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# St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

*servicing North Vancouver since 1899*

***September 29, 2024***

***Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

***Truth and Reconciliation Sunday***

***10:00 a.m. Family Eucharist***

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Patrick Blaney*

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## **WELCOME**

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. We ask that you please turn all cell phones and other electronic devices to silent or "off". Thank you.

After the service, we invite everyone (especially newcomers!) to join us for coffee or tea, and visit our Welcome Table downstairs in the Lounge. This is a place where you can learn more about the various activities and groups here at St. John's, find contact information, ways to get involved and have fun! We look forward to getting to know you better!

### **Ministering today at our 10:00 a.m. service:**

Celebrant & Preacher:	The Reverend Patrick Blaney
Liturgical Assistant:	Jill Parsons
Crucifer and Altar Server:	Hazel Breakey
Music Director	Galina Martyniuk (Piano, Organ)
Choir Director:	Christie Smith
Readers:	Janet Harris, Diane Johnson
Intercessor:	Donna Lawrence
Eucharistic Administrators:	Linda Harrison, Christine Williams
Welcome Table:	Donna Lawrence

### **Flowers in the Sanctuary today:**

*The official 2024 Flower Calendar is in the Narthex. Please sign up for the Sunday that you would like to donate Altar Flowers, even if you signed up somewhere else previously. If you have any questions, please contact Donna in the office.*

### **Offertory Plate:**

Your thoughtful and generous gifts to St. John's enable our worship and ministries to our community. One-time or recurring donations can be made by visiting our website [www.stjohnnv.ca](http://www.stjohnnv.ca), or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone. We invite you to place an "electronic donation" card (available in the narthex) in the collection plate when it is passed around.



### **Prelude & Announcements**

PENITENCE

## 615 Just As I Am



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy  
2 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,  
3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya



blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me come to  
heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in thee to  
con - flict, man - ya doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with -



thee,  
find,  
out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.



## ***Territorial Acknowledgement***

Celebrant            The community of St. John's acknowledges that we live, work and worship on the ancestral and unceded land of the Coast Salish Peoples: The Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh Nations. May the reconciling love of Christ be reflected in our words and in our actions.

## ***Honouring the Four Directions***

*A prayer resource based on the colours of the medicine wheel.*

Leader            Come Great Spirit, as we gather in your name.

We face East:

To your symbol colour Red, the hue of revelation;  
 To your animal symbol the Eagle, strong and nurturing;  
 To your lessons calling us to the balance of your  
 Spirit in Harmony with brothers and sisters;  
 To invoke your wisdom and grace,  
 the goodness of the ages,  
 We pray:

**ALL            COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.**

Leader            We turn to face South:  
 To your symbol colour Gold for the morning star.  
 To your symbol Brother Sun that enlightens our intellect  
 and brings light on our path to live responsibly;  
 To your lessons calling us to balance of Mind  
 in the Spirit of humility;  
 To invoke your spirit of illumination and far sighted vision;  
 Help us to love you and one another with our whole heart,  
 our whole mind, and our whole soul,  
 We pray:

**ALL            COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.**

Leader We turn to face West:  
 To your symbol colour Black, still and quiet.  
 To your animal symbol the Thunderbird;  
 To your symbol the Thunder mighty and purposeful;  
 To your lessons calling us to balance our emotions  
 in the spirit of Gentleness and Honesty;  
 To invoke your spirit of introspection, seeing within;  
 Give us your strength and the courage to endure,  
 We pray:

**All COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.**

Leader We turn to face North:  
 To your symbol colour white of clarity and brightness.  
 To your animal symbol the swan  
 which brings us in touch with  
 Mother Earth and growing things;  
 To your lessons calling us to balance of  
 our Body in the spirit of a good sense of humor;  
 To invoke your spirit of innocence, trust and love;  
 Help us to open our eyes to  
 the sacredness of every living thing,  
 We pray:

**All COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME.**

We turn to complete the circle and to look:  
 To God, our Creator  
 who cleanses our Mother Earth with snow, wind and rain;  
 To Jesus Christ,  
 the Peacemaker who fills us with the wideness of mercy  
 and Lovingly embraces all,  
 and the Holy Spirit who inspires us to action.  
 We pray:

**All COME HOLY SPIRIT, COME. Amen**

## ***The Gathering of the Community***

Celebrant            The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.  
**All                    And also with you.**

