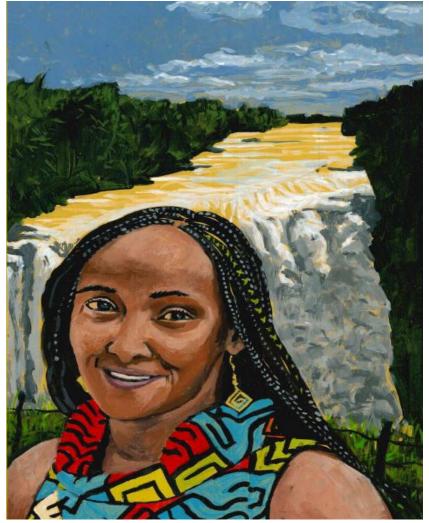


Sunday, September 24, 2023

Season of Creation

10:00 AM. Holy Eucharist BAS



Welcome & Territorial Acknowledgement:

The Gathering of the Community:

Opening Hymn: CP #398 Let Us With Gladsome Mind

Gathering:

May all be fed. May all be healed. May all be loved. *(John Robbins)*

Penitence:

Shepherd of Israel, God of hosts,

we have turned away from you,

neglecting the welfare of your creation,

ignoring the plight of your people,

trampling on the creatures and the plants you have

made, taking from Earth what we cannot give back.

We have not helped our neighbours in need,

We have not fed the hungry

Nor kept peace within our families, or tended the vine you planted in our lives.

Forgive us and lead us to a more gracious life.

In your compassion, turn us to your way.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

let your face shine upon us, that we may be saved.

Amen (Feasting on the word worship companion: John Knox)

Absolution:

May the God of love forgive and strengthen you to live in harmony with all creation.

May the Spirit of Love fill your life to overflowing,

And may you walk, this day and always, in the footsteps of Christ. **Amen**

Act of Praise:

Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, glory to God on high, Gloria, Gloria, Gloria, glory to God on high, and on earth, peace to God's people, glory to God, and on earth, peace to God's people, glory to God.

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray

God of Moses, who rained down bread on Israel's wandering people: lead us to the food that never leaves us craving, but fills our whole humanity with life enough for all; through Jesus Christ, the true bread of heaven. Amen. Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 16.2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites: 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.' " And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.' " In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it? For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

Reader:The Word of the LordPeople:Thanks be to God

Psalm 105.1-6 & 37-45

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.

You led out your people with silver and gold; * in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

Egypt was glad of their going, * **because they were afraid of them.**

You spread out a cloud for a covering * and a fire to give light in the night season.

They asked, and quails appeared, *** and you satisfied them with bread from heaven.**

You opened the rock, and water flowed, * so the river ran in the dry places.

For you, O God, remembered your holy word * and Abraham your servant.

So you led forth your people with gladness, * your chosen with shouts of joy.

You gave your people the lands of the nations, * and they took the fruit of others' toil,

that they might keep your statutes * and observe your laws. Hallelujah!

Gradual Hymn: CP #383 Jesus Shall Reign

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20.1-16

- Reader: God be with you
- People: And also with you
- Reader: The Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

"For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last

and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received a denarius. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Talk by Denise Doerksen

Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith

We believe in God, creator of the Earth Creator of life and freedom Hope of the poor We believe in Jesus Christ Friend in suffering Companion of the resurrection Way of peace.

We believe in the Spirit; The holy force impelling the poor to build a church of beatitudes. We recognize our baptism in the blood of our martyrs. We confess our faith in the law of love; We wait for the resurrection of all of creation And joyfully praise our Lord Who has looked upon the disinherited, those who have no bread, no home and no land.

