

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6, 2020



Welcome

We acknowledge our presence on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.

Welcome to this St. James' "Liturgy for use at home," which will continue over the summer in parallel with the simple said service at 9.00 am in church.

For the time being that will be the only public service in St. James'. Nonetheless, the Church's life of prayer and intercession continues. Those who live close to St. James' may hear the Angelus ring from the tower: this is an audible sign that the Church is praying for the parish, the DTES, the medical services, and for a swift resolution to this pandemic.

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom at the regular times: contact details on the website, and at the end of this bulletin. The Mass will continue to be offered regularly, even though the doors may be locked.

You are invited either to share in this Liturgy at 10:30 am on Sunday, via Zoom, or to use this as an aid to your prayers at home, drawing strength, we hope, from the knowledge that fellow-parishioners will be praying alongside you.

The Parish Intercession Lists, which are being kept up to date, are being prayed daily. Please make any requests to the Parish Office, office@stjames.bc.ca, 604-685-2532.

A PRAYER AT THIS TIME OF COVID-19

God of light
and God of mercy,
give us the faith to see you
in the grey dimness
of this time.

Give us the heart to hear,
in the silence of the sick,
the call to care for those in pain.

Give us the courage to find you
where you do not now appear to be.

Give us the trust it takes
to make our way through this uncertainty,
this fear, this seemingly irredeemable
sense of limitless loss
to the recognition of the relentless hope
that each seasonal cycle of life confirms in us.

You who made all things
for our good and our growth,
show us, too, now
the power of darkness
so that we may see newly—
beyond the ephemeral—
to what are really
the gloriously important things
in life.

This was written by Sr. Joan Chittester: OSB; Author; Interfaith Lecturer at Chautauqua Institution, N.Y.

VISION STATEMENT

Discovering the beauty of holiness in our lives and neighbourhood, by living a Christ-centred sacramental life rooted in the Anglo-Catholic tradition.

MISSION OBJECTIVES

- To be a beacon for all as a neighbourhood and destination church where we invite and welcome friends, family, and strangers into our midst;
- To deepen our life of prayer and formation in Christ;
- To develop relationships and fellowship in open, honest, and spiritual ways among parishioners, with our neighbours, and those in need;
- To pursue and practice justice and mercy for the imparting of the Kingdom of God within and beyond the Parish;
- To strive to maintain financial equilibrium, develop our reserves, and optimize the use of our assets to ensure the preservation of our sacred space and ministry from generation to generation, to the everlasting glory of God.

A Reflection

Bishops in the Church of God

A bishop in God's holy Church is called to be one with the apostles in proclaiming Christ's resurrection and interpreting the Gospel, and to testify to Christ's sovereignty as Lord of lords and King of kings.

You are called to guard the faith, unity, and discipline of the Church; to celebrate and to provide for the administration of the sacraments of the new covenant; to ordain priests and deacons, and to join in ordaining bishops; and to be in all things a faithful pastor and wholesome example for the entire flock of Christ.

With your fellow bishops you will share in the leadership of the Church throughout the world. Your heritage is the faith of patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and those of every generation who have looked to God in hope. Your joy will be to follow him who came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Almighty Father, fill this your servant with the grace and power which you gave to your apostles, that he/she may lead those committed to his/her charge in proclaiming the gospel of salvation. Through him/her increase your Church, renew its ministry, and unite its members in a holy fellowship of truth and love. Enable him/her as a true shepherd to feed and govern your flock; make him/her wise as a teacher, and steadfast as a guardian of its faith and sacraments. Guide and direct him/her in presiding at the worship of your people. Give him/her humility, that he/she may use his/her authority to heal, not to hurt; to build up, not to destroy. Defend him/her from all evil, that, as a ruler over your household and an ambassador for Christ, he/she may stand before you blameless, and finally, with all your servants, enter your eternal joy.

From "The Ordination of a Bishop", *Book of Alternative Services of The Anglican Church of Canada*, pp 631ff.

Zoom Worship

For all of us, sharing in Liturgy at Home via Zoom is a new and evolving experience. We are all on a learning curve! The technology enables us, I think, to create a sense of community as together we offer our worship to God. It also has challenges and limitations.

One such challenge is that everyone's internet runs at a different speed: this means that if we try to say or sing something together with all the microphones switched on, the result is not edifying unison but a cacophony. For this reason we ask everyone to keep microphones on mute, unless one is reading. Please feel free to make the responses aloud at home, but not "on the air." Designated person(s) will make the responses on everyone's behalf.

We are exploring how we may include more music, but we have not yet discovered an effective way. We are grateful to Gerald for his commentary and links to music being circulated with *The Thurible* and on the website.

We offer this Liturgy at Home in union with the clergy offering the Sunday Mass in St. James', on behalf of the parish, the DTES, and for deliverance from this pandemic.