Celebrant            Almighty God,  
**All                    to you all hearts are open,  
all desires are 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.**

## ***The Collect***

Celebrant            Creator God,  
**All                    from you every family in heaven  
and on earth takes its name.  
You have rooted and grounded us  
in your covenant love,  
and empowered us by your Spirit  
to speak the truth in love,  
and to walk in your way towards  
justice and wholeness.  
Mercifully grant that your people,  
journeying together in partnership,  
may be strengthened and guided  
to help one another  
to grow into the full stature of Christ,  
who is our light and our life. Amen.**

## ***The Proclamation of the Word***

***The First Reading:*** Read by Janet Harris.  
A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place and I did not know it!" And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

Genesis 28:10-17

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

**All Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 103:19-22***

Please remain seated for the saying of the Psalm together.

Liturgical

Assistant Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**All           The Lord has set his throne in heaven,  
and his kingship has dominion over all.**

**Bless the Lord, you angels of his,  
you mighty ones who do his bidding,  
and hearken to the voice of his word.**

**Bless the Lord, all you his hosts,  
you ministers of his who do his will.**

**Bless the Lord, all you works of his,  
in all places of his dominion;  
bless the Lord, O my soul.**

Liturgical

Assistant Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God.

**All           As it was in the beginning,  
is now and will be forever. Amen.**



**The Second Reading:** Read by Diane Johnson.  
A reading from the Revelation to John.

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world - he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

Revelation 12:7-12

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**Gradual Hymn** Before the singing of the Gospel, the first two verses of the Gradual Hymn are sung. Please stand as you are able for the Gospel.

CHRISTIAN YEAR Michael and All Angels

## 272 Christ, the Fair Glory of the Holy Angels

*Unison*

1 Christ, the fair glo - ry of the ho - ly an - gels, mak - er of  
 2 Send thine arch - an - gel Mi - chael to our suc - cour; peace - mak - er  
 3 Send thine arch - an - gel Ga - bri - el, the might - y; her - ald of  
 4 Send from the heav - ens Ra - phael thine arch - an - gel, health - bring - er

all things, rul - er of all na - tions, grant of thy mer - cy  
 bless - ed, may he ban - ish from us striv - ing and ha - tred,  
 heav - en, may he, from us mor - tals, drive ev - ery e - vil,  
 bless - ed, aid - ing ev - ery suf - ferer, that, in thy ser - vice,

un - to us thy ser - vants steps up to heav - en.  
 so that for the peace - ful all things may pros - per.  
 watch - ing o'er the tem - ples where thou art wor - shipped.  
 he may wise - ly guide us, heal - ing and bless - ing.

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 COELITES PLAUDANT

Text: Attrib. Rabanus Maurus (776-856); tr. J. Athelstan L. Riley (1858-1945), alt.  
 Music: Melody Antiphoner, Rouen, 1728; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).  
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## The Gospel — Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Liturgical Assistant      The Lord be with you.

**All**                              **And also with you.**

Liturgical Assistant      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

**All**                              **Glorify to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

John 1:47-51

Liturgical Assistant      The Gospel of Christ.

**All**                              **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*At the conclusion of the Gospel, the last two verses of the Gradual hymn are sung.*

**Sermon**

The Reverend Patrick Blaney

***Remembering the Children Prayer***

**All            God of our Ancestors,  
                  who holds the spirits of our  
                  grandmothers and grandfathers  
                  and the spirits of our grandchildren,  
                  Remembering the Children,  
                  we now pledge ourselves to speak the Truth,  
                  and with our hearts and our souls  
                  to act upon the Truth we have heard  
                  of the injustices lived,  
                  of the sufferings inflicted,  
                  of the tears cried,  
                  of the misguided intentions imposed,  
                  and of the power of prejudice and racism  
                  which were allowed to smother  
                  the sounds and laughter of the forgotten children.  
                  Hear our cries of lament  
                  for what was allowed to happen,  
                  and for what will never be.  
                  In speaking and hearing and acting upon the Truth  
                  may we as individuals and as a nation  
                  meet the hope of a new beginning.  
                  Great Creator God  
                  who desires that all creation live in harmony and peace,  
                  Remembering the Children  
                  we dare to dream of a Path of Reconciliation  
                  where apology from the heart leads to  
                  healing of the heart  
                  and the chance of restoring the circle,  
                  where justice walks with all,  
                  where respect leads to true partnership,  
                  where the power to change comes from each heart.  
                  Hear our prayer of hope,  
                  and guide this country of Canada  
                  on a new and different path. Amen**

## ***The Apostles' Creed***

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, 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.**

# Prayers of the People

Please take whatever position is best for you for prayer.

