

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2026

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE LIVE AND WORSHIP ON THE UNCEDED TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF THE KWIKWETLEM FIRST NATION, WHICH LIES WITHIN THE SHARED TERRITORIES OF THE TSLEIL-WAUTUTH, KATZIE, MUSQUEAM, SQUAMISH AND STÓ:LŦ NATIONS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE CARED FOR THIS LAND SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL AS WE SEEK TO JOURNEY TOWARDS A MEANINGFUL RECONCILIATION.

Liturgy: ELW Setting 10

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Welcome & Announcements & Land Acknowledgement

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,

C: **we confess to you all our sins.**

We feel the burdens of life,

**and so turn to things for relief that leave us feeling ashamed
and even more burdened.**

We justify our failure to love our neighbours

by telling ourselves someone else will care.

We are full of good intentions around deepening our faith

**but always find other things to do
instead of giving you our time.**

**In all these ways and more we are trapped in sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

Please, in your mercy, call us back to you.

Give us a vision of what life can be

in loving relationship with you, each other, and all creation.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us by your Holy Spirit

**to walk in your ways
and find our peace in you.**

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

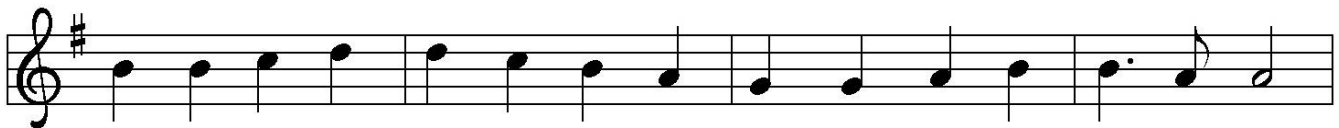
VBS Song

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

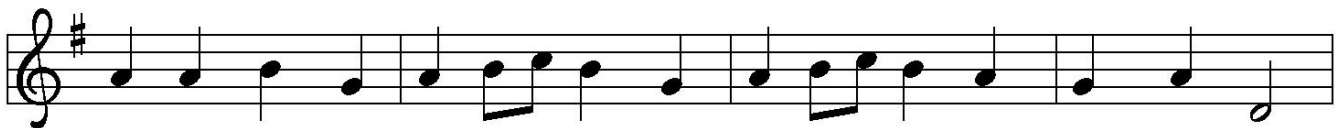
Canticle of Praise – Glory to God in Heaven



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Children's Time

First Reading: Jeremiah 15:15-21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the Lord is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."

O Lord, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.

Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart,

for I am called by your name,
O Lord, God of hosts.

I did not sit in the company of merrymakers,
nor did I rejoice;

under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.

Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable,
refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.

Therefore thus says the Lord:

If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.

If you utter what is precious and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.

It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.

And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;

they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,

for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,

says the Lord.

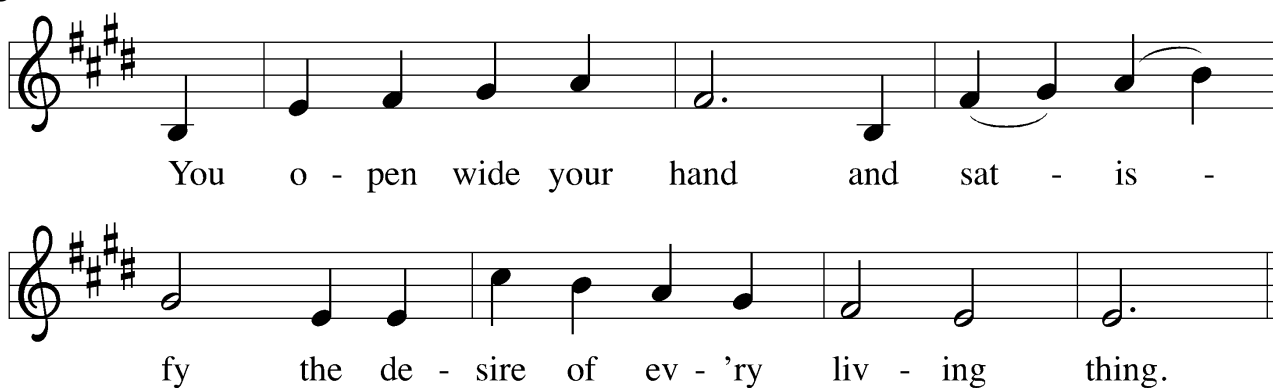
I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 26:1-8

Refrain:



L: Vindicate me, O Lord,
for I have walked in my integrity,
and I have trusted in the Lord without wavering.
Prove me, O Lord, and try me;
test my heart and mind.
For your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in faithfulness to you.

