



# Welcome To PARISH OF CENTRAL SAANICH

# June 20, 2021 National Indigenous Day of Prayer



# Join us as we worship the living Christ!

Our guiding theme: "Hope, our anchor!" "We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul,"

# Weekly Online Services will be offered at ParishCS.ca

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We acknowledge that we gather to worship on the traditional lands of the WSÁNEĆ and Coast Salish peoples

The Rev. Dr. Lon Towstego, Incumbent The Rt. Rev. Dr. Logan McMenamie, Honorary Assistant

## June 20, 2021 Iona Morning Prayer

The Rev. Dr. Lon Towstego, Presider

A Warm Welcome to all who are worshipping with us! The congregation says or sings the items in **bold** typeface.

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Prelude: Good Good Father

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like, But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night. You tell me that You're pleased, and that I'm never alone.

You're a Good, Good Father; It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are. And I'm loved by You; It's who I am, it's who I am.

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide, But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide. 'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word.

You're a Good, Good Father; It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are. And I'm loved by You; It's who I am, it's who I am.

You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.

Love so undeniable, I can hardly speak.

Peace so unexplainable, I can hardly think

As You call me deeper still, as You call me deeper still,

As You call me deeper still into love, love, love.

You're a Good, Good Father; It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are. And I'm loved by You; It's who I am, it's who I am.

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Welcome & Land Acknowledgement – Fern Perkins

Gathering Song: Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, Opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You.

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, Glorious in heaven above. Humbly You came to the earth You created, All for love's sake became poor.

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.

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Lon: We are claimed as God's own.

All: We are called from our darkness into the light of God's day.

Lon: The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth. O come, let us worship. In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began,

All: God Was

Lon: Here and now, among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth, for the purposes of heaven,

All: God Is

Lon: In the future, when we have turned to dust and all we know has found its fulfilment,

All: God Will Be

Lon: Not denying the world, but delighting in it, Not condemning the world, but redeeming it, Through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit

All: God Was, God Is, God Will Be Glory to the Father and the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.

Lon: Let us pray

In you, gracious God, the widowed find a carer, the orphaned find a parent the fearful find a friend in you,

And if some need to say, "Help me"

And if some need to say, "Save me"

And if some need to say, "Hold me"

And if some need to say, "Forgive me"

Then let these be said now in confidence by us.

# Moment of silence

Lon: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Great is the Lord and worthy of all praise.

All: Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour, power and might, be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.

Lon: O Christ, in whose heart is both welcome and warning. Say to us, do to us, reveal within us the things that will make us whole. And we will wait; And we will praise. **Amen.** 

Lon: Prayer of the Day: 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.

#### The Ministry of the Word

### Isaiah 40:25-31 NRSV – Greg Robinson

<sup>25</sup> To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> 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"? <sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. <sup>30</sup> Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; <sup>31</sup> 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 of God is saying.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### **Psalm 19 BAS** – Rachel Moss

- *I* The heavens declare the glory of God, \* and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another, \* and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language, \* and their voices are not heard.
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \* and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he 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.
- 6 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.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; \* the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; \* the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; \* the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \* sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \* and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? \* cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. **Amen.** 

# **Philippians 4:4-9** – *Greg Robinson*

- <sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- <sup>8</sup> Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, 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. <sup>9</sup> 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 Thanks be to God.

Gradual Song: What A Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High. Your hidden glory in creation, Now revealed in You our Christ.

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is, The Name of Jesus Christ, my King. What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this. What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us, So Jesus, You brought heaven down. My sin was great, Your love was greater; What could separate us now? What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You, You silence the boast of sin and grave. The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory For You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal. Now and forever God, You reign. Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names.

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus Christ, my King. What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against. What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

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Lon: God be with you.

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup> in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup> The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup> He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup> (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."") <sup>16</sup> From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup> The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> 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.

Lon:: The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon -The Rt. Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee

## **Affirmation of Faith**

## The Apostles' 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 again 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.

### A Litany for the Healing and Restoration of our Church

From the Anglican Diocese of Rupert's Land, 2017

Greg: Holy Creator, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being.

All: Have mercy on us.

Greg: Risen Christ, through whom the whole creation is reconciled to God.

All: Have mercy on us.

Greg: Life-giving Spirit, whose love and truth fills the world and searches the depths of our lives.

All: Have mercy on us.

Greg: Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity.

All: Have mercy on us.

Greg: From our failure to recognize and respect the revelation of your truth and love in the First Peoples of this land,

All: Saviour, forgive and heal us.

Greg: From our participation in the systematic oppression of indigenous sovereignty, language, culture and spirituality,

All: Saviour, forgive and heal us.

Greg: From our role in the Indian Residential Schools designed to eliminate the unique society, wisdom and beauty of the indigenous peoples of this land,

All: Saviour, forgive and heal us.

Greg: From our complicit tolerance of the decimation of Indigenous family structures leaving children vulnerable to abuses of every kind.

All: Saviour, forgive and heal us.

Greg: From our continued acceptance of unjust legal, educational, health and social structures that continue to oppress and destroy the lives of many indigenous people,

All: Saviour, forgive and heal us.

We pray for all leaders of church and community including the Anglican Church of Canada – Linda, Lynn and Mark; Anna, our bishop; Eric and Sts. Christopher and Aidan, Lake Cowichan; Bishop Lesley and the Diocese of Yukon and for Father Rolf and the people of the Roman Catholic Saanich Peninsula Parish.

