

September 15, 2024

Season of Creation 2 B – Ecology: Protecting Our Common Home



PRELUDE

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church exists on the traditional territory of the Attawandaron / Neutral People. We honour the original ancestors of this land and also offer respect to our Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe, Mississauga and Métis neighbours. We give thanks for the First Peoples and all who have cared for the land and made it possible for us to dwell and do ministry on this land.

INTROIT (from Psalms 24 and 84)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts,

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.

The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

As they go through the valley of Baca, the valley of tears, they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools. O Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.

The Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it!

GATHERING HYMN **Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above** **BLUE 310**

GREETING

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are opened, 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

I will mock when panic strikes you,
²⁷when panic strikes you like a storm,
 and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,
 when distress and anguish come upon you.
²⁸Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;
 they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.
²⁹Because they hated knowledge
 and did not choose the fear of the LORD,
³⁰would have none of my counsel,
 and despised all my reproof,
³¹therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way
 and be sated with their own devices.
³²For waywardness kills the simple,
 and the complacency of fools destroys them;
³³but those who listen to me will be secure
 and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Wisdom 7:26—8:1



God loves noth-ing so much as the per-son who lives with wis-dom.

²⁶**Wisdom is a reflection of e- | ternal light,
 a spotless mirror of the working of God, an image | of
 God’s goodness.**

²⁷**Although she is but one, she can | do all things,
 and while remaining in herself, she re- | news all
 things;**

**in every generation she passes into | holy souls
 and makes them friends of | God, and prophets;**

²⁸**for God loves noth- | ing so much
 as the person who | lives with wisdom. R**

²⁹She is more beautiful than the sun, and excels every constellation | of the stars.

**Compared with the light she is found to | be superior,
³⁰for it is succeeded | by the night,
but against wisdom evil does | not prevail.**

**^{8:1}She reaches mightily from one end of the earth | to the other,
and she orders | all things well. R**



God loves noth-ing so much as the per-son who lives with wis-dom.

SECOND READING: James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish

water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can saltwater yield fresh.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung twice)

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

The holy gospel according to Mark.
Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³¹Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For

you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY You Call Us, Lord, To Be BLUE 450

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

God, the source of our being
and the goal of all our longing,
we believe and trust in you.
The whole earth is alive with your glory,
and all that has life is sustained by you.
We commit ourselves to cherish your world,
and to seek your face.

O God, embodied in a human life
we believe and trust in you.
Jesus our brother, born of the woman Mary,
you confronted the proud and the powerful,
and welcomed as your friends those of no account.

Holy Wisdom of God, firstborn of creation,
you emptied yourself of power,
and became foolishness for our sake.
You laboured with us upon the cross,
and have brought us forth to the hope of resurrection.
We commit ourselves to struggle against evil,
and to choose life.

O God, life-giving Spirit,
Spirit of healing and comfort,
of integrity and truth,
we believe and trust in you.
Warm-winged Spirit, brooding over creation,
rushing wind and Pentecostal fire,
we commit ourselves to work with you and renew our world.

(All desires known, Janet Morley)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

We pray for the church throughout the world. Form us into communities of forgiveness and grace. Help us to notice where you are calling us into new relationships and give us courage to embrace the uncomfortable and unfamiliar. Today we pray for The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon, and the congregations of the Southern Interior Region of the British Columbia Synod. Gracious God, we turn to you,

for you are our source of hope and creator of our home.

We pray for the earth and all its inhabitants. Protect lands at risk of wildfire and heal dying forests. Where fire brings destruction, raise up new growth. Guide us in tending precarious ecosystems. Gracious God, we turn to you,

for you are our source of hope and creator of our home.

We pray for those who govern nations, tribes, and cities. Open them to the cries of people in need. Direct them in shaping policies that prioritize the health and well-being of all who struggle with hunger and housing insecurity. Bring comfort and consolation to all affected by the violence of wars throughout the world, especially in Ukraine and Russia, and Gaza and Israel. Gracious God, we turn to you,
for you are our source of hope and creator of our home.

We pray for all who are ill, all who are lonely or anxious, and all who grieve. Draw them close to you and soothe them with the promise of your enduring love. We pray especially for those who desire our prayers: Anna-Liisa, Bud, Ruth, Susan, Chris, Werner and Debbie, Christa and Ken, Karen, John and Julianna, Pat, Bill, Isa, Zoilita, Bill, Dale, and those we name before you in our hearts (*brief silence...*). Gracious God, we turn to you,
for you are our source of hope and creator of our home.

