

# ST. TIMOTHY ANGLICAN CHURCH

Meeting on the Traditional Territories of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam),  
S<sup>k</sup>wxwú7mesh (Squamish), & səlilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations

NOVEMBER 19, 2023 – 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



10:00 AM – HOLY COMMUNION

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

### Welcome

**Processional:**           **“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”**

CP # 425

Presider:     The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**People:**       **And also with you.**

Presider:     Almighty God,

**All:**           **to you all hearts are open, all desires 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.**

### Children’s Talk

**Gloria:**           **“Glory to God”**

CP # 686

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God, and Father,  
we worship you; we give you thanks; we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most-High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### The Collect:

Presider:     O God, from whose abundance all gifts and skills are lavishly bestowed: give us courage to use our talents as generously as you have given them, so that, being faithful to your purpose, we may share in your glory; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**All:**           **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**First Reading:**           **Judges 4.1-7**

Vern Seel

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goim. Then the Israelites

cried out to the Lord for help, for he had nine hundred chariots of iron and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophet, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, “The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, ‘Position yourself at Mount Tabor, taking ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin’s army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops, and I will give him into your hand.’”

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 123**

*by George Black*

**Refrain:**



Our eyes rest on you, God, a - noint - ing your kind - ness.

To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens. As the eyes of the servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, our God, until you show us your mercy. ***Refrain***

Have mercy upon us, O God, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt, Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud. ***Refrain***

**Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11**

Maryanne Mospajir

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, brothers, and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.

So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep

we may live with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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 25.14-30**

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.**

Jesus said, “For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. At once the one who had received the five talents went off and traded with them and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them.

Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things; I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you did not scatter, so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return, I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance, but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

Deacon: The Gospel of Christ.  
All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation:** “Alleluia” CP # 709  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Sermon:** The Rev. James Duckett  
*Opportunity for Contemplation with Musical Interlude* Erica Buchignani

**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:** Caroline Chady

Leader: Gracious God, fountain of all wisdom, we pray for all Christian people; for Bishop John Stephens, for all Christian leaders, and for those who teach and guard the faith ... May the word of Christ dwell richly in our hearts and knit us together in the bond of your love. Hear us.

**All: Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader: We pray for the leaders of the nations, and for those in authority under them ... Give them the gift of your wisdom, and a right discernment in all things. Hear us.

**All: Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader: We pray for our ... (*city/town/village/community*); for those who live and work here, and for those who visit this place ... Speak your word of peace in our midst, and help us to serve one another as Christ has served us. Hear us.

**All: Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader: We pray for those who do not believe, and yet who long to know you, the very

Word of life ... Open their ears to hear your voice, and open their hearts to the knowledge of your love in Christ. Hear us.

**All: Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader: We pray for those bowed down with grief, fear or sickness, especially ... May your living Word bring comfort and healing to all those in need. Hear us.

**All: Hear us, good Lord.**

Leader: We give thanks for all those who have died in the faith of Christ, and we rejoice with St. Timothy, all your saints, trusting in the promise of your word fulfilled. Lord of life,

**All: Hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy forever. Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution:**

Presider: We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

*~ 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: “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”**

CP # 601

### **Prayer over the Gifts:**

Presider: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the

one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and 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# 5:**

Presider: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe. You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing:

**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: We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross, he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people. On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: This is my body which is given for you." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

**People: Glory to you forever and ever.**

Presider: Gracious God, with this bread and wine, we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the

breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**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: 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.**

**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: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”**

CP # 551

**Prayer after Communion:**

Presider: God of abundance,

**All: with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, so that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life 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**

**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: “Alleluia No. 1”**

CP # 405

**Dismissal:**

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

+ + + + + + + + + + + +

+ + + + + + + + + + + +

**Sanctuary Flowers** for today are given to the Glory of God  
by Donnie Foerster - In memory of past loved ones.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Following worship today, please come & join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Hall downstairs. Many thanks go to Geok Poon & Angeline Seel 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 & an end to the violence in Ukraine; Sudan; Israel; and Palestine. We pray for all those in areas affected by heavy rains & flooding; and recent earthquakes.

**IN OUR DIOCESE:** We pray for Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, The Very Rev. Christopher Pappas, The Rev. Areetta Bridgemohan, The Rev. Clare Morgan, The Rev. Melanie Calabrigo, The Rev. Adam Dawkins, The Rev. Alisdair Smith, The Rev. Jeffery Preiss.

**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, the family of Marie Heidsma; Jon Hawes & family.

*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

---

|                           |                 |  |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--|
| <i>Ongoing Tuesdays</i>   | <b>1:30–3pm</b> | <b><u>Bible Study</u></b> – <i>meeting at the church</i> |
| <i>Ongoing Wednesdays</i> | <b>7:30–9pm</b> | <b><u>Bible Study</u></b> – <i>meeting at the church</i> |

---

### Church Ladies Christmas Luncheon

We are planning a Church Ladies Christmas Luncheon at Little Billy’s Steakhouse, 6785 E. Hastings St., (near Sperling Ave.), Burnaby, 604-294-4460, on **Thursday, December 07<sup>th</sup>, at 12 Noon**. All women are warmly welcome for some fabulous fellowship & food. We have to make reservations, so please notify Lourdes as soon as you can @ 604-433-0654 or after worship on Sunday. *Hope to see you there!!*

---

### 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, December 20<sup>th</sup>**, 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).*

4550 Kitchener Street, Burnaby, BC V5C 3M7

Phone: 604-299-6816      Email: [office@sainttimothy.ca](mailto:office@sainttimothy.ca)

**[www.sainttimothy.ca](http://www.sainttimothy.ca)**

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| The Rev. James Duckett - ( <a href="mailto:priest@sainttimothy.ca">priest@sainttimothy.ca</a> ) (604-655-3970) | Priest               |
| Jed Anderson   | Warden               |
| William Constable  | Warden               |
| Vern Seel  | Treasurer            |
| Erica Buchignani   | Musician             |
| Lizz Lawrence  | Parish Administrator |