



St. George's, Cadboro Bay

10AM Order of Worship – Sunday, June 20, 2021 – **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost and  
NATIONAL DAY OF INDIGENOUS PRAYER**

**Presider:** Rev. Canon Jeannine Friesen

**Preacher:** Rt. Rev. Chris Harper, Bishop of Saskatoon

## **Welcome**

## **Territorial Acknowledgement (Joy Carroll)**

## **Call to Worship**

*Officiant:* The heavens are telling the glory of God;

*All:* **and the firmament proclaims his handiwork**

-(Psalm 19:1)

## **Invitation to Confession**

*Officiant:* Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God,  
let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins,  
that we may obtain forgiveness by God's infinite goodness and mercy.

## **Confession**

*All:* **Most merciful God,  
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**

### **Absolution**

*Officiant:* 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. **Amen**

### **Collect of the Day**

*Officiant:* Creator God,  
from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name.  
You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love,  
and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love,  
and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness.  
Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership,  
may be strengthened and guided to help one another  
to grow into the full stature of Christ,  
who is our light and our life. Amen

### **Hymn – Christ, Be Our Light**

Longing for light, we wait in darkness  
Longing for truth, we turn to you  
Make us Your own, your holy people  
Light for the world to see.

### *REFRAIN*

*Christ, be our light  
Shine in our hearts, Shine through the darkness  
Christ, be our light  
Shine in Your church gathered today*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled  
Longing for hope, many despair  
Your Word alone has power to save us  
Make us Your living voice. *REFRAIN*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless  
Longing for warmth, many are cold  
Make us Your building, sheltering others  
Walls made of living stone. *REFRAIN*

Many the gifts, many the people  
Many the hearts that yearn to belong  
Let us be servants to one another  
Making Your kingdom come. *REFRAIN*

### **Kids' Talk (Leslie Flynn)**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 40:25-31 (Bruce Winter)

A READING FROM ISAIAH

To whom then will you compare me,  
    or who is my equal? says the Holy One.  
Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
    Who created these?  
He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
    calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
    mighty in power,  
    not one is missing.  
Why do you say, O Jacob,  
    and speak, O Israel,  
'My way is hidden from the Lord,  
    and my right is disregarded by my God'?  
Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
    the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
    his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
    and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
    and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
    they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
    they shall walk and not faint.  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church:

**Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 19** (Bruce Winter and Angela Buckingham)

*John:* The heavens declare the glory of God \*

*Angela:* **and the firmament shows the handiwork of the Lord**

One day tells its tale to another, \*  
**and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

Although they have no words or language, \*  
**and their voices are not heard,**

their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
**and their message to the ends of the world.**

In the deep has God set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
**it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.**

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
**nothing is hidden from its burning heat.**

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
**the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.**

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
**the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \*  
**the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.**

More to be desired are they than gold, \*  
**more than much fine gold,**

sweeter far than honey, \*  
**than honey in the comb.**

By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
**and in keeping them there is great reward.**

Who can tell how often they offend? \*

**Cleanse me from my secret faults.**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; \*

**let them not get dominion over me;**

then shall I be whole and sound, \*

**and innocent of a great offense.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in  
your sight; \*

**O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.**

*-The Psalter of The Book of Alternative Services  
Emended for Contemporary Liturgical Use*

**Second Reading:** Philippians 4:4-9 (Angela Buckingham)

A READING FROM PHILIPPIANS

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church:

**Thanks be to God**

**Sung Alleluia**

**Gospel Reading** John 1:1-18 (Jennifer Handley)

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me."') From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of Christ:

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

***Sung Alleluia***

**Homily** (Rt. Rev. Chris Harper, Bishop of Saskatoon)

**Musical Interlude**

**Prayers of the People** (Margaret Smart)

**Lord's Prayer Sung** (Marlon, live)

**Blessing - Navajo Blessing**

**Closing Hymn - *We Are Called***

Come! Live in the light

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called to be light for the kingdom

To live in the freedom of the city of God

*REFRAIN*

*We are called to act with justice*

*We are called to love tenderly*

*We are called to serve one another*

*To walk humbly with God*

Come! Open your heart!

Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called to be hope for the hopeless

So all hatred and blindness will be no more. *REFRAIN*

Sing! Sing a new song!

Sing of that great day when all will be one!

God will reign, and we'll walk with each other

As sisters and brothers united in love! *REFRAIN*

**Dismissal** (Canon Jeannine)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**