We pray for teachers, professors, librarians, school administrators, staff, and all who support the education of young people. Sustain them as they shape learning communities, rooted in equity and authenticity. We pray for children of all ages in their learning. Gracious God, we turn to you,
for you are our source of hope and creator of our home.

We remember our beloved dead, who with the great cloud of witnesses bear witness to your saving grace. Accompany us in our pilgrimage of faith, that we too place our hope and trust in you. Gracious God, we turn to you,
for you are our source of hope and creator of our home.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Saviour.
Amen.

PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all!
And also with you.

OFFERTORY

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray:

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise." The score is divided into parts for the "Presider" and the "Congregation".

Presider: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And al - so with

Presider: you. *Congregation:* Lift up your hearts. We

Presider: lift them to the Lord. Let us give

Congregation: thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

... and join in their unending hymn:

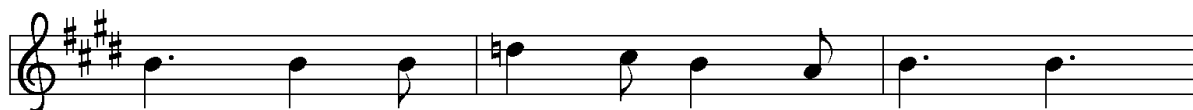
SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and



might; heav - en and earth are filled with your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: ... Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!

C: **Amen, come, Lord, Jesus! Amen, come, Lord, Jesus!**

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit that all your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!

C: **Amen, come, Holy Spirit! Amen, come, Holy Spirit!**

P: This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, and our friend.

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come, for all things are now ready.
Come to the table with all your kin,
and share with all in need:
the gift of healing for those in pain,
the gift of forgiveness for those in sin,
the gift of assurance for those in doubt,
and the gift of hope for those in tears.

May we who share these gifts share Christ with one another and all our kin.

DISTRIBUTION

Lamb of God

1. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.
2. Lamb of God, you broke the bonds of sin and of death:
Have mercy on us...
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace...
4. Lamb of God, you are way of mercy and love...
5. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymns:

Open My Heart

Part I

O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Part II

O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Part III

O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Part I

O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Part II

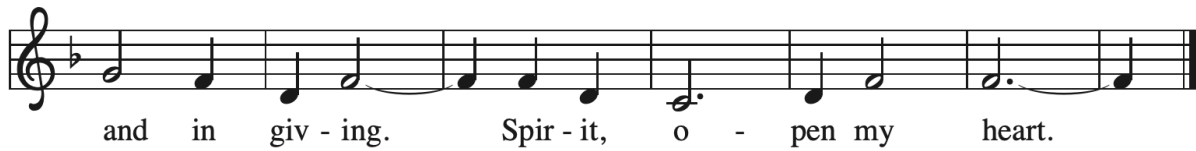
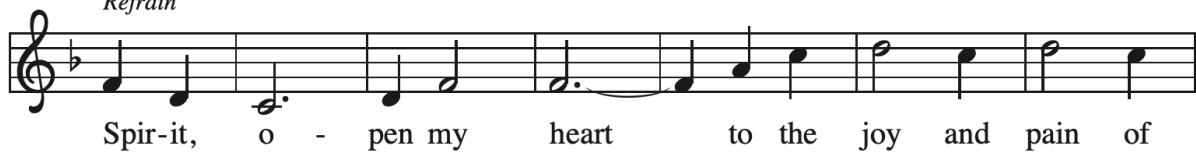
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Part III

O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Spirit, Open My Heart

Refrain



1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
 friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to

Refrain



fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
 day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

When Long Before Time

BLUE 307

TABLE BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 strengthen, keep, and unite us now and forever. **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

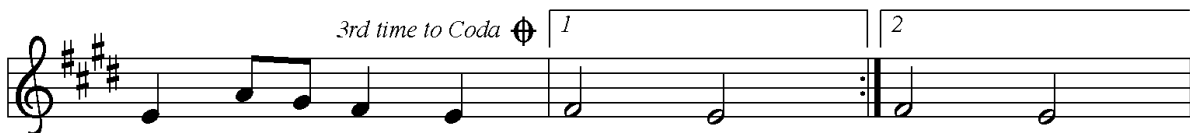
POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

⊕ Coda



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

May our generous God bless you,
and surround you with favour forever,
that you may love your neighbour as yourself
through the good name of + Jesus Christ, our Saviour and
Lord. **Amen.**

**The blessing of the God of life be ours.
The blessing of the loving Christ be ours.
The blessing of the Holy Spirit be ours,
To cherish us, to help us, to make us holy.**