We hold up to you in prayer, all those in need as mentioned in our bulletin and known only to you.

Greg: O God, we pray for the gifts of your grace and your love which never gives up on us and is forever faithful. Inspire our minds with a vision of the reconciliation of your kingdom in this time and place.

All: Hear us, O Christ.

Greg: Touch our eyes, that we may see the sacredness in all creation.

All: Hear us, O Christ.

Greg: Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth of every

peoples the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

All: Hear us, O Christ.

Greg: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us sing as our

Saviour taught us,

Our Father in heaven,
Your name is holy,
May Your will be done here,
May Your kingdom come,
You supply all we need, Lord,
Forgive us our transgressions
As we forgive others
Who trespass against us.

And lead us, dear Father,
Not into temptation,
Deliver us, Lord, from the evil one's snare.
For Yours is the kingdom,
And Yours is the power,
And Yours is the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.

## **Confession and Absolution**

Bishop: Let us confess our sins to God.

All: God of mercy, we have sinned against you and against

others. We have sinned in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, forgive us all that is past and raise us to newness of

life. Amen.

Bishop: Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive

your sins, strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and keep you

in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

All: Amen.

**The Peace** – Bishop Anna

**Doxology** - Lon

Lon: Glory to God

All: Whose love, 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.

Blessing - Bishop Anna

Sending Song: I Lift My Eyes Up

I lift my eyes up to the mountains.
Where does my help come from?
My help comes from You, maker of heaven,
Creator of the earth.

Oh how I need You, Lord. You are my only hope. You're my only prayer. So I will wait for You to come and rescue me. Come and give me life.

I lift my eyes up to the mountains. Where does my help come from? My help comes from You, maker of heaven, Creator of the earth.

Oh how I need You, Lord. You are my only hope. You're my only prayer. So I will wait for You to come and rescue me. Come and give me life.

I lift my eyes up to the mountains. Where does my help come from?

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#### Dismissal:

Greg: In the name of the Light that came into the world go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Courageous

We were made to be courageous, we were made to lead the way; We could be the generation that fin'lly breaks the chains. We were made to be courageous, we were made to be courageous.

We were warriors on the frontline, standing unafraid, But now we're watchers on the sidelines while our fam'lies slip away. Where are you men of courage? You were made for so much more. Let the pounding of our hearts cry, "We will serve the Lord!" We were made to be courageous, and we're taking back the fight. We were made to be courageous, and it starts with us tonight. The only way we'll ever stand is on our knees with lifted hands. Make us courageous, Lord, make us courageous.

This is our resolution, our answer to the call: We will love our wives and children; we refuse to let them fall. We will reignite the passion that we buried deep inside. May the watchers become warriors; let the men of God arise.

We were made to be courageous, and we're taking back the fight. We were made to be courageous, and it starts with us tonight. The only way we'll ever stand is on our knees with lifted hands. Make us courageous, Lord, make us courageous.

Seek justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God. Seek justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God.

In the war of the mind, I will make my stand, In the battle of the heart and the battle of the hand. In the war of the mind, I will make my stand, In the battle of the heart and the battle of the hand.

We were made to be courageous, and we're taking back the fight. We were made to be courageous, and it starts with us tonight. The only way we'll ever stand is on our knees with lifted hands. Make us courageous, Lord, make us courageous.

We were made to be courageous,

Seek justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God. Lord, make us courageous!

Seek justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God. We were made to be courageous,

Seek justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your God. Lord, make us courageous!

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## **READINGS – JUNE 27, 2021**

Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

#### **OUTREACH**

<u>ST. MARY'S OUTREACH</u> – For those who do not have offering envelopes, you may bring your outreach offering in a plain envelope, marked "Outreach for Month of \_\_\_\_" with your name and address and, if applicable, your Electronic Collection Plate number.

May	Saanich Peninsula Lions Food Bank
June	ORCCA Dental Clinic

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May	South Island Centre for Counselling and Training
June	Blue Bus Ministry (Youth for Christ)



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The Foundation annually supports projects such as these across Canada and donations to the Foundation are always gratefully received.

#### INTERCESSIONS

<u>Anglican Cycle of Prayer</u>: We pray for The Church of North Indian (United); for the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin; the Anglican Church of Canada – Linda, Lynn and Mark.

<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:</u> We pray for Anna, our bishop; Eric and Sts. Christopher and Aidan, Lake Cowichan and Bishop Lesley and the Diocese of Yukon. For the Priests and people of the Roman Catholic Saanich Peninsula Parish.

Our Parish Ministers: Lon, Logan, Brett, Bob, Lorry.

<u>In our Parish:</u> We pray for our Leadership Team: David C., David S., Deb, Don, Ian, John, Karen, Ken, Lon, Lynda, Sandra, and Terry

For those ill or in need of prayer: Neville

**For Those with Long-Term Needs:** Erica, Cheryl, Margaret & Tony, Sharie, Lise, Ted, Doreen H., Brenda, Louise, Liz, Cathy and John, Ken B.

For friends beyond the parish: Jennifer, Pam, Kate, Scott, Steve & John, Grace, Marie S., Marian K., Isaiah, Peggy, Chuck & Emily, Dimas & Violeta, Shelia & Candice, Geoffrey & Olivia, Amanda, Thea, Val, Sister Amy Joy, Dr. Bonnie, Sharon, Donna, Virginia

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The Wardens

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