The first system of music consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are: "lis - ten, Lord, lis - ten, Lord,"

The second system of music consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are: "not to our words but to our prayer.— You a-lone,"

The third system of music consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are: "you a-lone un-der-stand and care."

## ***A Litany for the Healing and Restoration of our Church***

*From the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land, 2017*

Holy Creator, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,

**Have mercy on us.**

Risen Christ, through whom the whole creation is reconciled to God,

**Have mercy on us.**

Life-giving Spirit, whose love and truth fills the world and searches the depths of our lives,

**Have mercy on us.**

Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,

**Have mercy on us.**

From our failure to recognize and respect the revelation of your truth and love in the First Peoples of this land,

**Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

From our participation in the systematic oppression of Indigenous sovereignty, language, culture and spirituality,

**Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

From our role in the Indian Residential Schools designed to eliminate the unique society, wisdom and beauty of the Indigenous peoples of this land,

**Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

From our complicit tolerance of the decimation of Indigenous family structures leaving children vulnerable to abuses of every kind,

**Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

From our continued acceptance of unjust legal, educational, health and social structures that continue to oppress and destroy the lives of many Indigenous people,

**Saviour, forgive and heal us.**

O God, we pray for the gifts of your grace and your love which never gives up on us and is forever faithful. Inspire our minds with a vision of the reconciliation of your kingdom in this time and place.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our eyes, that we may see the sacredness in all creation.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth of every peoples the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our lips, that we may speak of the beauty of every tongue and dialect proclaiming the wonderful works of God.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our hearts, that we may discern your mission in which you call us to be immersed, particularly in partnership with the First Peoples of this land.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our minds that we may witness to your Good News in our neighbourhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Touch our hands, that we may forever shun violence and embrace the work you give us to do.

**Hear us, O Christ.**

Draw your Church together, O Lord, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving you in your mission in the world, and together witnessing to your love on every continent and island of your creation. We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ in whom we are one.

**Amen.**



**The Church:** Archbishop Lynne McNaughton our Metropolitan, Bishop John Stephens, Linda Nicholls, who retired as Primate, and Archbishop Anne Germond, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, who has become Acting Primate. We pray for Archbishop Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and Presiding Elder of the Sacred Circle. Also, we pray for Patrick our Priest. For Jill in her discernment, work and studies to become an Anglican Priest. For the Archdeaconry of Fraser - the Venerable Luisito Engnan, Regional Archdeacon; Chaplains to the Retired Clergy - the Reverend Karin Fulcher, Archdeacon Andrew Pike. For Primate Brent Alawas, Bishop Benny Lang-akan and the Clergy and People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines. Our companion parish, St John the Evangelist Mission and Outstations, Pasnadan, The Reverend Tristan Bati-el.

**The Local Community:** City & District of North Vancouver, Queen Mary Community School, Lookout Housing and Health Society of the North Shore.

**The World:** *Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

**Those in Need:** For those who are sick, hospitalized and in need of our prayers. This week, our prayers are requested especially for these members and friends of our St. John's faith community: John & Pat Riddell, Lynne Shozawa, Laurie Stringer, Mir and his family, Madeline Cooper, Ron and Rosemary Paxon, Maria Morellato, Frances Bruce, Sherry Magh, Gasem Magh.

**The Dearly Departed:** We pray for Alison, Steve, Heather and Evan, their families and friends as they mourn the loss of beloved father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Ken Brookfield; for the family and friends of Chris Bond as they mourn his loss; for all loved ones who will live forever in our hearts

**In Thanksgiving:** In our cycle of prayer, we pray for these members of our faith community: Joan Hodgson, Jo Lynne Hoegg, Pam Hope, June Howie, Tom and Catherine Hoy, Carolyn and Steve Iker

## ***Confession and Absolution***

Celebrant            Dear friends in Christ,  
                           God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
                           God welcomes us  
                           and invites us to this table.  
                           Let us confess our sins,  
                           confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept*

Celebrant            Most merciful God,  
**All                    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.**

Celebrant            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.  
**All                    Amen.**

## ***Sharing of The Peace***

*We stand as we are able and greet our neighbours in the peace of Christ.*

Celebrant            May the peace of Christ always be with you.  
**All                    And also with you.**

CREATION

## 415 All Things Bright and Beautiful

*Refrain*

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,

*Last time*

all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.

