

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost:
Harvest Thanksgiving
October 8, 2023 | 9:00 am



Welcome

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect our presence on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

Welcome to this Mass at St. James'.

- Whilst Covid-19 protocols have been relaxed, please respect others' space.
- Washrooms are available: please see one of the Greeters for directions.
- Do not leave personal belongings unattended at your seat.
- Please refrain from taking photographs/video during the service without consent.
- Offerings may be left on the collection plate at the back of church at the end of the service or via the Giving page on www.stjames.bc.ca. You can scan this QR code with your smartphone to go directly there.
 - Regular givers are invited to set up a PAD/Credit Card payment. For info email envelope.secretary@stjames.bc.ca.
- Coffee Hour takes place in the Parish Centre immediately after Mass.
Everyone welcome!



About St James'

St. James' is an inclusive Christian community, worshipping in the Anglo-Catholic tradition. For more information, please see our website: www.stjames.bc.ca.

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

The common creation story helps us to move into a new paradigm for responding to our fellow animals, one in which we appreciate the network of our interdependence with them as well as their real differences from us. In the conventional model, the model that views them as resources or recreation, as something to serve us or amuse us, we can appreciate neither our profound closeness nor our genuine differences: they are simply “other.” The new paradigm, however, presses us into a much more complex, highly nuanced relationship with other animals, one that refuses either a sentimental fusion or an absolute separation.

We are on a continuum with them as they are with us; it is not us versus them but us *and* them, for the roots of human nature lie deep within those others we call animals.

- Sallie McFague, from *The Body of God: An Ecological Theology*

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

Gathering together on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wəyám (Musqueam), Sk̓w̓x̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tseil-Waututh) First Nations, we meet

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN

For the healing of the nations,
God, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Let us confess our sin, and the sins of our society,
in the misuse of God's creation.

God has blessed us,
but still God's children go hungry.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

God has blessed us,
but still the poor cry out for justice.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

God has blessed us,
but still we see inequality and oppression in the earth.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

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

Creator of the fruitful earth,

you made us stewards of all things.

Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness,

and steadfast wills to use your bounty well,

that the whole human family,

today and in generations to come,

may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.
I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;

I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

(Isaiah 5:1-7)

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Restore us, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance,
and we shall be saved.

**You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.**

You prepared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.

**The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**

You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea
and its branches to the River.

**Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**

The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

**Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.**

(Psalm 80:7-14)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

(Philippians 3:4b-14)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. The Lord grants peace within your borders: he fills you with the finest wheat. **Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'

The chief priests and the elders of the people said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'

Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes"?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

(Matthew 21:33-46)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Mother Amanda Ruston

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:

Let us pray to God, the Lord of the harvest,
for the fruition of the Divine vision for all God's creation.

Intercessor:

Lord of creation, we see that the fields are ripe for harvesting:
may your Church be ready to gather fruit for eternal life.

We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East
- for Linda our Primate; Lynne our Metropolitan; and John our Bishop
- for Archbishop Christopher, and for Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of British Columbia
- for Bishop Benny and our companion Diocese of Northern Philippines
- in our Diocese, for:
 - the Deanery of Yale
 - and for our parish of St. James

Lord of the harvest,

in your mercy hear us.

You have created the universe by your eternal Word,
and have blessed humankind in giving us stewardship of the earth:
we pray for the world,
that we may honour and share its resources,
and live in reverence for the creation
and in harmony with one another.

By your power, may war, famine, fire and flood cease through all the earth.

Lord of the harvest,

in your mercy hear us.

Your Son has promised that the Spirit will lead us into all truth:
we pray for the communities in which you have set us,
for one another and for ourselves,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace.
Help us to walk more faithfully the way of Truth and Reconciliation in Canada.
Lord of the harvest,
in your mercy hear us.

You have given your people a rich land,
yet by sin we have made a world of suffering and sorrow:
we pray for those who bear the weight of affliction,
that they may come to share the life of wholeness and plenty.

