

St. Paul's Cathedral

Territory of the People

Anglican Church of Canada, Kamloops, BC

Joyful, Rooted, Hospitable, Responsive

Sunday, October 31, 2021 – 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Today's service originates from the traditional territory of the Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc – Kamloops & Area First Nation. We acknowledge their care for and working of the land prior to contact with Europeans. As Canadian Anglicans, we continue to work toward healing and reconciliation and a new experience of sharing the land together.

God's Grief. By Ellen Bass

Great parent who must have
started out
with such high hopes.
What magnitude of suffering,
the immensity of guilt, the
staggering despair.
A mind the size of the sun,
burning with longing, a heart
huge as a gray whale
breaching, streaming seawater
against the pale sky.
Man god or beast god,
god that breathes in every
pleated leaf,
throat sac of frog, pinfeather
and shaft—
god of plutonium and penicillin,
drunk
sleeping on the subway grate,
god of Joan of Arc, god of Crazy
Horse,
Lady Day, bringing us to our
knees,
god of Houdini with hands
like a river, of Einstein,

regret running thick in his
veins, god of Stalin, god of
Somoza,
god of the long march,
the Trail of Tears, the trains,
god of Allende and god of
Tookie,
the strawberry picker, fire in
his back,
god of midnight, god of winter,
god of rouged children sold
with a week's lodging
and airfare to Thailand,
god in trouble, god at the end
of his rope—
sleepless, helpless—
desperate god, frantic god,
whale heart
lost in the shallows, beached
on the sand, parched, blistered,
crushed
by gravity's massive weight.

Piano Prelude: Hope of the World by Larson -(c) 2007 Alfred Sacred When Morning Dawns by Mart-(c) 2017 Hal Leonard Corp.

WORDS OF WELCOME

Melissa

Opening Hymn: MV #12 Come Touch Our Hearts

Danielle

Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion, from failing embers build a blazing fire; love strong enough to over turn injustice, to seek a world more gracious, come touch and bless our hearts.

Come touch our souls that we may know and love you, your quiet presence all our fears dispel; create a space for spirit to grow in us, let life and beauty fill us, come touch and bless our souls.

Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason, set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream; help us to open doors of understanding, to welcome truth and wisdom, come touch and bless our minds.

Come touch us in the moments we are fragile, and in our weakness your great strength reveal; that we may rise to follow and to serve, steady now our nerve, come touch and bless our wills.

Come touch us now, this people who are gathered, to break the bread and share the cup of peace; that we may love you with our heart, our souls, our mind, our strength, our all, come touch us with your grace.

Words and Music: Gordon Light, 2002
Arr. Andrew Donaldson

The Gathering of the Community

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.**

Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
**Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**
**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

GATHERING OF CHILDREN

Melissa Green

Loving God,
We give thanks for our children gathered with us here in this space and for those at home with their families.

We pray for our children, **that they will come to know you and grow in their faith.**

We pray for their parents and grandparent, **that in the busyness of life they will see you as they guide and nourish their children.**

We pray for ourselves, **that we may find ways to support, connect with, and pray for these families.**

May these children engage with you in adventures, dwell on your goodness, find you in the moments of difficulty, and recognize your presence through all of their days.

**Bless their time together this morning as they learn, pray, and play.
Amen.**

The children are invited to go down to Sunday School, they will re-join families and the congregation during the offertory hymn.

COLLECT: *Let us pray*

Almighty God,

whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call,

rejoicing in your promise

that in him the family of the earth is blessed,

give us faith like his,

that in us your promises may be fulfilled;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF RUTH

Alison McKinnon

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they

went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die - there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

RUTH 1:1-18

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

PSALM 146

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Keeping Faith

Our God keeps faith for - ev - er! Hal - le - lu jah!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a forte (f) dynamic marking and a variety of chords: C, F, Csus4, C, F, Fmaj7, Bb, (F), Bb6, and F.

O my soul, praise the Holy One!
I will praise the Holy One
all my life,
sing to my God while
I have my being. **R**

Trust not in rulers,
or in any mortals,
who have no power to save.
When they breathe their last,
they return to the dust.
On that day their very thoughts perish. **R**

Happy are those whose helper is
Jacob's God,
whose hope is in the Holy One,
their God,
Creator of heaven, earth, and sea,
and of all that is in them. **R**

The Holy One keeps faith forever,
does what is right and just for
the oppressed,
gives bread to the hungry,
sets the prisoners free.

