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# **SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER**

June 02, 2019



**8:00 a.m.** Holy Eucharist **10:30 a.m.** Holy Eucharist Excellent Adventure and Nursery available 10:30 a.m.

Interim Team Leader
The Reverend Helen Belcher
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**Music** Ondrea Mann Liz Tremblay (Assist)

# Welcome to St. Stephen's Anglican Church Sunday Worship, June 02, 2019

8:00am service- Book of Common Prayer (starting page 67) 10:30am service- Bulletin

The Reverend Helen Belcher, Presider & Preacher
The Reverend Charmaine Evans, Deacon
Liz Tremblay, Music Director (assist)

# **Lectionary Readings**

This week: June 09
Acts 16:16-34 Genesis 11:1-9

Psalm 97 Psalm 104:24-34, 35*b* Revelation 22:12-14. 16-17. 20-21 Acts 2:1-21

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# The Prayers of the People

## The Anglican Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the Anglican Church in Mexico, The Most Reverend Francisco Moreno - Presiding Bishop & Bishop of Northern Mexico; for Justin, The Archbishop of Canterbury; Fred, our Primate; Greg our Metropolitan Archbishop & Diocesan Bishop, Sidney, the Suffragan Bishop for Treaty 7 Territory.

# **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

We pray for Holy Nativity, Calgary, The Reverend Brian Vickers, The Reverend Dr. Bob Mummery, for the Indigenous Ministry / Native Ministries; in our Companion Diocese of the Windward Islands we pray for St. Matthew, Biabou with St. Sylvan, Stubbs and St. Mark, Greggs, on St. Vincent, The Reverend Pamela Daniel, The Reverend Deacon Kenwick Lewis, their clergy and the people of the parishes; also for the Provincial Lay Representative to the Anglican Consultative Council.

# St. Stephen's Parish Cycle of Prayer

Enrique and Maria Saenz  $\cdot$  Marlies Sargent  $\cdot$  Carly Grimsen-Seligman and Ben Seligman and their children Amelia and Simon  $\cdot$  Beverley Senko  $\cdot$  Bill and Julienne Shaw.

#### For Those in Need

 $\mbox{Muriel} \cdot \mbox{Sudhir} \cdot \mbox{Phil} \cdot \mbox{Diana} \cdot \mbox{John} \cdot \mbox{Bob} \cdot \mbox{Anita} \cdot \mbox{Sarah} \cdot \mbox{Archer} \cdot \mbox{Sheila}.$ 

#### **Flowers**

Flowers are dedicated today to the Glory of God by Gerry and Kathy Deyell in loving memory of their parents.



# On Duty Today:

Reader: Jennifer Garrison Litianist: Evelyn Jain

**Communion Assistants:** Hugh Baker · David Roach

**Greeters:** Linda Roach · Jim Smellie

**Chancel Guild:** Janet Powers · Pam Forgie-Thomson **Sacramental Bread:** Kathy Deyell · David Roach

**Coffee:** Carolyn · Nicole

**Excellent Adventure:** Maya McKirdy **Nursery:** Beverley Senko · Leila Quinones **Volunteers:** Paige Miller · Asha Jain



# Ongoing at St. Stephen's

**Blue Envelopes this month** goes to Feed the Hungry. Each year St. Stephen's sponsors and serves at a hot dinner for about 700 people at St. Mary's RC Cathedral Hall. We provide volunteers and also pay for the food.

#### Who do I ask?

If you have a concern it is always better to ask than to worry. The wardens (contact info on back of bulletin cover) would welcome any of your questions or concerns.

Questions may also be directed to The Reverend Helen Belcher 403 826 7135 or revhelen@telus.net.





are looking to schedule interviews in the next few weeks.

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The members of the Search Committee are: Anne J. Brown (Chair), Tim Crowe, Keith Moe, Cathi Nelson, Louise Redmond, Gavin Stuart and Gord Tallman. Any one of us will be happy to answer questions you have, at any time. You are also welcome to email or 'phone with comments; if that is your preference, contact Anne at <a href="mailto:brown.annej@gmail.com">brown.annej@gmail.com</a> or 403 852 7355.

# The SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER

June 02, 2019

# THE EUCHARIST

The Reverend Helen Belcher, Presider & Preacher
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# The Gathering of the Community

We gather, greet one another, and prepare for worship.

Prelude: Pastorale (Charles Wesley)

Welcome and opening announcements

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May God's grace and peace be with you.

May our hearts be filled with joy.

Hymn: Glory to God

Common Praise #702

Refrain:

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. Refrain. We prepare for worship by taking a few quiet moments to reflect upon the state of our soul and that of the world this day.