C: **Refrain**

L: I do not sit with the worthless,
nor do I consort with hypocrites;
I hate the company of evildoers,
and will not sit with the wicked.

C: **Refrain**

L: I wash my hands in innocence,
and go around your altar, O Lord,
singing aloud a song of thanksgiving,
and telling all your wondrous deeds.

C: **Refrain**

L: O Lord, I love the house in which you dwell,
and the place where your glory abides.

C: **Refrain**

Second Reading: Romans 12:9-21

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies

are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.’ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Verse



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P: The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 16th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Text: Matthew 16:21-28

After Peter confesses that Jesus is “the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a “rock.”

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, ‘God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.’ But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.’

Then Jesus told his disciples, ‘If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?’

‘For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.’

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

VBS Song

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of Heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

*After each petition, the pastor will say "God of grace" and the congregation will respond "**hear our prayer.**"*

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

All are invited to share a sign of peace with those around them, as we recognize the image of God in each other.

Meal

<i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ</i>

Offering and Offering Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

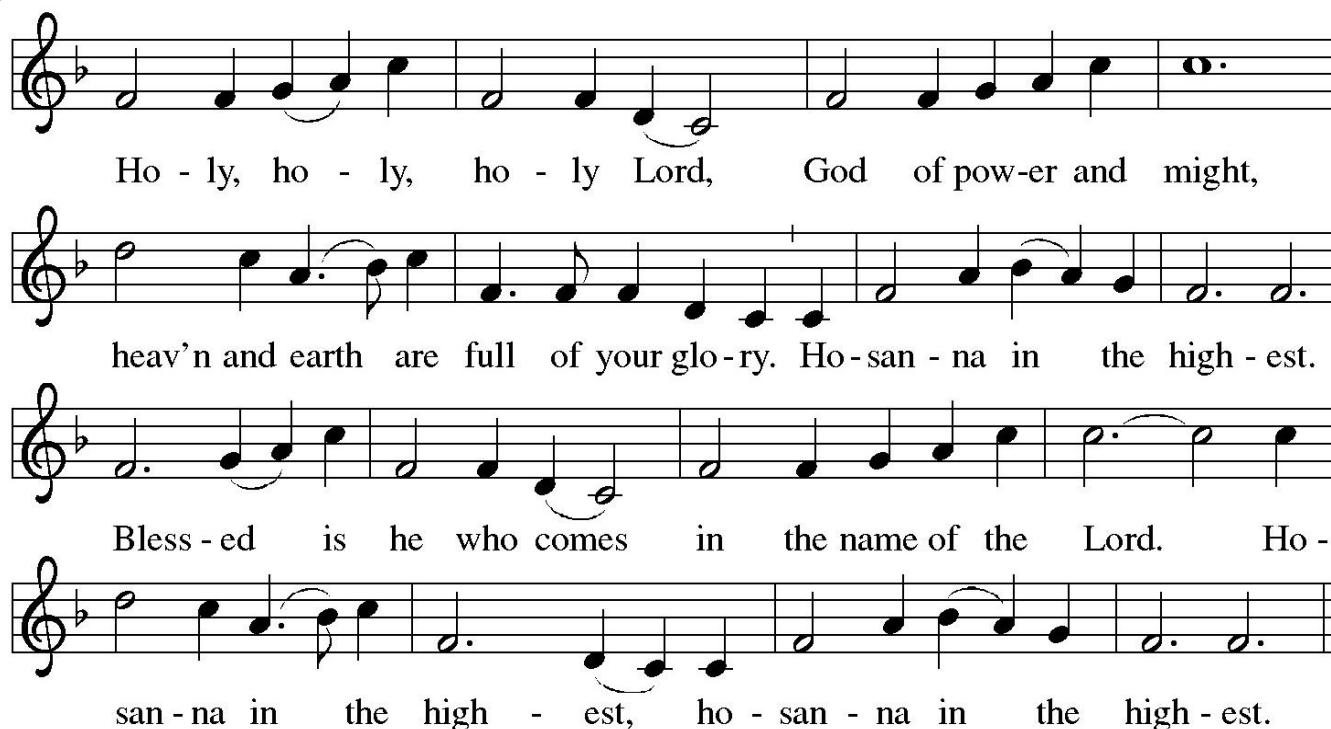
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

The pastor continues, concluding...