Among the sick and those in need we pray especially for Kenny Landherr;
Kate Flood; Byron; Philip; Judy; Adaline; Philippa Pride; June & Charles Nixon;
Paul Kimm; Marko; Dianne; Patrick Burns; Charles; Vivian Lam; Kelvin Bee; Ian;
Mikelina; Antonio; Jamal Dahir; Judith Haughton; Linda Cheung; Beverly Waltmans;
Christopher; Sonja & Gary; Christine Hatfull; Mrs Heng; Lin; Mary-Eileen Yoder;
Cynthia; and Dylan & Chris.

In our Street Outreach we pray for Tony; Edgar Alan; Yuen; Kari-Ann; Mariner R;
Matt; Matthew; Amber; Sadie; and Gregory.
Lord of the harvest,
in your mercy hear us.

Your Son Jesus Christ is the first-fruits of the resurrection
and will reap the harvest of the dead at the end of time:
we pray that he will gather us all together
with those who have gone before
in the banquet of the age to come.

Among those who have died recently, we pray for Sharon Arundel; Brian Strehler;
Jim Morrison; Margaret Harrison; and Lawrence Ritchie, priest,

And for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time:
Nancy Stewart; James Woods; Doris England; Sybil Ainsworth; Charlene Donaghey;
Herbert Cutler; James Spencer; Val Stewart; Nancy Foggin; Ernest Osmond;
Phyllis Walmsley; and Lillian Morgan.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Celebrant:

Remembering Holy Mary, the Mother of God,
St. James our Patron, and all the saints,
we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life
to you, our Lord and God.

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.”

Then, in union with the Body of Christ in every time and place, pray:

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

HYMN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below,
Praise him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
God of our hope,
in you we find the source of all our blessings.
Nourished by your grace
may we, with our lives,
give you continual thanks and praise.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GRACE

The peace of God which passes 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

Hail, Queen of Heaven, beyond compare,
to whom the angels homage pay.
Hail, Root of Jesse, Gate of Light,
which opened for the world's new day.

Rejoice, O Virgin unsurpassed,
in whom our ransom was begun.
For all your loving children pray,
to Christ our Saviour and your Son.

The flowers on the High Altar
are given to the Glory of God,

and in loving memory of
William and Flora McKernan
by Peter and Joyce Goodwin.

Clergy Notes

This Sunday we celebrate Thanksgiving, and after Mass, we gather on the front steps of St James' Church to give thanks for and bless our beloved animal companions. Although traditionally, this is done in remembrance of St Francis of Assisi, I think it is particularly appropriate that we happen to be doing it on Thanksgiving, because animals – for many – are family, and the love we share with our animal companions can be a wonderful reminder of the love and blessings God so freely gives us.

Animals whom we share our lives with can remind us, too, of how we ought to love one another: abundantly, gently, and free from judgement. We humans are not always deserving of this kind of love – from our non-human animal friends, let alone from God – yet God goes on loving us regardless. Having an animal love us can be a humbling reminder of this, and one that I know has made me strive to be a better person. I suspect I am not alone in that.

Wherever you find yourself this Thanksgiving, I invite you to join me in giving thanks for the many blessings of this life, and to tell at least one person (or furry being!) whom God has blessed you with, that you are grateful for them.

With love,
Mtr Amanda

Notices

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

Saturday	4:00 pm: Vigil Mass in church
Sunday	9:00 am: Liturgy at Home via Zoom 10:30 am: Solemn Mass in church
Weekdays	12:10 pm: Monday, Wednesday, Friday in church 9:30 am: Tuesday, Thursday in church

MASS CANCELLATION

There will be no Mass on Monday, October 9 due to clergy being away.

AWAY

Father Kevin will be away (and out of email contact) until October 12. Please refer all pastoral matters to Mother Amanda, and parish admin matters to office@stjames.bc.ca.

SUNDAY, 15 OCTOBER

Next Sunday, the 10:30 am service in church will be a guided Eucharist. This is a great opportunity for anyone new or returning to Anglicanism, or anyone wishing to refresh or deepen their understanding of the liturgy.

