



**ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN**  
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**9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – July 25, 2021**

Officiant: Wherever you are, whoever you are, we welcome you to the Anglican Church of St. Peter, Quamichan.

Christ our true and only Light: receive our prayers and songs and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace. Amen. (Source: Gelasian Sacramentary)

We acknowledge and give thanks for the Land:  
Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first occupied this land we are upon. We give thanks to the Coast Salish People and the Cowichan People, the first people of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be interred in this land and all lands in this country. We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land. Creator let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. **Amen.**

**The Gathering of the Community**

Officiant: Grace and peace to you from God.

**All: God fill you with truth and joy.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**All: The Lord bless you.**

Officiant: This is the day which the Lord has made.

**All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**Opening Sentence** A great prophet has arisen among us! God has visited God's own people. *Luke 7:16*

Officiant: Almighty God,

**All: to whom all hearts are open, 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Introit:** *My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout*

**The Collect of the Day**

Officiant: God be with you

**All: And also with you.**

Officiant: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Hymn:** *Break Thou the Bread of Life*

Officiant: I invite you to settle your hearts as we listen to these words of scripture.

**First Reading: 2 Samuel 11:1-15**

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant."

So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

Reader: Here what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 14**

1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \* **All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.**

2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, \* **to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.**

3 Everyone has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; \* **there is none who does good; no, not one.**

4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \* **who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?**

5 See how they tremble with fear, \* **because God is in the company of the righteous.**

6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \* **but the Lord is their refuge.**

7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \* **when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.**

Together let us pray,

**God of wisdom and love, without you neither truth nor holiness can survive. Show your mighty presence among us, and make us glad in proclaiming your deliverance in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Gospel: John 6:1-21**

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish.

But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Leader: The Good News of Jesus Christ.

All: **Praise to Christ, the Word**

**Homily** – The Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk

### ***Music for reflection***

### **Prayers of the People**

Leader: God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and to be loved. Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbours and our community, loving others as he loves us. *Silence...*

For your love and goodness

All: **We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. Give them courage and hope in their distress and bless those who minister to them. We remember especially, Brian, Geoff, Chris, Bob, Andrea, Peggy, Rocke, Sandee, Jennifer, Vital, Teresa, Frank, Pearl, Brandon David, Priscilla, and Connie. For those who are suffering from Covid-19 and the aftereffects, we lift to you, the people of this province, who have been affected by fire. *Silence...*

For your love and goodness

All: **We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us in creation and the rich heritage of these islands. Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nations remembering especially Justin our Prime Minister and John our Premier, Dr. Bonnie Henry, William, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and all of the leaders of first nations people across this land. We pray for Al and Michelle our mayors. We lift to you farmers across our country who are struggling to raise their produce against these conditions of drought. Guide all to live with tolerance as we continue to seek justice, peace, and reconciliation. *Silence...*

For your love and goodness

All: **We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: We pray for your Church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and his kingdom. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory. *Silence*

**All:** For your love and goodness  
**We give you thanks, O God.**

**Leader:** We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom. *Silence...*

**All:** For your love and goodness  
**We give you thanks, O God.**

**Leader:** Merciful God, you look with compassion on all who turn to you. Hear the prayers of your people. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

**Leader** The peace of Christ be always with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

**Hymn:** ***With His Hands***

**Officiant:** Give thanks for all God's goodness

**All:** **God's love shall last for ever.**

### **Birthdays this week**

### **Blessing**

**Officiant:** The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**

**Hymn:** ***One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All***

### **Dismissal:**

**Leader:** Grace and peace remain with you, and keep you in the love of Christ. Alleluia

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

### **Flowers on the Altar**

### **Announcements**