

ST. TIMOTHY ANGLICAN CHURCH

Meeting on the Traditional Territories of the
Musqueam, Squamish, & Tsleil Waututh Nations

AUGUST 13, 2023 – 11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



10:00 am – Holy Communion

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading:

Genesis 37.1-4, 12-28

Mary Barbosa

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness but lay no hand on him" - that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm:

Psalm 105.1-6, 16-22, 45b

by George Black

Refrain:



Re - call the won - ders that God has per - formed.

Give thanks to our God and call upon the holy Name; make known God's deeds among the peoples. Sing to God, sing praises to the Holy One, and speak of all God's marvellous works. ***Refrain***

Glory in the holy Name; let the hearts of those who seek God rejoice. Let us search for you and your strength, O God, let us continually seek your face. ***Refrain***

Let us remember the marvels you have done, your wonders and the judgments of your mouth, O offspring of Abraham your servant, O children of Jacob your chosen. ***Refrain***

Then you called for a famine in the land and destroyed the supply of bread. You sent a man before them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave. They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar. ***Refrain***

Until his prediction came to pass, the word of God tested him. The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free. ***Refrain***

He set him as master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions, To instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom. Hallelujah! ***Refrain***

Second Reading:

Romans 10.5-15

William Constable

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone

to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

CP # 709

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 14.22-33

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

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CP # 709

Sermon: The Rev. Paula Porter Leggett

Opportunity for Contemplation with Musical Interlude

Erica Buchignani

- 1. I believe in God almighty, Father of all things that be, maker of the earth and heavens, keeper of the sky and sea. I believe in God’s Son, Jesus, now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spirit and of Mary born to bring abundant life.**
- 2. I believe that Jesus suffered, scourged, and scorned and crucified; taken from the cross, was buried - true life there had truly died. I believe that on the third day Christ was raised up from the grave, then ascended to God’s right hand. He will come to judge and save.**
- 3. I believe in God’s own Spirit, bonding all the saints within one church, catholic and holy, where forgiveness frees from sin; in the body’s resurrection, for the breaking of death’s chain gives the life that’s everlasting: this the faith that I have claimed.**

Prayers of the People:

Geok Poon

Leader: Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, *“Lord hear our prayer.”*

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Set free all who are bound by fear and despair.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to all who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution:

Presider: Jesus says, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’
So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in
penitence and faith. *Matthew 4.17*

~ Silence is kept ~

Presider: 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.**

Presider: 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

The Peace:

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn: “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” CP # 620

Prayer over the Gifts:

Presider: Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we
may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus
Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Sursum Corda:

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Lord's Prayer

SGP # 12

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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 Breaking of the Bread:

Presider: "I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

All: Give us this bread forever.

Presider: "I am the vine; you are the branches."

All: May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

Agnus Dei: "Lamb of God"

CP # 690

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Presider: Come to this table not because you must - but because you may. Come not because you have all faith, but because you have some faith and would like to grow. Come because you love the Lord and would like to love more. Come because all is ready and because you are his body.

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

All seekers of Christ are welcome at this table. If you would like to receive Communion, please form/ join the line across the front of the chancel step. Intinction is not permitted in this Diocese. You are invited to sip the wine; touch, bow, or otherwise acknowledge the chalice of wine; or pass it by as you prefer. To bring Communion to your seat, please ask a Sides person or Greeter. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please come forward with your arms folded across your chest.

If you are joining us online or otherwise not receiving communion at this time, you may wish to say the following prayer:

"In union, O God, with all your faithful people gathered wherever the Eucharist is celebrated this day, I offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption given to us through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I pray you come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you. May I serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your promised reign of justice and peace, through Christ and in the unity of the Spirit. Amen."

Communion Hymn: “As We Gather at Your Table”

CP # 61

Prayer after Communion:

Presider: Eternal God,

All: grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Doxology:

Presider: 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, forever and ever. Amen

Announcements

The Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of God’s Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional: “Go to the World”

CP # 598

Dismissal:

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Sanctuary Flowers for today, August 13th, are given to the Glory of God by Mildred Symonds, in loving memory of her daughter, Brenda

Sanctuary Flowers for August 06th, were given to the Glory of God by Pat Henderson in loving memory of her parents & sister.

COFFEE HOUR: Following worship today, please come & join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Hall downstairs. Many thanks go to Joyce James & June Kaiser for providing the tea & coffee service today.

If you would like to help with the Coffee Hour, please contact Pat Henderson.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

FOR OUR CHURCH LEADERS: We pray for Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, Primate of Canada Linda Nicholls, National Lutheran Bishop Susan Johnson, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop Christopher Harper, Lutheran Synod of BC Bishop Kathy Martin, Anglican Bishop John Stephens. We also offer our continual prayers for our companion diocese, The Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines, Bishop - The Right Rev. Benny Lang-Akan; & for Padi (The Rev.) Cyril Santong of our companion parish, St. Timothy, Dantay.

IN THE WORLD: We pray for all who are continuing to deal with the COVID virus. We pray for peace in Ukraine and Sudan and an end to the violence.

IN OUR DIOCESE: We pray for The Vancouver School of Theology, The Rev. Richard Topping, Principal; The Rev. Rob James, The Rev. Liz Ruder-Celiz, Faculty, Staff, & Students.

IN OUR PARISH: We pray for the needs of those in the Parish of St. Timothy, particularly: the Symonds family, Lilian, Lourdes & family, Judith & family, Vivian, Ruth, Stacey & the Walsh-Lewington family, Geoff W., Gayle & family, the Wickens family, Jeannette, Philippa, Sue H.

*If you would like your name or that of your loved one on the prayer list,
please contact the Parish Office with an update.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| <i>Ongoing Tuesday</i> | 1:30–3pm | <u>Bible Study</u> – resumes on Tuesday, August 22 nd |
| <i>Ongoing Wednesday</i> | 7:30–9pm | <u>Bible Study</u> – resumes on Wednesday, August 23 rd |

St. Stephen's Community Meal

N.B. - The Community Meal is cancelled for August; but returns again in September.

Thursday Evening Compline

Come & join St. Stephen's with St. Timothy's on Thursdays from 8:30-9:00pm, for Compline Prayers offered via Zoom. Join us for a short (under 30 minutes) prayer developed by monks & nuns to be said as their last prayers before bedtime. Our Zoom-based worship is simple, meditative, & quiet.

Meeting ID: 820 4853 6733 Passcode: 034102 Dial In: 778 907 2071

***Today, we welcome and thank the Rev. Paula Porter Leggett
for leading us in worship while Rev. James is away.***

The Parish of St. Timothy is an open and affirming community of Christians that welcomes **all** to worship, pray, learn, grow, share life's journeys, and to show the world God's love. Currently, we are offering Sunday Worship service at **10:00 AM**, in person as well as online.

N.B. – *Masks & hand sanitizer are available.*

*To learn more about the activities of the Parish and how you might become involved, please visit our website, find us on Facebook, join our email list, **or** you can contact the Parish Office at (604-299-6816).*

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