1 Each ra - diant flower that o - pens, each vi - brant bird that sings,  
 2 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,  
 3 The rock - y moun - tain splen - dour, the loon's wild, haunt - ing call,  
 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

*To refrain*

God made their glow - ing col - ours, God made their live - ly wings.  
 the ripe fruit in the gar - den, God made them ev - ery one.  
 the great lakes and the prai - ries, the for - est in the fall.  
 how great is the Cre - a - tor, who has made all things well.

# ***The Celebration of the Eucharist***

## ***Preparation of the Gifts***

*The liturgical assistants set the Altar and prepare the gifts of bread and wine for the Eucharist. The Offertory Plate, that holds your money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church, is then brought forward to be blessed before the Altar.*

## ***Doxology***

**All**                    **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

## ***The Prayer Over the Gifts***

Celebrant            God of Glory,  
**All**                    **as you have appointed angels  
to minister in your presence,  
so may all our worship bring you worthy praise.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**



**All**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
 God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest.  
 Blessed is The One who comes  
 in the name of the Lord.  
 Hosanna in the highest,  
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant

Holy God, source of life and goodness,  
 all creation rightly gives you praise.  
 In the fullness of time,  
 you sent your Son Jesus Christ,  
 to share our human nature,  
 to live and die as one of us,  
 to reconcile us to you,  
 the God and Father of all.  
 He healed the sick  
 and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;  
 he opened the eyes of the blind  
 and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom  
 to the poor and to those in need.  
 In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death,  
 our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,  
 and when he had given thanks to you,  
 he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,  
 and said, "Take, eat:  
 this is my body which is given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;  
 and when he had given thanks,  
 he gave it to them,  
 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.”

Celebrant

Gracious God,  
his perfect sacrifice  
destroys the power of sin and death;  
by raising him to life  
you give us life for evermore.  
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All**

**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

Celebrant

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection,  
and looking for his coming again in glory,  
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.  
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts,  
that all who eat and drink at this table  
may be one body and one holy people,  
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is yours, almighty Father,  
now and for ever.

**All**

**Amen.**

Celebrant

**All**

As our Saviour taught us to pray, let us sing,  
**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 Breaking of the Bread***

Celebrant            We break this bread  
                         to share in the body of Christ

**All                    We, being many, are one body,  
                         for we all share in the one bread.**

## ***The Communion***

Celebrant            The Gifts of God, for the people of God.

**All                    Thanks be to God.**

*All who love God and desire Christ are welcome to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the Eucharistic Administrator know if you wish to receive one. Please note intinction, (dipping the bread into the wine), is not permitted.*



# This is the body of Christ

Words & music: John L. Bell

*gently*

This is the bo - dy of Christ, — bro - ken that we may be

The first system of music consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in 3/8 time. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

whole; — this cup, as prom - ised by God, true to his

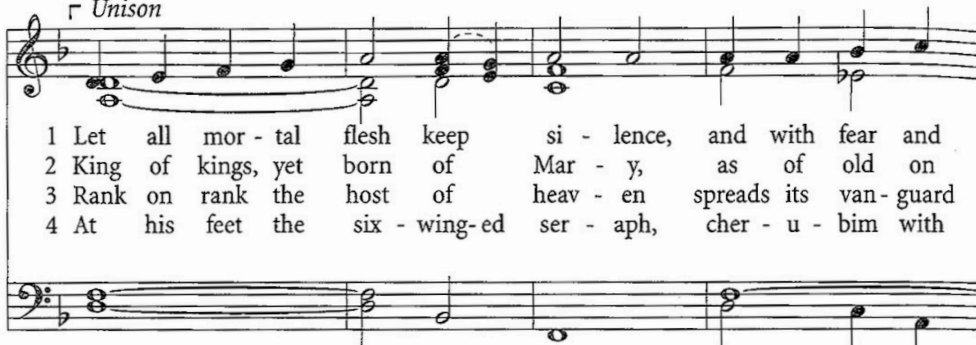
The second system of music continues the melody and bass line from the first system. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

word, cra - dles our Lord: — food for the good of the soul. —


The third system of music concludes the piece. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