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord's Prayer

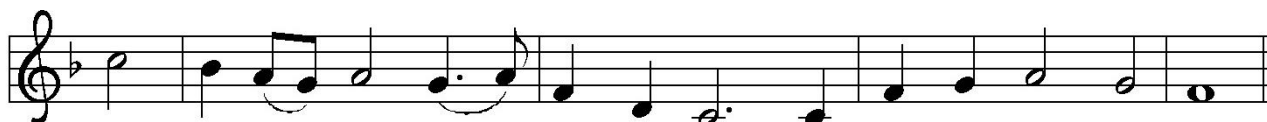
C: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Communion Song – O Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion is distributed

Directions for Communion: All are invited to this meal of grace, including children. At the Usher's direction, you are invited to advance to the communion rail through the centre aisle, commune in groups, and exit back to your pews through the window aisles, depositing your used wine/juice vessel in the repository tray at the head of each window aisle. Wine is located in the two outer rings of the tray and the grape juice in the centre rings. We also have a gluten-free option for bread, and the common cup for wine. Please note your preference at the time of serving. If you would prefer to receive communion in your pew once all have come forward, please raise your hand and the servers will come to you.

Songs Sung During Communion:

ELW # 535 - Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

ELW # 595 - Jesus Loves Me! (sing refrain twice the last time)

ELW # 677 - This Little Light of Mine (First verse repeated)

TFF # 62 – Shine On Me – Refrain (Chant)



Communion Blessing and Prayer After Communion

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

Sending Blessing

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
 ☩ one God,
 bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen

VBS Song

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**Following the service, you are invited
to join us for our annual Church Picnic.**

As Jesus says... All are welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 23, 2026

(To open hyperlinks, try right-clicking your mouse while on the link and select *Open Hyperlink or Control-Click*)

Flowers are placed on the altar in thankfulness for the joyous VBS week that we shared with the children among us, the creative leadership of our volunteers that made it possible, and for the faithful fellowship shared throughout the week with our siblings in Christ - as we gathered together as one family united by Christ's love.

Today: VBS-Themed Service followed by Church Picnic: As has become our tradition on the Sunday that follows the end of VBS, we will be worshipping with a VB-themed service, after which, we will gather for a potluck lunch. Hotdogs will be provided, and you are invited to stay as you are able. All are welcome!

Friends of Creation – Lake Chad Fundraising Page: In advance of the *Season of Creation* that begins next month for 5 weeks, our church has initiated an online CLWR **Friends of Creation – Lake Chad** fundraising initiative. CLWR has kindly set up a specific on-line fundraising page for our church, which launches our goal to raise \$5,000 (100 acres at \$50 each) to help remediate the area that was formerly the Lake Chad lake basin, which has severely diminished in size due to global warming. Our GSLC online donation page is accessible by clicking [here](#), or via the QR code on the poster that follows. If your preference would be to donate cash or a cheque towards this initiative, we have special envelopes available for that purpose as well. Donations can be anonymous or else you can opt to show your name next to your donation amount – the choice is up to you! As the *Season of Creation* is almost here, we welcome your support through the launch our “CLWR - Friends of Creation” fundraising page. Donate once or donate as often as the Spirit moves you. See the bulletin board for more info. If using envelopes, please make your cheques payable to CLWR.

Summer Foodbank Drive: As the summer months and summer holidays are coming to a close, so too is our Summer Foodbank Drive. Thank you to all who contributed food or financial donations to SHARE to help restock their shelves over the summer months. Your donations are so very much appreciated, as we continue trying to actively help others in need and care for our neighbours.

Our Next Big Community Event!: Plans are taking shape for our next big fall community celebration. It will be a music festival on our parking lot featuring folk, jazz and rock music acts. There will be free food and ice cream, kids activities, contributions from the Kwikwetlem First Nation and some quieter indoor activities. We are looking for volunteers to help out with various tasks, and you can sign up on the sign-up sheet on the Ushers Table. As well, please see the poster that follows and plan to attend.

Favourite Hymn Sing: As is our usual practice over the summer months, we gather ten minutes before the service starts (at 10:20 am) to sing a couple of our favourite hymns before our regular service begins. The songs sung are selected by those attending, so come early and nominate your favourite hymn!

