

10:00 am

August 24, 2025 — Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Hymn: "I the Lord of Sea and Sky" (VU #509)

Land Acknowledgement

Call to Worship

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

Sung Gloria: "Gloria, Gloria, in Excelsis Deo" (CP #376)

The Collect

God of the sabbath, this is the day and this is the hour when women long oppressed stand with dignity, and when your healing escapes our desire for control: may your joy stretch the fabric of our hearts and inspire us to loosen each other's bonds; through Jesus Christ, the shamer of the powerful and the raiser of the dead. Amen.

The First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10 (Cliff Caprani)

Psalm 71:1-6

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;

let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;

incline your ear to me and save me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe;

you are my crag and my stronghold.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,

from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

For you are my hope, O Lord God,

my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

Glory to God, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-29 (Mary Koehler)

Gradual Hymn: "Halleluia No. 1" (CP #405)

The Gospel: Luke 13:10-17 (Roger Farrier)

The Sermon: Chris Clark, Vancouver School of Theology Student

"Silence & Stillness for Prayer & Reflection"

Affirmation of Faith by St. Hildegard of Bingen

Spirit of God, Life and Life-giver, Root of all life, Enlivening Wind, washing away sin, anointing each wound, You are True Life, alive with Light, worthy of praise, awakening the heart from death to new life. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession (Peter Bayley)

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

~ Silence is kept ~

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace: The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: "God You Caused to Be Written" (CP #476)

— The Celebration of the Eucharist —

Prayer Over the Gifts

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, so that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

May God be with you. And also with you Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing: (CP #732)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sung Lord's Prayer by Gordon Light

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as in heav'n. 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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Communion Anthem: "Come, Share with God" (VU #469) verses 1, 2, 1

Come to the banquet for now all is ready.

These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God. Thanks be to God.

If you require a gluten free wafer, please only extend one hand. If you do not feel comfortable drinking from the cup, please just acknowledge it and let it pass. We ask that you refrain from intincting or dipping your wafer.

Communion Hymn: "Eat this Bread" (CP #63)

Prayer After Communion

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Blessing Chris on His Way

The 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.

Sung Blessing

The Closing Hymn: "Let Streams of Living Justice" (CP #575)

The Dismissal: Go in peace, share the good news. Thanks be to God.

Announcements	
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Flowers in Worship

The flowers this morning are given by Ivy and Gilbert Choung in honor of their daughter Jenny Brown on her birthday, August 24.

Backpack Collection: Until August 31

It's backpack time again! We are collecting new backpacks and school supplies for local Richmond students. Drop off at the Church Office on Sunday mornings or Tues-Thurs from 8:30-1:30 pm. Our deadline is August 31!

St. Anne's International Cookbook

Would you be interested in contributing to this fundraising project – either with your own recipes or with organizing and formatting to final product, or both?! Please look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

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We gather and worship on the ancestral and unceded territories of the Coast Salish Peoples.