## 48 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

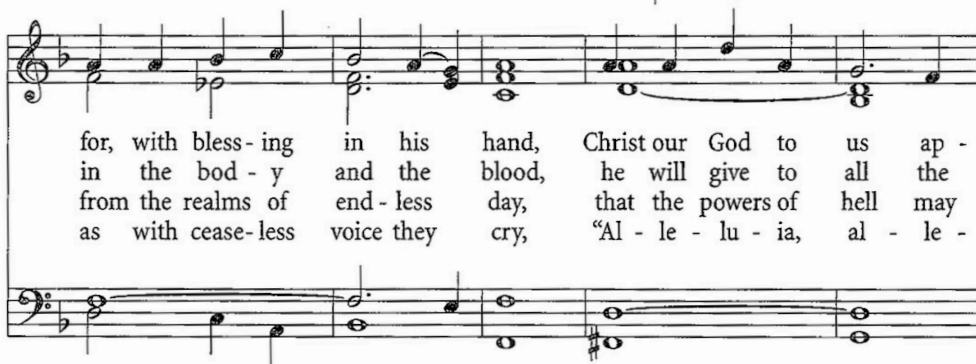
Unison



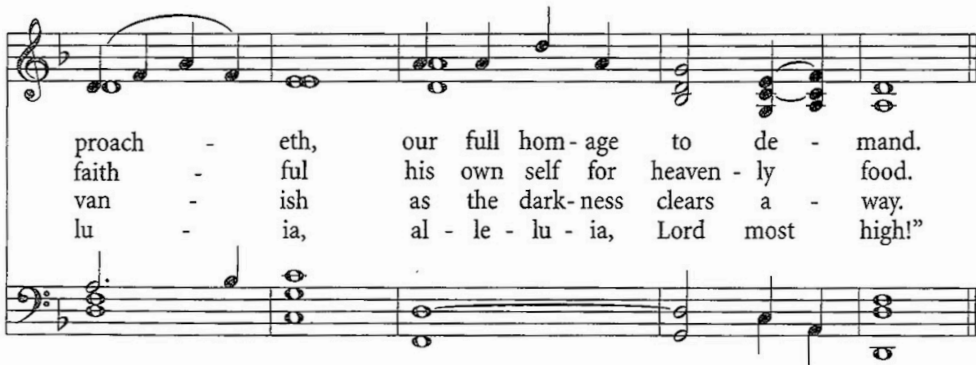
1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van - guard  
 4 At his feet the six - wing - ed ser - aph, cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
 earth he stood, Lord of lords, in hu - man ves - ture,  
 on the way, as the Light of light de - scend - eth  
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the pres - ence,



for, with bless - ing in his hand, Christ our God to us ap -  
 in the bod - y and the blood, he will give to all the  
 from the realms of end - less day, that the powers of hell may  
 as with cease - less voice they cry, "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



proach - eth, our full hom - age to de - mand.  
 faith - ful his own self for heav - en - ly food.  
 van - ish as the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, Lord most high!"

EUCCHARIST

## 61 As We Gather at Your Table

Unison  $\text{Em}$   $\text{D/E}$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{A/E}$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{Em/G}$

1 As we gath - er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten  
2 Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra -  
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to

$\text{G/B}$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{Bm}^7$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{D}$

to your word, help us know, O God, your pres - ence;  
ment of life; send us forth to love and serve you,  
share that feast where tri - um - phant Love will wel - come

$\text{Am}$   $\text{Bm}$   $\text{Am}$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{Am}$   $\text{F}$   $\text{Am}$

let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nour - ish us with sa - cred  
bring - ing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great com -  
those who had been last and least. There no more will en - vy

$\text{Em}$   $\text{Am}$   $\text{F}\sharp\text{m}^7$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{Bm}^7$   $\text{Em}$   $\text{Am}^7$

sto - ry till we claim it as our own; teach us through this  
pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave; may we still be -  
blind us, nor will pride our peace de - stroy, as we join with

$\text{Em}$   $\text{D}$   $\text{G}$   $\text{Am}$   $\text{C}$   $\text{D}$   $\text{Em}$

ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - tory known.  
hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

## ***Prayer after Communion***

Celebrant            Eternal God,  
**All                    you have fed us with the bread of angels.  
                         May we who come under their protection,  
                         like them give you continual service and praise;  
                         through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ***The Doxology***

