

St. PAUL'S
ANGLICAN CHURCH



A Parish of
The Diocese of
New Westminster
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

ONLINE SUNDAY WORSHIP

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 17, 2020 AT 11.00 AM

BEFORE THE SERVICE

Welcome to our Online Service.

In preparation, you may want to think about posture and your environment at home. You may find it helpful to light a candle, place or hold a cross...whatever is helpful.

Music performed by Dr Greg Caisley.

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Minister gives the Announcements and welcomes everyone. A Territorial acknowledgement that we worship on the traditional unceded territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh is made.

HYMN “Amazing Grace”

*Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.*

*T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed.*

*Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far
and Grace will lead me home.*

*The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.*

*Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.*

THE GREETING

Minister Drawn from many backgrounds and experiences,
All **God gathers us as one body.**

Minister Bringing our whole selves before our Maker,
All **God transforms us more and more into who we were created to be.**

Minister We stand together as people loved by God,
All **and who are called to love others in ordinary and extraordinary ways.**

Minister Brothers and sisters in Christ,
let us praise and worship God who has called us together.

Let us celebrate God's majesty,
and delight in the wonder of God's love.
Together we shall confess our sins
and receive assurance that we are forgiven.
As the scriptures are read,
we can allow God's word to speak to us,
and ponder its meaning for our lives.

In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness,
we pray for others as well as for ourselves,
and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.
All this we do,
because we believe in the presence among us
of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

Minister Dear friends in Christ,
as we turn our hearts and minds
to worship almighty God,
let us confess our sins.

All **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.

Minister Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Minister Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
riches beyond imagination.
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown God.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.

The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us.

For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

ACTS 17:22-31

Minister This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Reader +The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them." JOHN 14:15-21

Reader The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

After the Homily there will be a period of time for reflection.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Minister Let us confess our faith as we say,
All **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.**

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Margaret Trim

Taizé O Lord hear my prayer

***O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer;
when I call answer me.***

***O Lord, hear my prayer,
O Lord, hear my prayer;
come and listen to me.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All **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 forever. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister Glory to God

All **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.

Minister May Christ,
who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,
fill you with his new life;
and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of Life,
be with you always.

All **Amen.**

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

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