

St. Paul's Cathedral

Territory of the People

Anglican Church of Canada, Kamloops, BC

Joyful, Rooted, Hospitable, Responsive

September 25th, 2022 – 4th Sunday of the Season of Creation

Today's service originates from the traditional territory of the Tk'emplúps 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.

Prelude: *Hear us O Father*, by Price and Besig -© 1989, Harold Flammer



OPENING HYMN: It's a Song of Praise to the Maker - MV 30

It's a song of praise to the Maker, the thrush sings high in the tree. It's a song of praise to the Maker, the gray whale sings in the sea, And by the Spirit you and I can join our voices to the Holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

It's a call of life to the Giver when waves and waterfalls roar. It's a call of life to the Giver when high tides break on the shore, And by the Spirit you and I can join our voices to the Holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the bumble bees hum along. It's a hymn of Love to the Lover; the summer breeze joins the song, And by the Spirit you and I can join our voices to the Holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

It's the chorus of all creation; it's sung by all living things. It's the chorus of all creation; a song the universe sings, And by the Spirit you and I can join our voices to the Holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Len

In this time and place,
we gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the
Tk'emplups te Secwepemc – Kamloops and Area First Nation.
From many places and peoples we come to this house of prayer.

In this time and place,
we meet in the presence of the living God.
The living God who creates us and all that is.

In this time and place,
the risen Christ stands in our midst.
The risen Christ who accompanies us and all people.

In this time and place,
God's Holy Spirit breathes in and through us.
The Holy Spirit who transforms us and all life.

In this time and place,
together, one people of God.
**In the name of God, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

God is with us, in our midst and always,
the love at our beginning and without end.
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION

**Creator of All,
From your communion of love your Word went forth to create a
symphony of life that sings your praise.**

**By your Holy Wisdom you made the Earth to bring forth a diversity of
creatures who praise you in their being. Day after day they pour forth
speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.**

**You called human beings to till and keep your garden. You placed us into
right relationships with each creature so that we could listen to their**

voices, and learn how to safeguard the conditions for life. But we turn in on ourselves and away from our co-creatures.

We close our ears to the counsel of our fellow creatures. We fail to listen to the cries of the poor and the needs of the most vulnerable. We silence the voices of those who hold the traditions that teach us to care for the Earth. We close our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the Scriptures.

We lament the loss of our fellow species and their habitats that will never speak again. We grieve the loss of human cultures, along with the lives and livelihoods that have been displaced or perished. Creation cries out as forests crackle, and animals alike flee the fires of injustice that we have lit by our unwillingness to listen.

In this Season of Creation, we pray that you would call to us, as from the burning bush, with the sustaining fire of your Spirit. Breathe upon us. Open our ears and move our hearts. Turn us from our inward gaze. Teach us to contemplate your creation, and listen for the voice of each creature declaring your glory. For “faith comes from hearing.”

Give us hearts to listen for the good news of your promise to renew the face of the Earth. Enlighten us with the grace to follow the Way of Christ as we learn to walk lightly upon this holy ground. Fill us with the hope to quench the fires of injustice with the light of your healing love that sustains our common home.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. 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, **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.

Hymn as children leave for Sunday School: I am walking a Path of Peace
MV 221: I am walking a path of Peace (3X)

Lead me Home, lead me Home.

(Repeat)

COLLECT: Let us pray

Rev. Len

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 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.

JEREMIAH 32:1-3A, 6-15

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

PSALM 91:1-6, 14-16

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.**"

He shall deliver you from the snare of the hunter **and from the deadly pestilence.**

He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge under his wings; **his faithfulness shall be a shield and buckler.**

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.**

With long life will I satisfy him, **and show him my salvation.**

PSALM 91:1-6, 14-16

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO TIMOTHY

Rachel Long

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.

1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

GRADUAL: CP #531 On Eagles' Wings 2 verses & refrain before Gospel and continues after the gospel.

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,
My rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.*

Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under his wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.

Refrain

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.*

GOSPEL

Rev. Len

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.'"

LUKE 16:19-31

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

GRADUAL: CP #531 On Eagles' Wings - continues

You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,

Near you it shall not come.

Refrain

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.*

For to his angels he's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Refrain

*And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.*

Text and music: Ps 91; para. Michel Jonas (1951-).

SERMON

Rev. Len

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

CONFESSON 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) Rev. Len
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN: Like a Healing Stream (MV# 144)

Like a healing stream in a barren desert,
Spirit water bringing life to dusty earth,
God is trickling through our lives as in a dream unfolding,
promising revival and rebirth...
like a healing stream.

