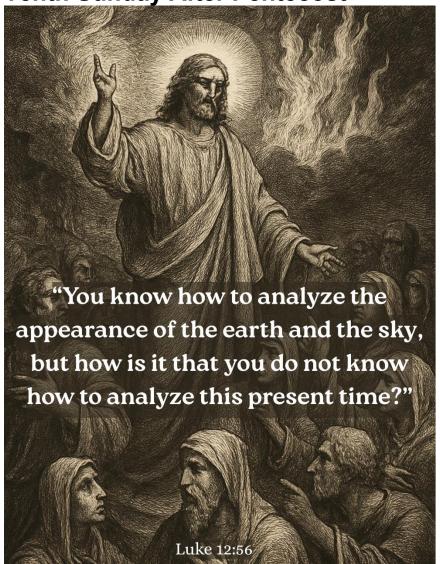
**Tenth Sunday After Pentecost** 



10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist

Sunday, August 17, 2025

"Glorifying God as Agents of His Reconciliation"

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, let's pray together the Collect for Purity:

Almighty God, 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.

**Sentence:** My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. *John 10.27* 

Hymns are from "The Celebration Hymnal" in the pews. Please stand.
10,000 Reasons
Jonas Myrin/Matt Redman

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. And on that day, when my strength is failing, The end draws near, and my time has come; Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending\_Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

# Tessa Muirhead presentation Alongside Hope

## THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

**Rev. John:** 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.

# GLORY TO GOD (sung)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.

# Praise The One Who Breaks The Darkness Rusty Edwards/NETTLETON

Praise the One who breaks the darkness With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel,
Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands
With the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children With a strong yet gentle word;
Praise the One who drove out demons With a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand;
From this well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

Praise the one true Love incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place; Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done; Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the One who makes us one.

Please be seated.

Moment of silence to collect our hearts and minds in prayer.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Rev. John: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

# Children's Story Time

Get Ready, Get Set!

# THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

#### THE READINGS

First Reading – Jeremiah 23:23-29 Reader: A reading from Jeremiah

<sup>23</sup> "Am I a God who is near," declares the Lord,

"And not a God far off?

<sup>24</sup> Can a person hide himself in hiding places So that I do not see him?" declares the Lord.

"Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?" declares the Lord. <sup>25</sup> "I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy falsely in My name, saying, 'I had a dream, I had a dream!' <sup>26</sup> How long? Is there *anything* in the hearts of the prophets who prophesy falsehood, *these* prophets of the deceitfulness of their own heart, <sup>27</sup> who intend to make My people forget My name by their dreams which they report to one another, just as their fathers forgot My name because of Baal? <sup>28</sup> The prophet who has a dream may report *his* dream, but let him who has My word speak My word truthfully. What does straw have *in common* with grain?" declares the Lord. <sup>29</sup> "Is My word not like fire?" declares the Lord, "and like a hammer *which* shatters a rock?

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 82

<sup>1</sup> God takes his stand in the council of heaven; he gives judgement in the midst of the gods: <sup>2</sup> "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favour to the wicked?

- <sup>3</sup> Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;
- <sup>4</sup> Rescue the weak and the poor:
- deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- <sup>5</sup> They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness;

all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

- <sup>6</sup> Now I say to you, 'You are gods,
- and all of you children of the Most High;
- Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."
- <sup>8</sup> Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.

# Second Reading - Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Reader: A reading from Hebrews

- <sup>29</sup> By faith they passed through the Red Sea as through dry land; and the Egyptians, when they attempted it, were drowned.
- <sup>30</sup> By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after *the Israelites* had marched around them for seven days. <sup>31</sup> By faith the prostitute Rahab did not perish along with those who were disobedient, after she had welcomed the spies in peace.
- <sup>32</sup> And what more shall I say? For time will fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, <sup>33</sup> who by faith conquered kingdoms, performed *acts of* righteousness, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup> Women received *back* their dead by resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection; <sup>36</sup> and others experienced mocking and flogging, and further, chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup> They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented <sup>38</sup> (*people* of whom the

world was not worthy), wandering in deserts, *on* mountains, and *sheltering in* caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup> And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup> because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect.

**12** Therefore, since we also have such a great cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let's rid ourselves of every obstacle and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let's run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking only at Jesus, the originator and perfecter of the faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel – Luke 12:49-56
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Reader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>49</sup> "I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I came to provide peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division; <sup>52</sup> for from now on five *members* in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup> They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother."

<sup>54</sup> And He was also saying to the crowds, "Whenever you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'A shower is coming,' and so it turns out. <sup>55</sup> And whenever *you feel* a south wind blowing, you say, 'It will be a hot *day*,' and

it turns out *that way*. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to analyze the appearance of the earth and the sky, but how *is it that* you do not know how to analyze this *present* time?

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Please be seated for the sermon.

Tying Our Laces Rev. John

After the sermon, silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

**Leader:** Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel or sit to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Leader: Lord, in your mercy.

All: hear our prayer.

# CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Invitation to Confession

Silence is kept for a moment of reflection.

Rev. John: 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.

**Rev. John:** 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

**Rev. John:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Please stand.

Offertory

My Faith Has Found A Resting Place
Andre Ernest Modeste Gretry/Lidie Hornsby Edmunds

My faith has found a resting place Not in device or creed;
I trust the ever-living One,
His wounds for me shall plead.