Fr. Kevin is grateful to all who are making this Liturgy at Home possible, and for the encouraging response and helpful feedback.

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

Gathering together on the traditional, ancestral and unceded lands of the Tsleil-Waututh “People of the Inlet”, the Musqueam “People of the River Grass”, and the Squamish “Mother of the Wind”, we meet

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN VERSE

Awake, awake: fling off the night!
For God has sent a glorious light;
And we who live in Christ's new day
Must works of darkness put away.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,
all slander and malice,
and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

Like as the hart longs for flowing streams, so longs my soul for you, O God:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

O send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me:
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

May we come to your altar, O God, the God of our salvation:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and keep us in eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
+art most high in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Stir up, O Lord,

the wills of thy faithful people,

that richly bearing the fruit of good works,

we may by thee be richly rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit.

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, 'O wicked ones, you shall surely die', and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: 'Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?' Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Ezekiel 33:7-11

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Antiphon: Give me understanding, O Lord, and I shall keep your law.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law;
I shall keep it with all my heart.
Make me go in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.
Incline my heart to your decrees and not to unjust gain.
Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless;
give me life in your ways.

Fulfil your promise to your servant,
which you make to those who fear you.
Turn away the reproach which I dread,
because your judgements are good.
Behold, I long for your commandments;
in your righteousness preserve my life.

Antiphon: Give me understanding, O Lord, and I shall keep your law.

Psalm 119:33-40

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Romans 13:8-14

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia.

Hear my prayer, O Lord; and let my cry come unto thee.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Matthew 18:15-20

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Fr. Neil Gray

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father,
**from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

We believe in God the Son,
**who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
**who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

We believe in one God;
**Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant:

In the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father:

Intercessor:

For the whole People of God, that we may be true and faithful servants of Christ:

Lord in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa – Archbishop & Primate Thabo Makgoba
- for Linda – our Primate; Melissa – our Archbishop & Metropolitan
- For the mission and witness of our Diocese, and especially for –
 - the discernment of God’s call in the election of a Coadjutor Bishop
 - for Holy Cross Japanese Canadian, Vancouver – The Revd Lucy Price
 - for Synod Office Staff
 - and for our parish of St. James:

Lord in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Archbishop Mark, and for all Indigenous Peoples in the diocese of Quebec,
and for Bishop Brent and our partner The Diocese of Northern Philippines:

Lord in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Elizabeth our Queen, and for the leaders of the nations at this time of crisis; for the World Health Organization and for the medical profession, on the front line and in research:

Lord in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For an end to war, famine, and pandemic through all the earth:

Lord in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; for the victims of our society; and for all those who minister to them – for all those suffering from Covid-19; Lynann Burton; Dylan; Judy Lambert; Helen; Sarah Kavanaugh; Eric Bristow; Norman; Jim Turner; Taryn & Regan; Lindsay; Brandon; Doreen McEwan; Arthur & Margaret Searle; Daniel; Sadru; Richard Roberts; Amy; John Sovereign; Sheila; and Judy;

And in our Street Outreach for -- Lloyd; Darren; Brooklyn; Christopher; Rita; Christine; Keith; Frank; Nicky & Stanley; Dwayne; Darlene; Johanna; Charlene; Bandit; and Victor:

Lord in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the recently departed – for all victims of Covid-19; and for Philip Cunningham, priest; Patricia Waller; and Ingrid;

And for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time - Jean Bailey; Burdette Trout; Miguel Rolfe; Louise Hoare; Janet Lothian; Philip Rive; Francis Heathcote, bishop; Betty Tickell; Jane Burwell:

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Celebrant:

Great and holy God,
accept our offering of prayer, labour and love.
May we bring you true and spiritual worship
and be one with you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

Spiritual Communion

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

AGNUS DEI

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*As we are unable to receive the Blessed Sacrament at this time,
meditate quietly for a moment on these words of Jesus from St. John 6:*

“I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

“O come to my heart, Lord Jesus. There is room in my heart for thee.”

HYMN VERSE

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Father,
thy word and sacrament give us food and life.
May we who have shared in holy things
bear fruit to thy honour and glory,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GRACE

The peace of God which passeth all understanding,
keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

May the grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
+and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

AVE REGINA CAELORUM

We greet you, Mary, heaven's queen
and lady of the choirs of angels,
root of Jesse, gate of morning
through whom the world's true light has dawned.

Rejoice, O Virgin most renowned, beautiful beyond all others.
Hail to you, queen O most lovely,
pray for us and with us
to Christ our Saviour.

Clergy Notes

The Episcopal Election Committee has announced the Nominees for Bishop Coadjutor. The Election by the Diocesan Synod will take place on Saturday, Oct. 3.