The Holy One gives sight to the blind,
raises up those who are worn down. **R**

The Holy One loves the just and faithful,
cares for the stranger,
gives aid to the orphan and widow,
but destroys the way of the wicked.

The Holy One reigns forever,
Zion's God for all generations. **R**

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Miriam Baskin

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

HEBREWS 9:11-14

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

GRADUAL: Ubi Caritas MV 170 Dan and Danielle with guitar and piano

Latin: Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

English: Where there is charity selfless love, where there is charity, God is truly there.

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GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbour as oneself,' - this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

MARK 12:28-34

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

SERMON

Rev Dan Hines

(Quiet time)

The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism,

as we say,

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 THE PEOPLE

Jon Buckle

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his 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.

Passing of the peace (social distancing rules in effect)

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory: How Great Thou Art CP 423 Danielle

Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r thro' out the universe displayed.

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! how great Thou art!*

When thro' the woods and forest glades I wander,
I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! how great Thou art!*

But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,

Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! how great Thou art!*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! how great Thou art!*

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts:

God of freedom,
accept all we offer you this day.

May we embrace the law of your service
and know the glorious liberty of the children of God.

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,

for the gift of a world full of wonder,

and for our life which comes from you.

By your power you sustain the universe.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

You created us to love you with all our heart,

and to love each other as ourselves,

but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son,

you bring healing to our world

and gather us into one great family.

Therefore, with all who serve you

on earth and in heaven,

we praise your wonderful name, as we sing (say),

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks and praise, loving God,
because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us
you showed us how much you love us.
He cares for the poor and the hungry.
He suffers with the sick and the rejected.
Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back
but overcame hatred with love.

On the cross
he defeated the power of sin and death.
By raising him from the dead
you show us the power of your love
to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them,
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you."
After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which is shed for you and for many,
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God,
with this bread and wine
we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus,
and we offer ourselves to you in him.
Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,
that we may know the presence of Jesus
in the breaking of bread,
and share in the life
of the family of your children.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

Father, you call us to be your servants;
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that all the world may gather in joy
at the table of your kingdom.
We sing your praise, almighty Father,
through Jesus, our Lord,
in the power of the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.
Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jim Waldie

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.**

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BREAKING OF THE 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.**

Communion is shared at this point as possible according to local COVID-19 protocols

Prayer After Communion

Heavenly Father,
bring to perfection within us
the communion we share in this sacrament.
May the unity we know this day
live in our community and family.
This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Melissa Green

CLOSING HYMN: CP #460, Lord, the Light of your Love is shining Danielle

Lord the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth you now bring us,
Shine on me,
Shine on me.

Refrain

*Shine Jesus shine;
Fill the world with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze;
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow:
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word,
Lord and let there be light.*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness;
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness,
Shine on me,
Shine on me.

Refrain

*Shine Jesus shine;
Fill the world with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze;
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow:
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word,
Lord and let there be light.*

As we gaze on your kingly presence,
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here may our lives tell you story,
Shine on me,
Shine on me.

Refrain

*Shine Jesus shine;
Fill the world with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze;
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow:
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;*

*Send forth your word,
Lord and let there be light.*

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Piano Postlude: They'll know we are Christians by our Love by Hayes -(c) 2006 Lorenz

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WORSHIP MINISTERS at 10 a.m. service

Worship Leaders: Rev Dan Hines, Melissa Green; Music Director: Gail Ovington; Pianist: Pat Rustand; Hymn Leaders: Danielle Goodwin, Jim Waldie; Guitarist: Dan Hines; Altar Guild: Miriam Baskin, Catherina Miller; Greeter: Lynn Snook; Lock Up: Bob King ; Prayers of the People: Jon Buckle; Readers: Alison McKinnon, Miriam Baskin; Prayer Ministry: Rev Barbara Liotskos, David Lidster

ST. PAUL'S THRIFT SHOP UPDATE

October 2021

St Paul's Thrift Shop has been closed since March 2020 due to COVID.

In the past couple of weeks, we have reviewed the COVID protocols from government as well as St. Paul's protocols. After looking at these protocols and trying to figure out how we could open and be safe both for our customers and our staff, we have determined that we CANNOT REOPEN at this time.

In mid to late January, we will again review the possibility of reopening. Whether or not we reopen will be dependent on COVID numbers, protocols and the number of volunteers we will have available.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Elaine Parkes or Elizabeth Kavanagh or leave a message at the office.

Until further notice, we are unable to accept any donations. For the current time, please consider taking your donations to another charitable thrift shop.