SENDING HYMN

What A Fellowship

RED 774

DISMISSAL

Walk with love and care on God's earth.
Walk with vital awareness
of God's comprehensive vision
and purpose for creation.
Walk with awe and gratitude
to ensure justice to the trees and rivers
as well as the person next to you
– they are not without purpose in God's vision.
Amen

*(Ven Taimalelagi Fagamalama Tuatagaloa, Samoa USPG "For such a
time as this")*

POSTLUDE

Announcements and Information

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Laura B Mann	Christine Morrison
Servers	Penny Richards Michelle Normandin	Kishan Gunawardene Laura F Mann
Reader	Bill Clatworthy	Sue Wakefield
Greeters	Bonnie Lichty	Bill & Jette Thomas
Ushers	Jan Nielsen Dennis Kunze	The Heaney family
AV booth	John Szymanski Brian Janzen	Judy Rogers Brian Janzen
Altar Guild	Jan Nielsen, Penny Richards, Carole Mozuraitis	Penny Richards, Carole Mozuraitis
Counters	Christine Morrison Chris Heaney	Christine Morrison Chris Heaney
Flowers		
Coffee Hour		Picnic lunch after the service



Greeters: It's time again to regularly schedule Greeters! If you can help with this important hospitality ministry please contact Elaine Maguire at (519) 658-0509 or let the office know. Thank you.

Parish Care Workshop: Tuesday Sept. 17 at 1:00 in the Parlour. *"The Upsides and Downsides of Caffeine."* All are welcome.

Connections: The deadline for the next issue of *Connections* is **Sunday, Sept. 22, 2024**. Please submit items to Christine Morrison at cjmorrison263@gmail.com



Outdoor Worship and Picnic lunch: On **Sunday September 22, 2024** we will be celebrating our Merger Anniversary. If the weather is good we will be gathering outside. Following the service everyone is invited to bring a picnic lunch for their family and join in a time for fellowship. Bring a comfy lawn chair if the weather is sunny and join us outside at 10:00 a.m. There will not be an 8:30 a.m. service that day.

Spaghetti Dinner: All Saint's Lutheran Anglican Church and Rundle Chapter # 108, Order of the Eastern Star invite you to our Joint Community Pasta Fundraiser Dinner **Saturday, October 26th, 2024 at 5:30 pm.**



For tickets reach out to Brian Janzen in person or bjanzen33@gmail.com. Dinner includes: Pasta (Penne or Spaghetti) with sauce (meat or vegetarian), Salad, Dessert, Tea and Coffee. \$15.00 per Adult \$10.00 per child 10 years and under.

All Saints in Action: Please let Pastor Brian know about all the amazing service work you do at church and in the wider community! Please send him an email, voicemail or leave a note in the labelled box on the table in the narthex. (There are index cards and pens available). He's hoping to fill the wall by Thanksgiving! *Thank you.*



All Saints in Action

Silvercreek Community Market: We regularly need **rice and RED LENTILS**. We currently serve about 150 families each month so please consider buying the specific items listed below in advance of each month:



Thank you for all the peanut butter, school snacks and canned meat/fish! We had enough for everyone!

We appreciate everyone adapting to our new non-perishable distribution rotation:

For **November** we need pasta and 60 jars/cans of pasta sauce.

For **December** we need cooking oil (1L) , cereal and canned legumes. *Thank you*

Mental Health, Coping & Connection for 2SLGBTQ+ People

A free online learning course

What's unique about 2S/LGBTQ+ experiences of mental health? Mental Health, Coping & Connection focuses on mental health at the level of the individual and the community. We'll cover unique considerations for Two-Spirit, queer and trans people as they cope with mental health challenges and connect with individuals and community.

Specific actions that can be taken to support 2S/LGBTQ+ people will be identified for mental health professionals, primary care practitioners, social workers, community-based organizations, and others. This course can be completed in a flexible time frame of 1 to 2 hours. CBRC Online Learning onlinelearning@cbrc.net

LOOKING AHEAD: Sept 16 — Sept 22

Monday 16	7:00 p.m.	Worship & Music, Parlour
Tuesday 17	1:00 p.m.	Parish Care Workshop, Parlour
	5:00 p.m.	Men's Fellowship, Rose Head Hall
Wednesday 18	9:00 a.m.	Announcements due to office
	3:00 p.m.	Executive meeting
Thursday 19	9:00 a.m.— 3:30 p.m.	Silvercreek Community Market, Rose Head Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice, Nave
Saturday 21	All day	Eastern Star rental, Rose Head Hall
Sunday 22	10:00 a.m.	Season of Creation 3 Holy Communion—Outdoors if the weather is good