This ancient hymn has been sung by Christians since the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> Centuries CE.

- 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. Refrain.
- 3. 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. Refrain.

Opening Prayer (the congregation remains standing)

Almighty God, you have exalted your Only-begotten, Jesus Christ, with great triumph to your heavenly realm. Mercifully give us faith to know that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth to the end of time; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Opening
Prayer identifies a
theme or themes
heard in today's
service.

# The Proclamation of the Word

We hear again the Christian story and respond with our prayers and intentions.

First Reading: Acts 16:16-34 read by Jennifer Garrison

Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. **Thanks be to God.** 

We listen for how this ancient story speaks to us today. Our God reigns!

Let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about you, O God; righteousness and justice are the foundations of your throne.

Fire goes before you and burns up your enemies on every side.

Lightning bolts illuminate the world;

the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at your presence, O God, at the presence of the God of the whole earth.

The heavens declare your righteousness, and all the peoples see your glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods!

All gods bow down before you, O God.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, because of your judgements, O God.

For you are God, most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

You love those who hate evil;

you preserve the lives of the saints and deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous, and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

Rejoice in God, you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name.

Psalms are sacred poems traditionally used in both Jewish and Christian worship.

Second Reading: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 read by Jennifer Garrison

Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: I come with Joy blue insert

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

Before the Reading: God be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading in special reverence for the stories of the life and teachings of Jesus.

We stand for the

After the Reading:

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

An Affirmation of Faith for the Easter Season (1 Corinthians 15:3-5,11)

Let us declare our faith in the risen Christ, saying:
Christ died on the cross
in accordance with the scriptures;
he was buried,
and raised to life on the third day,
appearing afterwards to his followers
and to all the apostles:
so we proclaim,
and so we believe. Amen.

An Affirmation of Faith is a public declaration of core Christian beliefs.

Prayers of the People

led by Evelyn Jain

The Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among the disciples, saying to them, 'Peace be with you.'
Their hearts were glad when they saw their Lord.

The "Passing of the Peace" is a response to Jesus' command to love one another as he has loved us. God's peace be always with you. And also with you.

The people greet one another with a gesture of friendship.

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

We give thanks for Christ's sacrificial love by which we are spiritually fed.

Hymn: And Now, O Father blue insert

Prayer over the Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our Shepherd. **Amen.** 

**Eucharistic Prayer** 

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks. By the glory of the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have opened the way to life eternal and given us hope that where he is there we may also be.

Accept our praises, O God, as we follow the example of your Son and obey his command;

Symbols of our daily lives are offered for God's blessing—bread and wine for communion, and money for the ongoing witness and ministry of the Church.

"Eucharist" is the Greek word for thanksgiving. who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the heart of the Christian story is Jesus' death for our sake, which is recounted here.

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Grant, O God, that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us Christ's body and blood.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise: renew us by your Holy Spirit, inspire us with your love, and unite us in the body of your Son.

So now, as the universe resounds with Easter joy, we join our voices with the choirs of angels to sing our hymn of praise:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth
are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

Our praises join those being offered continually in the heavenly realm.

#### The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray (saying):
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.

#### Breaking of the Bread

Lord, we died with you on the cross. Now we are raised to new life. We were buried in your tomb. Now we share in your resurrection. Live in us, that we may live in you.

#### Invitation

The gifts of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God!

Communion (please do not dip the bread in the wine)

Choir Anthem: For The Beauty of The Earth

Prayer after Communion

Merciful God,
we have seen with our eyes
and touched with our hands
the very bread of life.
Strengthen our faith
that we may recognize you
in the faces and lives of all your children;
through Jesus Christ our risen Saviour. Amen.

The "Lord's Prayer" is so called because the Gospels record Jesus teaching this prayer to his disciples.

All who love and serve God are welcome to come forward to receive communion, or to receive a blessing in God's name.

## Doxology

Glory to God,
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.

A doxology is a prayer of praise, in this case a final one, drawing our worship to a close.

#### **Announcements**

Prayer for Our Church During the Time of Transition.

Almighty God, giver of all good gifts, look upon our Christian family of St. Stephen's with grace, and guide the minds of those who lead the process of choosing a new rector for this parish, that we may in God's good time receive a faithful servant who will care for your people and support us in our ministries. Draw us together so that during this time of transition our faith may be deepened and our witness strengthened; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Dismissal

May God Almighty, who raised Jesus from the dead, strengthen us to walk in faith and share his risen life.

Let us bless our God. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

Hymn: O Lord Most High, Eternal King blue

Postlude: Oh How I Love Jesus (Frederick Whitfield)

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Having been fed

are sent out into the world to be witnesses of God's

by Word and Sacrament, we

love.



