

The Anglican Parish of
St. Peter and St. Paul
June 21st 2026
National Indigenous Day of
Prayer



Nourishing Faith
and Community

Prelude

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

Opening Hymn: CP317 Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah

(Text Psalm 148 Music William James Kirkpatrick (1838-1921; public domain)



*Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah,
from the heavens praise God's name;
praise the Lord, our great Creator;
all you angels, praise proclaim.
All you hosts, together praising,
sun and moon and stars on high;
praise the Lord, O heavens of heavens,
and the floods above the sky.*

Refrain:

***Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah,
for God's name alone is high,
and God's glory is exalted,
and God's glory is exalted,
and God's glory is exalted,
far above the earth and sky.***

*Let them praise the Lord their maker:
they were made at God's command,
who established them forever,
whose decree shall ever stand.
Let the earth sing hallelujah,
raging seas, you monsters all,*

*fire and hail and snow and vapours,
stormy winds that hear God's call. **Refrain***

*All you fruitful trees and cedars,
every hill and mountain high,
creeping things and beasts and cattle,
birds that in the heavens fly,
kings of earth and all you people,
princes great, earth's judges all:
praise God's name, young men and maidens,
aged men, and children small. **Refrain***

The Gathering of the Community

In this time and place we gather on the ancestral lands the Lekwungen speaking people, of our Esquimalt, Songhees and Coast Salish First Nation companions.

From many places and peoples we come to this house in prayer.

In this time and place we gather in the name of the living God.

We meet in the presence of Jesus Christ, risen and alive.

In this time and in this space we gather with the community of faith around the globe and across the ages.

In this time and space heaven and earth are

one.

In this time and space we are not alone, but one in Christ.

Knit together in the unity of the Spirit.

In this time and place, we are hallowed, expectant, one people in God.

In the name of the Holy and Blessed One, Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gloria (sung)

**Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, glory to God on high,
Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, glory to God on high,
and on earth, peace to God's people,
glory to God,
and on earth, peace to God's people,
glory to God.**

Kyrie (sung)

**In peace, in peace, let us pray to the...
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have
mercy**

**For the reign of God, and for peace throughout
the world,**

**For the unity of all,
let us pray to the....**

**Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy**

**For your people here who have come to give you
praise,
For the strength to live your Word,
let us pray to the....
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy**

Let us pray,
Creator God, from you every family in heaven and
earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded
us in your covenant love, and empowered us by
your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in
your way towards justice and wholeness.
Mercifully grant that your people, journeying
together in partnership, may be strengthened and
guided to help one another to grow into the full
stature of Christ, who is our light and our life.
Amen. *(please be seated)*

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 40:25-31

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

*To whom then will you compare me,
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.
Lift up your eyes on high and see:*

*Who created these?
He who brings out their host and numbers them,
calling them all by name;
because he is great in strength,
mighty in power,
not one is missing.*

*Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
'My way is hidden from the Lord,
and my right is disregarded by my God'?*
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
*The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.*
*He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.*
*He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.*
*Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;*
*but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their
strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.*

Hear what the Spirit is saying.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
yet their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom from his
wedding canopy,
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them;
and nothing is hidden from its heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the decrees of the Lord are sure,
making wise the simple;
the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear,
enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the Lord is pure,
enduring for ever;
the ordinances of the Lord are true
and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey,
and drippings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

But who can detect their errors?

Clear me from hidden faults.

Keep back your servant also from the insolent;
do not let them have dominion over me.

Then I shall be blameless,
and innocent of great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of
my heart

be acceptable to you,

O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-9

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians.

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say,
Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone.
The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but
in everything by prayer and supplication with
thanksgiving let your requests be made known to
God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all
understanding, will guard your hearts and your
minds in Christ Jesus.*

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: CP408 Wind Upon the Waters
(Text and Music; Marty Haugen; 1986 GIA Publications one license 16223)

*Wind upon the waters,
voice upon the deep;
rouse your sons and daughters,
wake us from our sleep.
Breathing life into all flesh,
breathing love into all hearts,
Living wind upon the waters of my soul.*

*Showers from the heaven,
water from the earth;
Gift so wholly given,
source of every birth.
Joy of every living thing,
making all creation sing,
Shower down upon the dry earth of my soul.*

*Rock and hill and garden,
wood and desert sand;
Prairie, field and meadow,
shaped by Love's own hand.
Love that fills the world around,
springing up from barren ground,
Grow your love within the garden of my soul.*

Gospel Reading: John 1:1-18

God be with you.
And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus according to John.
Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone,

was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me."') From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn: CP408 Wind Upon the Waters

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*Blazing light of wonder,
flame that pierces night;
Burst the dark asunder,*

*fill our souls with light.
Lord of glory, fill the skies,
make an end to hatred's cries,
Be the blazing Sun of justice in our lives.*

*Wind upon the waters,
rains upon the sand,
Grace your sons and daughters,
newborn by your hand.
Come, O Spirit and renew
all the life that comes from you,
Send your winds upon the waters of my soul.*

Sermon *The Rev. Gail Rodger*
Musical Moment for reflection
Announcements

(please stand)

Affirmation of Faith

**We believe and trust in God the Father
Almighty.**

We believe and trust in Jesus Christ, his Son.

We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit.

We believe and trust in the Three in One.

(from Creating Uncommon Worship by Richard Giles)

Prayers of the People

Prayers of Confession and Assurance

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.

Holy and gracious One: forgive our sins.

The ones we can remember, and those we have forgotten.