Like a gentle rain on a thirsty garden,
Spirit water come to nourish tiny seed,

God is bubbling through the soil to coax a new creation,
yearning for an end to want and need...
like a gentle rain.

Like a river strong with a restless current,
Spirit water rushing on to distant shore,
God is carving out a channel in a new direction,
calling for an end to hate and war...
like a river strong.

Like a mighty sea reaching far horizons,
Spirit water with a love both deep and wide,
God is carving out a channel in a new tomorrow:
God will always challenge and provide!
Like a mighty sea,
like a river strong,
like a gentle rain,
like a healing stream.

by Bruce Harding -(c) 1993, Bruce Harding

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory.
Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our
hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ
our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 4

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.

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:

**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.**

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

Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.
(the gifts are elevated):

We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

**We welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls and our strength, with the saints we worship you,
with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world. Grant us your peace.

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

God in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church,
so that we who have been fed with holy things
may fulfil your will in the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.

BLESSING:

Rev. Len

DISMISSAL SONG: Go now in Peace

(sing twice)

Go now in Peace, go now in peace
May the love of God surround you ev'rywhere,
Ev'rywhere, you may go.
by Natalie Sleeth -(c) 1976, Hinshaw

CLOSING HYMN: God of Grace and God of Glory - CP 577

God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your power;
now fulfill your church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us
scorn your Christ, assail his ways.
Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness.
Bend our pride to your control.
Shame our wanton selfish gladness,
rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces
in the fight for liberty.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

lest we fail ourselves and thee,
lest we fail ourselves and thee.

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POSTLUDE: *We are in the hand of Christ* by John Raney -(c) 2004, Hope Pub.

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WORSHIP MINISTERS at 10 a.m. service

Presider, Presider, Gospeller- Len Fraser; Lay Administristers – Alison McKinnon; Coffee – Wendy McLean, Rhonda Jensen; Altar Guild - Miriam Baskin, Catherina Miller, Mercedes Liburd; Greeters – Linda Jackson, Mavis Chalmers; Lock Up- Jim Waldie; Prayers of the People – DJ Clarke;
Readers – Bridget Jensen, Rae Long; Organist – Pat Rustand
Hymn Leader – Danielle Goodwin; Offering Counter – Jim Waldie
Server – Joan Lukow, O'Della Grundy; Technology - Pat, Dylan

Upcoming Events

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the service for a finger food lunch to celebrate Len's last service as our interim leader.

Sunday School - This week in Sunday School we will hear the parable of the rich man and Lazarus and learn about different ways and times that we can ask, "How can I help?"

On Sundays starting Oct 2nd – As of Sunday, October 2nd will be Rev Dr Kyle Norman's first service with us, we are asking that everyone begins to wear their **name tags** again to help Kyle and his family learn our names. **Please note that** Kyle has advised that due to medical reasons, his wife, Alicia, is unable to shake hands.

Do you want the church decorated for Thanksgiving? We are in need of produce or flowers to be brought to the Church on Saturday Oct 8th between 9:30 – 10 am. These donations may come from your garden or purchased elsewhere to help with the decorating. For more information, contact Miriam Baskin at 250-372-8827.

Cathedral Thrift Shop: open on Friday from 9:30am-1:30pm.

Are you looking for a new way to serve St. Paul's? Think about become a member of the Greeters, Servers or Altar Guild Ministry. Training would be provided by each ministry and you usually work as part of a team and wouldn't be on your own until you are you are comfortable. Please contact the office for more information or to volunteer. Thank-you.

Friday Family Food and Fun would like to say thank you to everyone who has offered jars. With the number offered, we should now have lots for our October craft. Please contact Cathy Shether if you have any questions.

Season of Creation: Thursday Sept 29, 2022 – Lecture & Lunch with James Gordon: Managing Waste

PWRDF WILD-RIDE fundraising campaign is in response to the announcement from the United Nations High Commission for Refugees that the number of refugees and displaced persons in the world has surpassed 100 million people, more than any time in human history. PWRDF Wild Ride is replacing Ride for Refuge, which we have participated in since 2014. However, with significant changes being made to that event in 2022, PWRDF have decided to organize our own campaign. The PWRDF Wild Ride campaign will accept donations until October 8, 2022 in support of our partners who work with refugees or internally displaced persons (IDPs). There will be a celebration webinar on October 18, 2022

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