For Reflection this week I have selected extracts from the BAS Rite for the Ordination of a Bishop. These set out the weighty responsibilities and duties of a Bishop in exercising leadership in the Church of God, and so remind us all of our responsibility to pray regularly for our Bishop, and, at this time, for the recognition of God's call in the election of our new Bishop.

There are five candidates, four from within the Diocese, and one from Toronto: the Venerable Allan Carson, the Reverend Philip Cochrane, the Reverend Philippa Segrave-Pride, the Right Reverend Riscylla Shaw, and the Reverend John Stephens. For full details go to vancouver.anglican.ca, click the [Seeking our Next Bishop](#) page.

Please pray for the candidates, and for the Synod Delegates, as the Election draws near. The Election Committee offers the following prayer for our use:

A Prayer for the Diocese

Triune God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three,
you created the Church to embody your mission in the world.

We thank you for the gift of your presence
so that we may be still and know your will for us.

We thank you for Jesus
who taught us that strength and growth
come through acts of humble service.

We thank you for the Holy Spirit
sent to lead us into all truth.

Bless the Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster
as we prepare to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

Keep us steadfast in faith, united in love and courageous in action,
so that we may manifest your love for this world.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Friend and Helper. Amen.

The Diocese of British Columbia (Vancouver Island) is also holding an Electoral Synod, at the end of this month. Please pray for their candidates, among them The Venerable Douglas Fenton, and for their Synod Delegates.

Every blessing,
Fr. Kevin

Notices

PUBLIC & ONLINE WORSHIP

On Sundays there is a 9:00 am *Said Mass* inside St. James' and registration with the Parish Office is required by Friday at noon of the previous week. The online *Liturgy at Home* at 10:30 am continues. Please see *The Thurible* and the website for more details and protocol.

GIVING

Thank you to all those who are giving generously to St James' in these difficult times. Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

Although we are not all meeting as a congregation in the church, the ongoing running costs of St. James', some \$1800 per day, continue.

If usually you give in the Weekly Offering Envelopes, please consider using the credit card Donate option on the [HOME](#) page or go to the [GIVING](#) page of the St. James' website: www.stjames.bc.ca

Alternatively, if you do not already give by PAD (Pre-Authorised Donation) and are able to do so, please email the Parish Office for a form. More information is available on the Diocese of New Westminster [here](#).

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom most days at 9 am and 5 pm.

The Meeting ID is 936 5595 7573, Password 762469. Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

Lectionary

DATE	DAILY MASS	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON. SEPTEMBER 7 Feria	Sir 38:27-32; Ps 107:1-9; 1 Cor 3:10-14; Mt 6:19-24	Ps 41, 52; Job 32:1-10, 19-33:1, 19-28; Acts 13:44-52	Ps 44; 1 Kgs 13:1-10; Jn 10:19-30
TUES. SEPTEMBER 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Is 61:9-11; Ps 132:6-8, 14-18; Lk 1:26-33	Ps 45; Job 29:1-20; Acts 14:1-18	Ps 47, 48; 1 Kgs 16:23-34; Jn 10:31-42
WED. SEPTEMBER 9 Feria	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-18; Lk 6:20-26	Ps 119:49-72; Job 29:1, 30:1-2, 16-31; Acts 14:19-28; Acts 13:44-52	Ps 49, 53; 1 Kgs 17:1-24; Jn 11:1-16
THU. SEPTEMBER 10 Edmund James Peck, Missionary to the Inuit, 1924	1 Jn 5:6-12; Ps 107:23-32; Mt 28:16-20	Ps 50; Job 29:1, 31:1-23; Acts 15:1-11	Ps 59, 6; 1 Kgs 18:1-19; Jn 11:17-29
FRI. SEPTEMBER 11 Feria	1 Cor 9:16-27; Ps 84; Lk 6:39-42	Ps 40, 54; Job 29:1, 31:24-40; Acts 15:12-21	Ps 51; 1 Kgs 18:20-40; Jn 11:30-44
SAT. SEPTEMBER 12 Feria	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:10-17; Lk 6:43-49	Ps 55; Job 38:1-17; Acts 15:22-35	Ps 46, 87; 1 Kgs 8.22-30; Eph 2.11-22
SUN. SEPTEMBER 13 Holy Cross	Num 21:4b-9 Ps 98:1-5 1 Cor 1: 18-24 Jn 3:13-17	Ps 66; Num 21:4-9; Jn 3:11-17	Ps 118; Gen 3:1-15; 1 Pet 3:17-22

CLERGY

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Honorary Assistants: Sister Mary Christian Cross, Deacon;
Father Neil Gray; Father Neil Fernyhough

CLERGY AVAILABILITY

Clergy may be contacted through the Office: 604-685-2532.

In-parish office hours are currently intermittent but email and phone messages are being monitored and responded to.

PARISH STAFF

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