At 4:00pm, we will have Solemn Evensong & Benediction in church.

Please invite your friends, family, neighbours to either or both services – all are welcome!

FUNDRAISER

The St. James' Mothers' Union invites you to order from a selection of festive goodies to raise funds for Canadian Mothers' Union. Order forms can be found at stjames.bc.ca. Please return your completed order form and payment to the Parish Office by Sunday, November 5th.

RECEPTION

A memorial tea party will be held at the Parish Centre from 2 to 5 pm on Saturday, October 14, for parishioner Irene Sodja. A longtime resident of St. Luke's Court and the last of their "Little Old Ladies Club", Irene passed away on August 4, 2023. Her friends and acquaintances are most welcome to attend the reception.

PACIFIC THEATRE

The theatre season has begun, and Pacific Theatre opens theirs this year with Tetsuro Shigematsu's critically acclaimed solo show, "Empire of the Son" - an intergenerational family tale of love and alienation, up close and personal. For show times and other program information, visit their website at www.pacifictheatre.org.

BIBLE STUDY

Interested in learning more about Scripture, or how to apply the Bible to your daily life? Bring your questions and curiosity and join in the conversation (or just listen if you prefer!) We meet in person and on Zoom, every Wednesday at 1:00 pm. No registration required. All are welcome! Please contact Mtr Amanda if you would like to be sent the reading and discussion questions ahead of time.

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 6396 2965

Zoom Passcode: 247805

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom most days at 9 am and 5 pm. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

Zoom Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Zoom Passcode: 762469

Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPLINE

You are invited to join this small but lively group of people, praying Compline together from the BCP via Zoom. We meet at 9:00 pm Friday nights. Bring your own book, or contact Mother Amanda for the PDF order of service.

Zoom Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Zoom Passcode: 688517

Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

THE HOLY ROSARY

On the last Saturday of the month at 10:30 am, join Fr José Luis Aranda Moyano in praying the Holy Rosary via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159

No passcode required

Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778 907 2071.

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON Oct 9 John Henry Newman, Priest, Teacher of the Faith, 1890.	Ps 106:1-18; 2 Kgs 21:1-18; 1 Cor 10:14-11:1	Jon 1:1-17, 2:10; Ps 130; Lk 10:25-37	Ps 106:19-48; Hos 14:1-9; Mt 8:28-34
TUES Oct 10 St. Paulinus, First Bishop of York, Missionary, 644	Ps 121, 122, 123; 2 Kgs 22:1-13; 1 Cor 11:2, 17-22	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 6; Lk 10:38-42	Ps 124, 125, 126; Mic 1:1-9; Mt 9:1-8
WED Oct 11 Feria	Ps 119:145-176; 2 Kgs 22:14-23:3; 1 Cor 11:23-34	Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:1-10; Lk 11:1-4	Ps 128, 129, 130; Mic 2:1-13; Mt 9:9-17
THUR Oct 12 Feria	Ps 131, 132; 2 Kgs 23:4-25; 1 Cor 12:1-11	Mal 3:13-4:2a; Ps 1; Lk 11:5-13	Ps 134, 135; Mic 3:1-8; Mt 9:18-26
FRI Oct 13 St. Edward the Confessor, King of England, 1066	Ps 140, 142; 2 Kgs 23:36-24:17; 1 Cor 12:12-26	Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Ps 9:1-8; Lk 11:14-26	Ps 141, 143:1-11; Mic 3:9-4:5; Mt 9:27-34
SAT Oct 14 Feria	Ps 137:1-6, 144; Jer 35:1-19; 1 Cor 12:27-13:3	Jl 3:12-21; Ps 97; Lk 11:27-28	Ps 104; Mic 5:1-4, 10-15; Mt 9:35-10:4
SUN Oct 15 20th Sunday after Pentecost	Ps 146, 147; Jer 36:1-10; Acts 14:8-18	Is 25:1-9 Ps 23 Phil 4:1-9 Mt 22:1-14	Ps 111, 112, 113; Mic 6:1-8; Lk 7:36-50

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