from the book of wisdom.

*But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the*

*faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.*

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 116:1-8

*I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.*

*Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.*

*The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;*

*I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord. O Lord, I pray, save my life!’*

*Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.*

*The Lord protects the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.*

*Return, O my soul, to your rest, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.*

*For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.*

Reading Two: 1 Peter 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.*

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading: John 6:37-40

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all*

*that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'*

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reading

*Into Battle a poem written by Julian Grenfell*

Homily: *The Rev Gail Rodger*

Announcements

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,**

**and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshipped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gracious God, alone we can do nothing, but through your loving sacrifice, receive all we offer you this day, in the name of Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers For Remembrance Day Commendation

Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for friends. The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. They are in peace. I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, write; from henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Even so, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labours.

Let us pray,

**Unto you, Holy God, be praise and thanksgiving, for all who have been faithful unto death; into your compassionate keeping we commend their souls, beseeching you to grant that for all of us for whom they died, their love and devotion may bear fruit in more abundant love for others, through the One who by his death has destroyed death, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

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.

**We will remember them**

The Lord's Prayer

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



**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. 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 be in your heart  
The grace of God be in your words  
The love of God be in your hands  
The joy of God be in your soul  
and in the song that your life sings.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Alpha and Omega of all space and time, Jesus Christ, the love incarnate in the world, and the ever-present Holy Spirit journey with you today and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

### **Dismissal:**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

We pray for The Anglican Church in Central America; for Linda Nicholls, our Primate; Bishop Sidney Black, the interim National Indigenous Archbishop; Diocese of Toronto, Bishop Andrew Asbil; and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada.

In our diocese, we pray for our bishop, the Right Reverend Anna Greenwood Lee; St John the Divine, The Venerable Alastair Singh-McCollum, The Rev. Dr. John Thatamanil, The Rev. Stephanie Wood.

In our region, we pray for St Mattias Victoria, The Rev. Colleen Lassimer.

In our parish we pray for: Cathy Carphin; Wendy Clapp; Shirley Corbett; Noel and Marina Crawford.

In our community we pray for the Rainbow Kitchen, and those who are hungry in our society.

For the month of November we pray for our Christmas gift card program.

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.

### 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.

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