Forgive the wrong actions we have committed, and the right actions we have avoided.

Forgive the times we have been weak, unkind or judgmental and failed to live out your kingdom call to justice and love.

Forgive the lies we have told, the truths we have avoided and the pain we have caused others.

Creator of all, have mercy on us, and make us whole.

(Early Irish (adapted from A Celtic Primer p. 95))

May Almighty God,

who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(from New Patterns for Worship Church of England)

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you!

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

(please be seated for this hymn)

Hymn: CP 531 You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord (Text: Psalm 91; Para. Michael Joncas (1951-) 1979 New Dawn Music Oregon Catholica Press, One license)

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord: “My Refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!”*

Refrain:

*And he will raise you up on eagle’s wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.*

*Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield. **Refrain***

*You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come. **Refrain***

For to his angels he’s given a command

*to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain*

(Our offering plate is not passed through the pews nor placed on the altar. Instead it symbolically resides by the font near the back of the church, a calling to all the baptized to be part of the kingdom in the practice of committed giving. If you would like to donate but missed the offering plate on your way in, it remains available briefly after the service.)

Prayer over the Gifts

Creator, you bless us with many good gifts returned to you from your creation. Feed us with the Bread of Life, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer *(Please stand)*

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Open your hearts.

We open to the fullness of God.

Feast at the banquet prepared from the foundations of the world.

We come, O Christ, in thanks and praise.

Holy and eternal One in whom we live and move and have our being our origin and our fulfillment we praise and thank you for drawing us to this sacred meal. From the ocean of your primal love you fashioned the marvel of creation and beauty of

human life. From this land of towering forests, mist laden coastlines, the rhythms of the tidal seas, storm and stillness you humble us to affirm the sacred gift of all creation and our stewardship for everything given and received.

Praise be to you, source of all life!

From the earliest days the peoples of these islands learned their dependence on your provision salmon and whale, elk and bear, and through song and ceremony, dance and painted cedar, hallowed these sacred relationships with all life.

Praise be to you, source of all life!

In Jesus Christ, you came into our world to reveal your glory, reconcile all peoples to yourself and make all things new in him. Now, gathered from many places, with a heart set on the pilgrim way we bring this bread and wine yearning for the nourishment of your Spirit and the fullness you promise in Jesus evermore praising you and saying

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.

Blessed are you, most holy One: for on the night before he died, Jesus took bread, gave you

thanks, broke it, gave it to all gathered and said:
“Take, eat, this is my body which is given for
you; do this in remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup, gave you thanks and
gave it to them saying: “Drink this, all of you. This
is my blood of the covenant which is given for
you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

“Behold, I am with you to the end of the age.”

Therefore, God of all creation, we offer this bread
of life, and this cup of salvation. Send your Holy
Spirit on these gifts and upon us, that we may know
Jesus in the breaking of the bread and follow him in
lives of selfless service and courageous love.

Praise be to you, source of all life.

In the fullness of time reconcile all things in
Christ, and bring us to that heavenly table, where
every tear will be wiped away and we will feast
anew.

Blessing, praise and thanksgiving be to you, Holy
and Eternal One, Undivided Trinity, One God, now
and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

*(musical setting: Jamie Brown; Worthily Magnify Music, 2022. Used with
permission)*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

**thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth,
as it is in heav'n. Give us this day our daily
bread and forgive our sins; As we forgive those
who sin against us. And lead us not into
temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is
the kingdom and thine is the power and the
glory forever, the glory forever, the glory
forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The One who defeated death and injustice is now present in this bread.

The One who offers our life promise and hope is now present in this wine.

**Breaking into our lives and community we ask
God for new life in Christ.**

The table of bread and wine is now ready. It is the table of company instituted by Christ, and Christ who invites us to the feast. All are welcome.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

The Communion

(Communion is offered at three locations in the following order: station one is at the back of the church near the candles for those who prefer to stand and/or are physically challenged by steps without railings; station two, brought to the pew; station three: at

the altar rail)

Instrumental musical selections are played during communion

Prayer after Communion *(please stand)*

Great Creator, you have fed us with bread from heaven. Continue to renew us in your truth, to give light to our minds strength to our bodies, and seal us with your Holy Spirit. We ask this in Christ's name. **Amen.**

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.

Musical Sending: Love Love Love Love

(Tune: Rose, Rose Rose, public domain)

Love Love Love Love

The gospel in a word is love

Love your neighbor as your brother (or sister)

For God is love

Peace Peace Peace Peace

The gospel in a word is peace

Peace that passes understanding

Go live in peace

Joy Joy Joy Joy
The gospel in a word is joy
Joy that fills to overflowing
Go share the joy

The Blessing and Dismissal

The grace of God uphold you, the peace of God surround you, the love of God flow from you and be your strength as you go into the world to love and serve;
The blessing of God be upon you today and forever.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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.

Weekly Cycles of Prayer

In the world wide communion, we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America; for our Primate, Bishop Shane Parker; for Chris Harper, the National Indigenous Archbishop; Diocese of Fredericton, Bishop David Edwards; for our own bishop, Anna Greenwood-Lee, and for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada.

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

In our parish we pray for: Keith & Keiko Brandsma, Doug Bowen, Jan Brister, Cathy Carphin, Wendy Clapp, Tom Dagget & Annie Kung, Judith Davidson, and Lynda and Michael Delaney.

In our community we pray for the St. John the Divine Food Bank.

For the month of June, we pray for gifts of Landscape and gardening.

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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