



10:00 am

July 26, 2026 — Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Hymn: "For the Fruit of All Creation" (CP #259)

Land Acknowledgement

Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first occupied this land we are on. We give thanks to the Coast Salish peoples, the first people of this land. Creator let us be of good mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray. Amen.

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 eternal wisdom,
you alone impart the gift of discernment:
grant us understanding hearts,
so that we may choose wisely
between the treasures of your promised reign
and this world's counterfeits;
through Jesus Christ, the pearl of true value. Amen.

The First Reading: Genesis 29:15-28 (*Linda Mcrae*)

Psalm 105:1-11

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name;
make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.
Sing to the Lord, sing praises,
and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord.
Glory in the holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Search for the strength of the Lord;
continually seek the face of God.
Remember the marvels the Lord has done,
the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord,
O offspring of Abraham the servant of God,
O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.
The Lord is our God,
whose judgements prevail in all the world,
who has always been mindful of the covenant,
the promise made for a thousand generations:
the covenant made with Abraham,
the oath sworn to Isaac,
established as a statute for Jacob,
an everlasting covenant for Israel,
saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan
to be your allotted inheritance."
Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

The Second Reading: Romans 8:26-39 (*Beverley Unsworth*)

Gradual Hymn: “A Spendthrift Lover is the Lord” (CP #177)

The Gospel: Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 (*Tony Herbert*)

The Sermon: *The Rev. April Stanley*

“Silence & Stillness for Prayer & Reflection”

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession (*Donna Bishop*)

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table.

Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Offertory Hymn: “You are the Salt of the Earth” (CP #502)

— *The Celebration of the Eucharist* —

Prayer Over the Gifts

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 offer thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name: *(CP #732)*

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

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command,

we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory; and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for 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: “Confitemini Domino” (CP #402)

Prayer After Communion

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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: “To God Be the Glory” (CP #371)

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

We offer thanks for the beautiful music of Miri Lee who is filling in for Jonathan today.

Announcements

Memorial Service

A Service will be held for Eric and Joyce Ferguson on Saturday, August 15 at 1 pm.

Summer Book Club: Discussions on Aug 9 & Sept 6

Join us in reading two books this summer to deepen our faith and understanding.

July: The Girl Who Baptized Herself / August: My Body is Not a Prayer Request

We don't have these for purchase, but copies are available in the church library and through the public library and online and local book retailers.

Save the Date! St. Anne's Parish BBQ: August 30

This is always a great time for our Parish community. Mark your calendars and join us!

Godly Play in the Summertime

Please note that during the months of July and August there will be no Godly Play program during the Sunday morning Worship Services. All children and their caregivers are welcome to use the Godly Play room (under supervision please) at any time and there are activity bags for use during Church by the main Sanctuary entrance.

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*We acknowledge that we gather and worship
on the ancestral and unceded territories
of the Coast Salish Peoples.*