I need no other argument, I need no other plea, It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves -This ends my fear and doubt; A sinful soul I came to Him, He'll never cast me out. **Chorus**  My heart is leaning on the Word, The living Word of God, Salvation by my Saviour's name, Salvation through His blood. **Chorus** 

My great Physician heals the sick, The lost He came to save; For me His precious blood He shed, For me His life He gave. **Chorus** 

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Rev. John: Loving God and Father,
you have adopted us to be your heirs.
Accept all we offer you this day
and give us grace to live as faithful children.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. John: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Rev. John: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

**Rev. John:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Rev. John: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature.

He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering,

to bring release to those who place their hope in you;

and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair.

By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: 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.

Rev. John: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

**Rev. John:** All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

All: Amen

# THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

Rev. John: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
People: 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 for ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Rev. John: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst."

People: Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in him!

## THE COMMUNION

**Rev. John:** The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

# If you would like prayer during this time, the Prayer Ministry is available by the font.

In Anglican churches, everyone who is baptized is welcome to come and receive communion. You may kneel or stand at the altar rail to receive communion. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please notify the sides people and they will alert the Communion Servers to come to you. If you would like to come forward for a blessing instead of communion, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion is an important part of our worship. Please use this time to prayerfully prepare yourself for communion and to reflect on Jesus' gift after you have received communion. You may find singing the Communion Hymns helpful. Please refrain from talking during this time.

#### Communion - Bas Ouwehand

Please stand.

Post Communion Hymn
O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
Samuel Trevor Francis/ Thomas John Williams
Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus—
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free—
Rolling as a mighty ocean
In its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me
Is the current of His love—
Leading onward, leading homeward
To His glorious rest above.

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus— Spread His praise from shore to shore! Praise His mercy, praise His goodness; Praise His love forevermore. How He watcheth o'er His loved ones, Died to call them all His own; How for them He intercedeth, Watcheth o'er them from His throne. Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus—Love of ev'ry love the best—'Tis an ocean vast of blessing;'Tis a haven sweet of rest.
Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus—'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
And it lifts me up to glory,
Lifts me up eternally.

Please stand.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. John: Eternal God,

we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Rev. John: Glory to God,

People: 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

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.
Hymn #548 As The Deer
Martin Nystrom
As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.

You alone are my strength, my shield; To You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee.

You're my friend and You are my brother, Even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.
I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver,
And the apple of my eye.

## **DISMISSAL**

Leader: God has reconciled us to Himself.

People: Let us go forth as ministers of His

reconciliation. Alleluia.

# Prayers of the People - August 17, 2025

James wrote, "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results." (James 5:16b) This week we pray especially for:

#### **OUR CHURCH**

The Most Reverend Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land & Archbishop of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary The Right Reverend Shane Parker, Primate of The Anglican Church of Canada

The Right Reverend Leopold Friday, Bishop of our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands

# In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Scottish Episcopal Church

# In the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

St. Barnabas, Calgary; the Rev. Kersi Bird, the Rev. Deacon Marcus Herrel, the Rev. Eric Haffenden (Hon.) Alongside Hope and its Diocesan and Parish reps

## In our Sister Diocese of the Windward Islands

St. Paul, Calliaqua (kal-ee-akwa) with St. John, Belair, on St. Vincent The Rev. Canon Ashton Francis

# In the Anglican Church of Canada

The Bishop, clergy and people of the Diocese of Rupert's Land

# In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

The dean, council, and congregations of the West Central Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

## The Moravian Church in Canada

Remembering August 13, 1727, this was the day when the young community in Herrnhut, Germany, nearly torn apart by internal theological conflict, was bonded together by the power of the Holy Spirit. Some call it our Moravian "Pentecost."

### OUR KING AND ALL IN AUTHORITY

King Charles III, Prime Minister Mark Carney, Premier Danielle Smith, Mayor Linnsie Clark

#### OUR WORLD

Kelly and Peter with Overseas Missionary Fellowship Persecuted Christians everywhere

### **OUR CITY CHURCHES**

Holy Family Catholic Church Fr. Iqbal Khurshid

#### OUR PARISH

St. Barnabas Church with The Reverend Oz Lorentzen and his family – Delynne, Soren & Laec.

Reverend John Willems- Blenda & their family.

Lindsay & Richard Barron; Katrina Barron; Geoff & Heather Barron; & their family.

Readers

Compassion Canada & Teguh in Indonesia and Jerusha in Ghana

The GriefShare Program

The Saturday Meal Program

The Medicine Hat Ecumenical Campus Ministry

# **OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED**

Sonya; Tonya; Nathan; Claude; Bonnie; Uju; Pete; Kaylyin; Mike; Jim; Bob; Maggie; Shannon; Lorraine R; John; Chase; and their families

If you or anyone you know would like prayer, call the Office at (403) 526-7713.

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2 Corinthians 5:19

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We give thanks for the service of these people this morning:

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Lionel Brideson
Shirley Greenfield

Music Blenda Willems & Bas Ouwehand

Reader(s) Chioma Nwokeali

**Greeters** Warren & Gillian Sandham **Bread/Wine Presenters** Kelly Geddes & Bev Jaeger

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