

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: PROPER 26C

September 25, 2022 • 10:00 AM

Welcome to St. John's, Shaughnessy! Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, and whether you are joining us in the church building or via the livestream, we are glad you are here!

If you are new here and would like to learn more, please introduce yourself to the clergy after the service. If you would like to be added to our mailing list so that we may keep you informed of upcoming events, please contact the church office. Infants and children (and their accompanying noises) enliven our services. Colouring, crafts, and quiet toys are available in the children's area, just to the left of the front pews.

We acknowledge with respect that we worship on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples, and we pray that we may live more deeply into the calls to action from Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

A brief organ voluntary offered a few minutes before the hour bids us all keep silence for prayer and preparation.

The people's responses are in **bold**.

PRELUDE Two Fantasies on English Melodies "Home, Sweet Home" A. Guilmant (1837-1911)

GREETING

THE ENTRANCE RITE





THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

SONG OF PRAISE

ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 32:1-3A, 6-15

A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him.

Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord.

And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales. Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91:1-6, 14-16

The Choir sings the Refrain; then all repeat.



- He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- He shall say to the Lord,
 "You are my refuge and my stronghold,
 my God in whom I put my trust."
- ³ He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter and from the deadly pestilence.
- ⁴ He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.

Refrain

- ⁵ You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day;
- Of the plague that stalks in the darkness, nor of the sickness that lays waste at mid-day
- Because he is bound to me in love,
 therefore will I deliver him;
 I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;I am with him in trouble;I will rescue him and bring him to honour.
- ¹⁶ With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation

Refrain

A reading from the first letter of Paul to Timothy

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings the Alleluia; then all repeat.



Cantor

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. *Alleluia*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 16:19-31

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.'

But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the

prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."'

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Terry Shields Dirbas

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Through the burning bush on Mt. Sinai, God spoke to the people, bringing them a new covenant and new way of life. In this season of creation, help us renew our covenant and live in gratitude and wonder with all creation. To the bidding, "In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord," please respond, "We give you thanks, O God."

In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord:

We give you thanks, O God.

Loving God, teach us to see you in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of you. Awaken our praise and thankfulness for everything that you have made. Give us the grace to perceive that we are connected to everything that is.

Silence

In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord:

We give you thanks, O God.

God of Wisdom, calling to us from out of the burning bush, with Anglicans everywhere we pray this morning for the Anglican Church of Burundi.

We pray for our companion Diocese of Northern Philippines, and in the Canadian Church we pray for the Primate, Linda, the National Interim Indigenous Bishop, Sidney, and the work of the Sacred Circle.

In our own diocese, we pray for Bishop John, and for the parishes of St. Michael's, Surrey; St. Michael's Multicultural Parish, Vancouver; and the St. Michael's Centre, Burnaby. May we all be good stewards of the earth.

Silence

In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord:

We give you thanks, O God.

God of love, show us our place in this world, as a part and not the whole of the great web of life. All creatures are yours. They came forth from your hand, filled with your presence and your tender love.

Silence

In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord:

We give you thanks, O God.

Saving God, we give thanks for all human beings on the earth, created from dust, yet crowned with glory.

We pray for all who struggle at this time. For all those who labour to care for those in need, and all whose labour puts them in harms way.

We pray for those we know and those who are strangers; those near to us and those far away; all of us beautiful, all of us flawed.

We pray especially for those who have asked our prayers, that all may find healing and wholeness.

And we pray for those who have died and rest in your eternal love, and all those who mourn, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Silence

In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord:

We give you thanks, O God.

Creator God, we enjoy the abundant fruits of the earth, yet we acknowledge that we have often wasted the gifts of the earth, taking more than our share, leaving our siblings in poverty and need. Renew our minds and transform us into servants of the earth, so that her richness and bounty will sustain, not only us, but generations to come after us.

In gratitude, let us pray to the Lord:

We give you thanks, O God.

O God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy; open our eyes to the wonders of creation, and teach us to see all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and St. John the Beloved, our patron, and all the saints, we commend ourselves and all people to your unfailing love.

Merciful Father, accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE 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.

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 the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

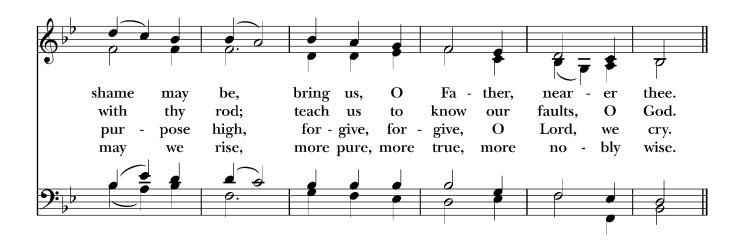
The people greet one another with signs of God's peace.

