



## ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Day of Thanksgiving** October 11, 2020  
Worship 11:00 A.M.

Presiding Minister  
Musician

Rev. Diana Edis  
Larissa Goruk

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*Welcome to Worship with St. Paul's Lutheran Church. At harvest time we join the psalmist in offering thanksgiving to God: "You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty." We are grateful for the abundance of the good things of God's creation. Paul reminds us that our thanksgiving overflows into generosity. As the body of Christ in the world, we give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.*

### Weekly Prayer Petitions

**Local:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Prince Rupert

**Synod Parishes:** Dunbar Lutheran in Vancouver and our BC Synod Staff.

**Anglican/Lutheran Joint Prayers:** Bishop David Lehman, Fr. Paul Williams and the people of the Diocese of Caledonia and all people and ministries working to address issues of poverty, homelessness and affordable housing.

### Discipleship Opportunities

1. We will be taking up a special additional offering of money or goods for the local food pantry this Thanksgiving week. The Pastor will be outside the church after worship from 12 noon to 1:00PM to receive any offerings for the Salvation Army Food Bank or the CHSS hygiene program. If you give a special monetary Thanksgiving offering in addition to your regular tithe this week please note on your offering (check or e-transfer) whether this is your regular or special gift. You are welcomed to give both separately.

2. Tomorrow is the last night of our book study *White Fragility: Why It's so Hard for White People to Talk about Racism* by Robin J. DiAngelo. We have been challenged and blessed. Here is the Zoom invitation.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89370445799?pwd=bWJMdXZlQmhlc2tTK2hXUGttNVpKUT09>

Meeting ID: 893 7044 5799

Password: 609454

3. The Pastor will be Public by Zoom meeting every Wednesday 9:30 - 11:30AM PDT. You may call in from your home or cell phone to 1-778-907-2071 without the need for a computer or you can join by computer, tablet, or smart phone by either clicking the link below or by typing it into your browser.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87222984486?pwd=OHFicWZySkR1dHNpeklqMzU4RIJWUT09>

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*Announcements*

*Confession and Forgiveness*

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
in whose image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

L: Holy One,

**we confess that we are not awake for you.**

**We are not faithful in using your gifts.**

**We forget the least of our siblings.**

**We do not see your beautiful image in one another.**

**We are infected by sin**

**that divides your beloved community.**

**Open our hearts to your coming,**

**open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,**

**open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

L: Beloved, we are God's children,  
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through † Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome,

in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

**Amen.**

1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;  
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;  
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.  
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.  
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;  
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,  
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.  
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.  
 To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963  
 Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

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

**And also with you.**

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

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### *Prayer of the Day*

L: Let us pray,

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Our first reading is from the book of Deuteronomy, beginning at the 8th chapter.

8:7-18

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth. But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

L: The word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God**

Our second reading is from 2 Corinthians, beginning at the 9th chapter

9:6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

“He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;  
his righteousness endures forever.”

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

L: The word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God**

We sing our gospel acclamation, hymn # 174 in your ELW. The Pastor will then sing a verse and then we will sing the Alleluia once more through.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

L: Thank you for making us clean.  
This is a gift and a promise.  
Live in thankfulness,  
Your faith has made you well.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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(Leader verse text written by Rev. Diana Edis)

The holy gospel according to Luke, beginning at the 17<sup>th</sup> chapter  
**Glory to you, O Lord**

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying,

“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Rev. Diana Edis

Hymn of the Day

*As Rain From the Clouds*

No 508 (vs. 2, 3)

1 As rain from the clouds will your word come to earth,  
 2 As grain that is scat - tered your word has been sown  
 3 As rays of the sun shall your word light the world,

as snow from the heav - ens re - fresh - ing the land.  
 on rocks and on road - ways, in good earth and sand.  
 a - wak - ing and warm - ing and heal - ing our land.

Then soft - en our soil that the good seed may grow  
 Make fer - tile our soil that the good seed may grow  
 Then shine in our hearts that the good seed may grow

and rip - en rich fruit to re - turn to your hand.  
 and rip - en rich fruit to re - turn to your hand.  
 and rip - en rich fruit to re - turn to your hand.

We praise you, our God, for the dew of your word;  
 We praise you, our God, for the seed of your word;  
 We praise you, our God, for the light of your word;

we thank you, good gar-d'ner, for your ten-der toil.  
 we thank you, good gar-d'ner, for your ten-der toil.  
 we thank you, good gar-d'ner, for your ten-der toil.

We bless you, best farm-er, for hun-dred-fold yield,  
 We bless you, best farm-er, for hun-dred-fold yield,  
 We bless you, best farm-er, for hun-dred-fold yield,

for har-vest of grace in our once-bar-ren soil.  
 for har-vest of grace in our once-bar-ren soil.  
 for har-vest of grace in our once-bar-ren soil.

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 Music: AFTON WATER, Jonathan E. Spilman, 1812-1896; arr. hymnal version  
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**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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 and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.**

*Prayers of Intercession:* (petition end: Lord, in your mercy.  
(petition response: **Hear our prayer.**)

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

#### *Offering*

*Offerings may be mailed to the church or placed in our mailbox. You can send e-transfers to offering2stpauls@citywest.ca. You may also give electronically to us through CanadaHelps.*

*We can be found there at St. Paul's Lutheran, Prince Rupert.*

#### *Offering Prayer*

Let us pray,  
God of all goodness,  
generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

**Amen.**

*We enter into a time of communion. All people are invited to join in God's meal, however you may choose whether or not to participate. If you hear the call of the Holy Spirit inviting you, please respond. If you would like to learn more about communion you may call the church and speak with the pastor about its significance. You may prepare bread and wine or juice in advance of communion. You may wish to set up a small home altar for this purpose, using: a cross, a candle, an image of Christ (called an icon), and the bread and beverage if you feel so called. The pastor will have a half loaf, symbolizing that the other half of that loaf is present in front of you in your various abiding places. When the bread and beverage are offered by the pastor and you eat and drink you may respond, "Amen." Members of the same household are encouraged to serve one another.*

*Great Thanksgiving*

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

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

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

L: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...

...we praise you O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Lord's Prayer*

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit across time and space, let us pray as Jesus taught us. Using whatever version of that prayer comforts you, we pray...

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*Communion*

L: If the Holy Spirit calls you to this feast of bread and wine or juice, I invite you to receive that which has been prepared, each in our own places, but gathered together around the table of God. Although we are separated at this time by physical distance, we are united, made whole in the body of our Lord. There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

L: This is the body of Christ, given for you.

**C: Amen**

L: This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

**C: Amen**

L: The body and blood of our Lord and Saviour strengthen you to eternal life.

**C: Amen**

L: Let us pray,

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet.

Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

**C: Amen.**

*Benediction*

L: May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made,  
 who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service,  
 give you reason to rejoice and be glad!  
 The blessing of God,  
 Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,  
 be with you today and always.  
**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

**Let All Things Now Living**

No. 881

1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to  
 2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours - es and

God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,  
 sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;

who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who  
 the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the

still guides us on to the end of our days.  
 deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.

God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -  
 We too should be voic - ing our love and re -

fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,  
 joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise

till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as  
 till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: "To

for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.  
 God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!"

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 Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune  
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L: Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**