Job Opportunity – Youth Minister: ignyte, the joint youth ministry of Good Shepherd and St. Laurence Anglican, is looking to hire a new leader. This is a role for someone who loves working with young people, thrives on genuine relationships, and is ready to build something meaningful in partnership with a community poised for growth. To see more details, click on the ignYte page on our website [here](#).

Lutheran Manor Society – Notice of Special General Meeting: The Board of Lutheran Manor Society has called a Special General Meeting for **Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at 7:00 PM** over Zoom. See the notice that follows for all the details.

Liberating Lutherans: Theology & Organizing for the Church Today: *Spirit of Life* and *Church of the Cross* (2 churches in our Synod) are collaborating on an on-line education offering consisting of 1 hour classes on

Thursdays, from September 17 to November 5. This is brief survey of Liberation Theology and its application to ministry today in our context. This is not an academic course, but a reading group open to anyone who wants to join. For more information, contact either of the church offices who will forward your email on.

spiritoflifelutheranoffice@gmail.com

lutheranchurchofthecross@shaw.ca

Campfire in the City: You are invited to come and join us at Dunbar Lutheran's garden (3491 West 31st Ave) for evenings of family-friendly campfire fun – songs, stories, and s'mores. Stop by for the evening, or just for a while. Bring a lawn chair if you have one – if not, we'll find a seat for you. Light drizzle won't stop us, but in case of heavy rain, the event will be cancelled. We gather in the summer months with the final one next month on **Friday evening, September 11th, 7:30 pm – 9 pm**. See the poster that follows for all the details.

Seeking Accommodation: Yvon Malenfant and Michelle Ryu are seeking temporary housing. If you have any, or know of any, please let them know. Yvon writes:

We are looking for temporary housing for the interim. 1 bedroom with a bathroom would be great! Something not too expensive. Let us know if you have anything. Thank you for your kind consideration.

Yvon & Michelle: 778-862-5240 Y / 778-863-5240 M

'Every Square Foot Counts' – Educational Opportunities for Congregations:

- This month's blog post is "**What the Quiet Season Is Asking of Us**" which invites congregations to reflect on how their buildings and land they sit on are seen and understood by their neighbourhoods. Read the full blog [here](#).

ignYte Return it Express Account: You're invited to support our ignYte Youth Ministry with your recyclables. See the instructions on the bulletin board.



ITEMS FROM THE ELCIC NATIONAL OFFICE:

- **Bishop Larry's Prayer for Nepal:** As we receive the news of the devastating landslide and flash flooding in Nepal, we offer the following prayer... "Gracious God, strengthen and embrace all touched by the landslide and flash flooding in Nepal. Accompany all who grieve, who suffer, who are in pain. Be near to those who watch and wait. Support all who seek to provide care, who sit with the grieving, who search for the living. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen."
- **Bishop Larry's Pastoral Letter on Season of Creation**
- **Bishop Dr. Imad Haddad - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land (ELCJHL)'s Message**
- **Pastoral Letter from ReconcilingWorks**
- **Messages and Statements from the National Bishop:** Stay informed and connection when you click [here](#).

GREATER CHURCH NEWS

- **CCC Invitation to join a Reading & Discussion Group this fall:** The Canadian Council of Churches (CCC) invites you to join a small-group reading experience of Pope Leo XIV's encyclical, ***Magnifica Humanitas (Magnificent Humanity)***. This encyclical explores a vital question for our time: *What does it mean to safeguard the human person in the age of Artificial Intelligence?* As AI technologies become increasingly embedded in our daily lives, Pope Leo XIV offers this reflection as a gift to the world, calling us to deepen our understanding and respond with wisdom. To join a BC Reading Group over Zoom or to learn more, click [here](#).
- **WCC Wants to Hear From You!** WCC invites all members of the church to complete a short survey that will help the WCC team shape their news, stories, resources and more. The survey can be found [here](#).

- **Thursdays in Black ambassadors reviewed framework for global activities:** Read more [here](#).
- **Monthly Reflections on Climate Justice:** The Task Force on Carbon Neutrality provides monthly reflections on climate justice to encourage engagement, share resources and call for prayer, reflection and learning. *Biblical Passages Related to Climate Change and Carbon Neutrality* and *Community Focused Environmental Stewardship* are monthly reflections that you can read today by [clicking here](#).