THE OFFERTORY

As the altar is prepared for Holy Communion, the congregation is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. A QR code is provided for those who prefer to donate online. During the collection, a hymn is sung.





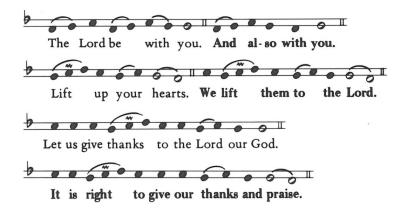


THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

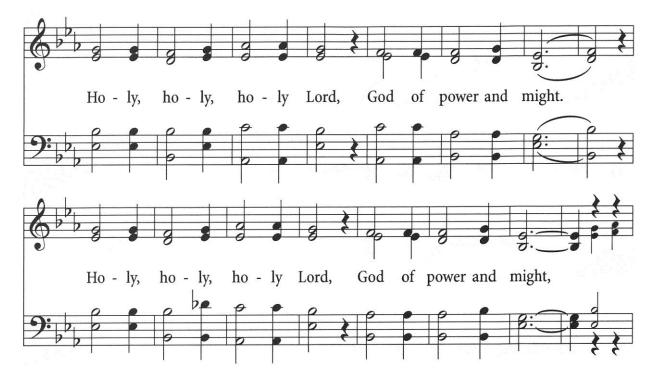
From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation. Glory to you for ever and ever.

But we turn against you, and betray your trust; and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return. Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law. In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions, and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS





Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised;

through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

Give us this bread for ever.

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



We invite all baptized Christians to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, you may indicate that desire by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come forward, please ask a sidesperson to have Communion brought to you.

View me, Lord, a work of thine: Shall I then lie drown'd in night? Might thy grace in me but shine, I should seem made all of light.

But my soul still surfeits so on the poisoned baits of sin, That I strange and ugly grow, all is dark and foul within.

Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel At thine altar pure and white: they that once thy mercies feel, gaze no more on earth's delight.

Worldly joys, like shadows, fade when the heav'nly light appears, but the cov'nants thou hast made, endless, know nor days nor years.

In thy Word, Lord, is my trust, to thy mercies fast I fly; though I am but clay and dust, yet thy grace can lift me high. Amen.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

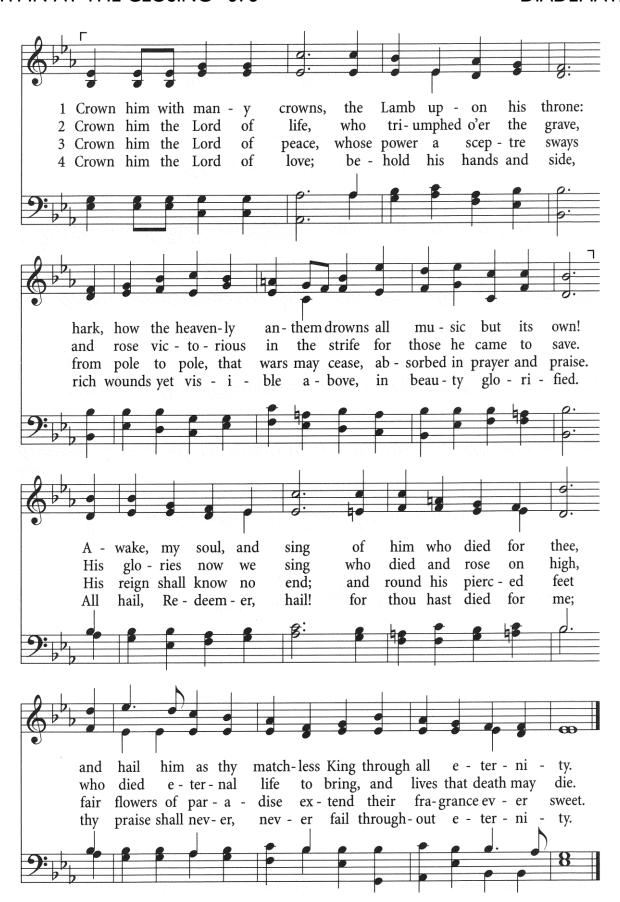
THE DOXOLOGY

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.

THE NOTICES

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Two Fantasies on English Melodies "Rule, Britannia" A. Guilmant

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