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Prayers of the People

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: This is God's Wonderous World

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Prayer Over Gifts God, food of the poor Christ our bread Give us a taste of the tender bread from your creation's table Bread newly taken from your heart's oven Food that comforts and nourishes us A fraternal loaf that makes us human, Joined hand in hand Working and sharing A warm loaf that makes us a family A sacrament of your body Your wounded people. *(Psalms for life and peace – Paginas)* The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

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

We thank and praise you almighty Father. In wisdom you guide the course of the world and cherish us with all tender care. We thank you that we can come together around this table in the name of Jesus your Son, the first born of all creation. In him all things were created, visible and invisible, and all things hold together in him. We thank you that you have sent your Holy Spirit to make of us a new community of faith to serve you within your creation. And now we give you thanks because you have given the earth into our care, and call us to praise you day by day for the marvels of your creation. And so with the wonders of creation and the songs of praise of all your creatures both in heaven and on earth we join in one great act of awe and adoration:

Holy, holy, holy Lord...God,

God of might and power; holy is the Lord Holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God,

God of might and power, holy is the Lord Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth, Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna here on earth, Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God of all creation, send your Spirit upon the goodness of the earth, and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that in them we may recognize and receive the fullness of the Risen Christ: bread broken and wine poured, Body given, and Blood shed. On the night he sat at table with his disciples and with them recalled the wonder of your creation and the wonder of your covenant with your chosen people, He took bread, gave you thanks, blessed it and broke it, saying: Take this all of you and eat it. This is my Body, which will be given up for you. In the same way he took the cup and giving you thanks and praise, He gave the cup to his disciples and said: Take this all of you and drink from it, this is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me. So we proclaim the mystery of faith

Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again

As we remember the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, we celebrate the goodness of the earth, our companionship inthis world and the sharing of all skills and arts that enrich our lives. We share the cup of our humanity matured over the unnumbered centuries of the long struggle that has gone into making of this world; our living and dying, our fears and our hopes. Together with those who have drawn sustenance from this soil, those with whom we share it, and those to whom we pass it on, we share this bread and raise this cup in fulfilment of the Lord's command: through him, with him, in him in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, Almighty Father, forever and ever **Amen**. The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven. Hallow'd 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 forever. Amen. (Music by Gordon Light)

The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

The Communion

Please Note: You are welcome to drink from the common cup, but if you do not want to, just touch the cup. You must not dip the bread into the cup.: We have gluten free wafers and will gladly extend the platter to you for you to take one from it. Please just let us know if you need one.

Sending Out:

May God

Who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the sky Who leads the lambs to pasture and the deer to water.

Who multiplied loaves and fishes and changed water into wine.

Lead us, feed us, multiply us and change us to reflect the glory of our Creator, now and throughout all eternity, and may the blessing.

(New patterns for worship: Church house publishing)

Anthem: May The Grace

Closing Hymn: CP #380 O Worship the King

Dismissal

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

In the name of Christ Amen.

The flowers are to the glory of God in memory of John from Carolyn Hole



HOLY TRINITY

Notices/Upcoming Events

Our **September outreach** efforts is to make a significant impact on **Sidney Food Bank**

NOTICES

Contact givings@holytrinityns.org to sign up for automatic monthly withdrawal of your contribution. (Forms are available at the back of the church)

Reverend Denise will be on holidays from Oct 3-10th

HOLY TRINITY website is under construction.

Holy Trinity New Office Timing Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, 10AM - 3PM

Upcoming Events

Holy Trinity

- **Parish Council meeting**
 - 3pm, Sep 28th, Thursday

Praying with **Francis of Assisi**, a small group and pot luck supper at Parish Hall

- 5pm, Sep 26th, Oct 24th & Nov 28th
- **4pm**, **Oct 15th** & **Nov 19th** (Iona Abbey Creation Liturgy)

Please contact **Reverend Denise** to participate in the small group &/or the **Creation liturgy** service at <u>incumbent@holytrinityns.org</u>

⁺Lunch w/Grief & Loss Circle

- 11am, Sep 29th, Friday †Trinity Time
 - 2pm, Sep 28th, Thursday To get involve contact Thea Dickson at 250 655 3541

†Community Breakfast, National Day for **Truth & Reconciliation**

• 9-11am, Sep 30th, Saturday

To get involve contact **Reverend Denise** at <u>incumbent@holytrinityns.org</u>

ORANGE SHIRT DAY NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION



You are invited to acknowledge & honour this day with us for a Community Breakfast

Where: Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Parish Hall at 1325 Mills RoadWhen: Saturday, September 30th from 9-11am

Please consider wearing an **Orange T-shirt** to acknowledge people and families impacted by Residential Schools and intergenerational trauma.

Volunteers are needed to set-up, cook, serve, and clean up. To get involve contact **Reverend Denise** at incumbent@holytrinityns.org

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