JUSTICE UPDATES

Please watch this space for future justice updates.

A gentle reminder that in consideration of those who have severe sensitivities and allergies, the church has been designated a fragrance-free zone. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

This Week At Church (Note 1)

This Sunday *Favourite Hymn Sing at 10:20 am*
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time worship service with Holy Communion at 10:30 am. (view live-stream [here](#))
Followed by Church Potluck Picnic as close to noon as possible.

Wednesday *Prayer Gathering at 1:30 pm*

Next Sunday *Favourite Hymn Sing at 10:20 am*
First Sunday in the Season of Creation worship service with Holy Communion at 10:30 am.

Note: Most events are in-person events except those noted “on Zoom” or “Online”. The links to these online events are accessible through our website [here](#). Our Sunday morning worship service is offered in-person, live-streamed and via on-line recording posted to our website shortly after the service is over, unless otherwise noted.

Last Week at Church

*Bob & Linda Berry are away for a few weeks.
 As a result, weekly financial reporting will be
 delayed until their return.*



MUSIC IN THE

PARK(ING LOT)

FEATURING

ROCK - Gift Shop - The Ultimate Tribute to the Tragically Hip

FOLK - Yvon Malenfant & Friends

JAZZ - The Nikolaj Hansen Quartet

DETAILS



12:00 - 4:00 PM Sept 12



1504 Spruce Ave, Coquitlam

FREE Admission

Food, Kids activities,
kwikwəłəm First Nation,
and much more.

(please bring your lawn chair)

More Info:





Come join us for

Campfire *in the City*

Summer Fridays 7:30 – 9 pm

June 12	August 14
July 10	September 11

Songs, stories, and s'mores
Bring a lawn chair if you have one

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dunbarlutheran.ca

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FALL 2020

**THEOLOGY &
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CHURCH TODAY**

**SEPTEMBER 17 –
NOVEMBER 5
8 THURSDAYS
7:15 – 8:15 PM
MEET OVER ZOOM**

**FREE & OPEN TO
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SYNOD & FRIENDS**

**WEEKLY READINGS &
SPECIAL GUESTS
LEADERS: AUDREY
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Friends of Creation *Milestones*

Our Friends of Creation journey so far

- ☐ Climate + Water
- ☐ Climate + Food
- ☐ Climate + Economy
- ☐ Climate + Peace
- ☐ Put faith in action
- ☐ Reached goal
towards _____ acres!

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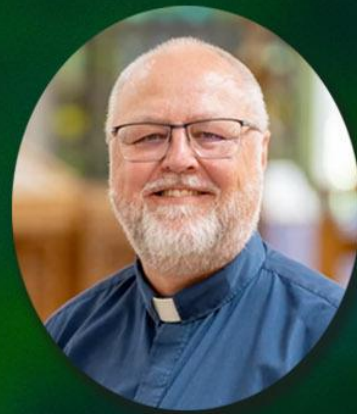




Conversations Across the Church

Sunday, September 13, 2026
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. CST

Please join **National Bishop
Larry Kochendorfer** and
guests for an hour of devotion,
reflection and conversation.



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Lutheran Manor Society of Vancouver BC

Notice of Special General Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Lutheran Manor Society of Vancouver BC calls a Special General Meeting for Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at 7:00 PM. The mode of meeting will be hybrid: both in-person at 375 W. 10th Avenue, Vancouver, and by Zoom.

Per the Society's Bylaws, all members of ELCIC-BC Synod congregations and all members of parishes of the Anglican Church of Canada in British Columbia are eligible to become members of the Society by registering for and attending the AGM.

The purpose of the Special General Meeting is to approve the Society's Audited Financial Statements for the 2025 Fiscal Year and appoint the auditor for the 2026 Fiscal Year.

The Board welcomes everyone to attend in person in the facilities located at 375 W. 10th Avenue, Vancouver, or by Zoom. To attend by Zoom and to obtain the link, please register by contacting Chair Stephanie Oldford, at stephanie.oldford@gmail.com no later than Noon on Monday, September 28, 2026.

On behalf of the Board,
Stephanie Oldford, Chair

Welcome to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

We welcome you to worship today. It is our prayer that you sense the joy that is present in Jesus Christ. God loves and values each of you without conditions attached. We bring our joys and needs before God, trusting in God's presence.

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General Office Hours				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00	10:00 – 2:00

We always recommend phoning before stopping by.



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Website