Celebrant            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.**

## ***The Blessing***

PRAISE

## 323 Ye Holy Angels Bright

*Descant*

4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove,

1 Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right hand,  
 2 Ye bless - ed souls at rest, who ran this earth - ly race,  
 3 Ye saints, who toil be - low, a - dore your heaven - ly King,  
 4 My soul, bear thou thy part, tri - umph in God a - bove,

and with a well - tuned heart sing thou the

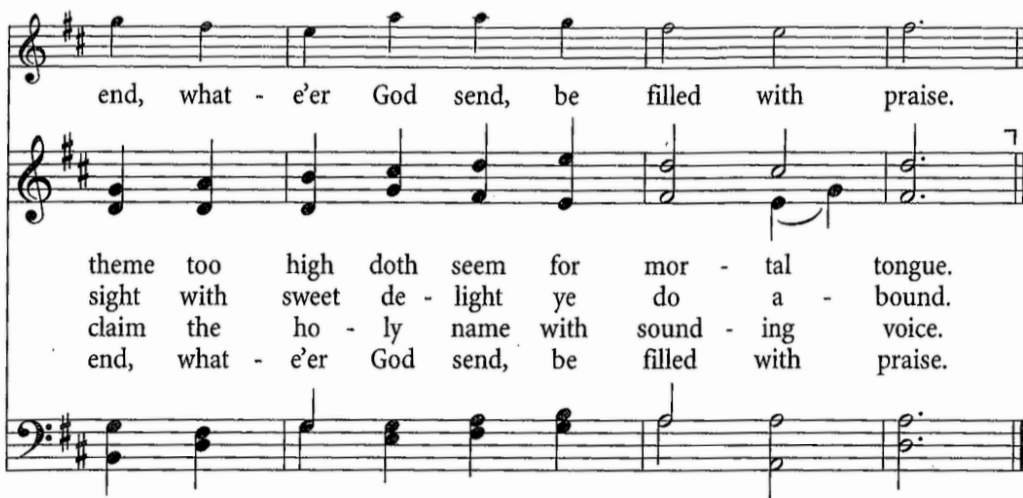
or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's  
 and now, from sin re - leased, be - hold the Sav -  
 and on - ward as ye go some joy - ful an -  
 and with a well - tuned heart sing thou the songs

songs of love! Let all thy days till life shall

com - mand, as - sist our song, or else the  
 iour's face, your prais - es sound as in God's  
 them sing; in God re - joice, and thus pro -  
 of love! Let all thy days till life shall

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end, what - e'er God send, be filled with praise.

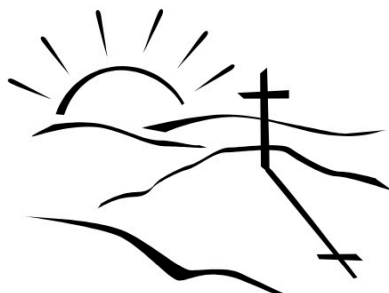
theme too high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.  
 sight with sweet de - light ye do a - bound.  
 claim the ho - ly name with sound - ing voice.  
 end, what - e'er God send, be filled with praise.

## ***Dismissal***

Priest  
**People**

Words of Dismissal.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Postlude - for those who wish to remain*



Thank you for blessing us with your presence today.  
 Please do join us downstairs in the Lounge  
 for our tea and coffee fellowship.

## **A St. John's Heritage Moment**

### ***St. John's 125th Anniversary Year - Doing God's Love for 125 Years***

While St. John's Anglican Church is celebrating 125 years of service and worship in North Vancouver, we mentioned recently our current building was built in 1987.

On February 8th, 1985, our minister Reverend Murrin and the two church wardens were awakened in the middle of the night by local authorities. The 75-year old church building had been destroyed by fire. While firefighters continued to bring the conflagration under control, parishioners pulled out any items they could salvage, taking them to the church hall to be cleaned and sorted. Ian McMordie and Ken Jeanes led a team who worked through the day and into the night, pulling out records, plaques, and anything of value that could be salvaged.

A prayer service was held that evening in the Memorial Hall (this was before the building was converted into a daycare), which soon became the temporary sanctuary. On Sunday morning, the hall was overflowing with parishioners, neighbours, and representatives of the deanery. Almost everyone wept as the congregation sang "Now Thank We All Our God", signalling the determination to carry on stronger than ever as the parish of St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church.

*Do you have an idea for a St. John's Heritage Moment?*

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