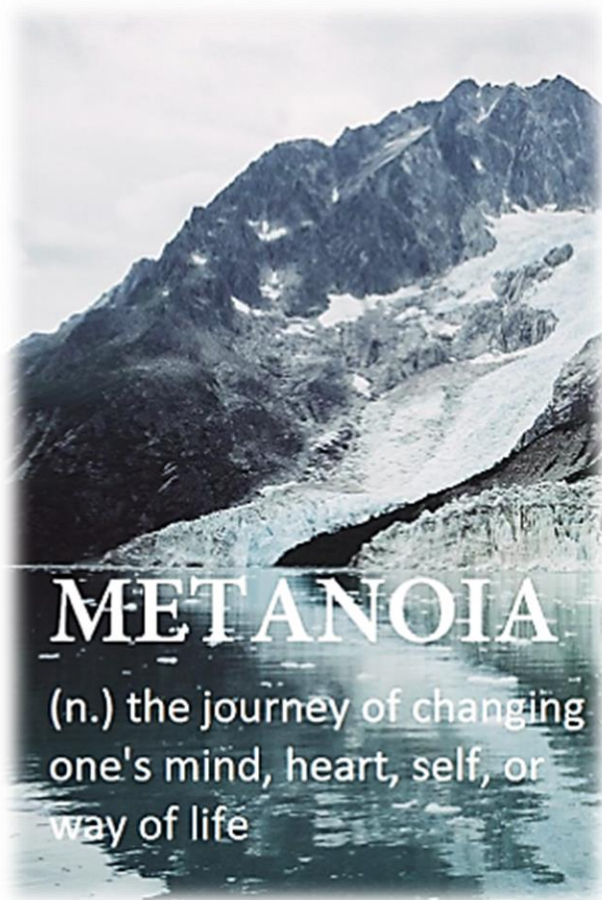


ST. TIMOTHY ANGLICAN CHURCH

Meeting on the Traditional Territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam),
Sḵw̓x̓wú7mesh (Squamish), & səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations

OCTOBER 01, 2023 – 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



10:00 AM – HOLY COMMUNION

to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?” But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do for this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 78.1-4, 12-16

Hear my teaching, O my people;

incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known, and what our ancestors have told us,

we will not hide from their children.

We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord,

who has done wonderful works.

God worked marvels in the sight of their ancestors,

in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan,

splitting open the sea and letting them pass through,

making the waters stand up like walls;

leading them with a cloud by day,

and all the night through with the glow of fire;

splitting hard rocks in the wilderness,

and giving them drink as from the great deep;

bringing streams out of the cliff,

and the waters gushing out like rivers.

Second Reading: Philippians 2.1-13

Judith Atkinson

If then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia”

CP # 709

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 21.23-32

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.

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why, then, did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not,’ but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same, and he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I tell you: the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not

believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him, and even after you saw it you did not change your minds and believe him.

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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Sermon:

The Rev. James Duckett

Opportunity for Contemplation with Musical Interlude

The Creed:

"I Believe in God Almighty"

CP # 44

- 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:

Donnie Foerster

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

~ Silence is kept ~

Leader: Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the resurrection dawn, bringing the glory of our risen Lord who makes every day new.

Especially, we thank you --

- for the sustaining goodness of your creation ...
- for the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness ...
- for the gifts of relationship with others ...
- for the communion of faith in your church ...
- for ...

Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, healing the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus, the living Lord.

Especially we pray --

- for those who govern nations of the world ...
- for the people in countries ravaged by strife or warfare ...
- for all who work for peace and international harmony ...
- for all who strive to save the earth from carelessness and destruction ...
- for the church of Jesus Christ in every land ...
- for ...

Leader: O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Confession and Absolution:

Presider: When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore, in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

~ 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: “Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts”

CP # 70

Prayer over the Gifts:

Presider: 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.

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.**

Eucharistic Prayer EP# 4:

Presider: It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

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. 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.

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. 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:

Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord" CP # 689

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.

Presider: 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.”

People: Glory to you forever and ever.

Presider: 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..

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.

People: Glory to you forever and ever. Amen.

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: Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All: So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

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.

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: “Eye Has Not Seen, Ear Has Not Heard”

CP # 548

Prayer after Communion:

Presider: Father in heaven,

All: 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:

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

Celebration of October Birthdays & Anniversaries

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.**

Dismissal:

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

All: Thanks be to God.

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Sanctuary Flowers for today are given to the Glory of God by Donnie Foerster - in thanksgiving for all God's blessings and in loving memory of her Father, Alex Rix.

COFFEE HOUR: Following worship today, please come & join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Hall downstairs. Many thanks go to Lourdes Cabral & Pat Henderson 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. We pray for all those affected in areas with extreme heat & wildfires; with heavy rains & flooding; and also those affected by recent earthquakes.

IN OUR DIOCESE: We pray for St. Francis in the Wood, West Vancouver - The Rev. Alex Wilson.

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, Stacey & the Walsh-Lewington family, Geoff W., Gayle & family, the Wickens Family, Jeannette, Philippa, Sue H., the Edwards family, Erica B., the family of Marie Heidsma.

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 Tuesdays</i> | 1:30–3pm | <u>Bible Study</u> – cancelled for October 03 rd
- resuming again on October 10 th |
| <i>Ongoing Wednesdays</i> | 7:30–9pm | <u>Bible Study</u> – <i>meeting at the church</i> |

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

St. Stephen's Community Meal

St. Stephen's is once again offering their Community Meal on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. This simple evening meal is for everyone - those whose budgets need a free meal & those who need a meal with others. Dinner is served at 5:30pm. Drop-in set up volunteers are welcome after 4:30 pm. A Vegan option will always be available. This meal is free (donations are welcome, but not required). Location: 9887 Cameron Street., Burnaby 604-421-0472

The next meal will be **Wednesday, October 18th**, 2023.

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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