

Season of Creation 2019

Food and Faith, Together

St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral

Your Anglican Cathedral in Kamloops BC



We gather today on the traditional territory of the Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc – Kamloops & Area First Nation. We acknowledge their care for and working of the land prior to contact with Europeans. As Canadian Anglicans, we continue to work toward healing and reconciliation and a new experience of sharing the land together



TERRITORY
OF THE PEOPLE

FOOD AND FAITH, TOGETHER

A Liturgy for Appreciative Living

GATHERING

The Choir and Sanctuary Party enter as music is played.

The heavens declare the glory of God.
The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.
The plants and trees show God's presence.
Let us join with creation in praising God.

God of all creation, who moves and inspires us through every time and season, we bless you and praise you for the gift of life in your good created world. Grant to us grace and humility to so order our lives that we may honor you among all peoples and nations, create wholesome and right companionship with our fellow living creatures, and work for the healing of this world that you created.

Teach us to see and hear your power in the winds and waves, mountains and valleys, and rivers, so that we may glorify your goodness to us and live rightly in your creation. We pray to you through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Spirit, Three in One, One in Three, now and forever. **Amen.**

MUSIC

TIME WITH OUR
YOUNGER MEMBERS



BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

Shine your light on us, God, as we gather around your word.
By your Spirit, make our lives fertile ground in which your
word takes root and grows, through Christ we pray. **Amen.**

The First Reading and a Psalm

The Second Reading

MUSIC

The Gospel Proclamation

SERMON AND OTHER
INSPIRATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND PARDON



All creation invites us to join our voices in praise to God.
Trusting in God's mercy and grace, let us confess our sin to
God and one another.

**Generous God, you created us and placed us here to care for
all of creation. Forgive us for turning away from you and for
neglecting the earth. Raise us up and make us again
stewards of your creation that we may see your presence in
all that surrounds us; through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Hear and receive this good news to all who long to see and
encounter Christ. Today, salvation comes to this house.

Know that we are forgiven and live in peace with one another and with the earth.

THE PEACE IS PASSED AT THIS POINT. NEXT WE SING AS THE TABLE IS PREPARED AND WE RETURN THANKS TO GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

TABLE MINISTRY

A Blessing

Bless these gifts and our lives, O God, that we may share ourselves and our belongings with those in need. Lift up our voices with those of all creation that sing out in praise for your grace and love. **Amen.**



Invitation to the Table

Jesus invites us to come to the table. Here, in this bread and wine, may we encounter Christ who Calls us to care for the poor, the earth, and all who are in need. All who long for Christ are welcome at this table.

The following Eucharistic Prayer is from the Salal and Cedar Watershed Community in the Diocese of New Westminster, adapted by kjg

May God be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up

Let us give thanks to God our Creator

It is right to give our thanks and praise



It is right in all times and in all places to thank and praise you Creator of all. We praise you here where the Thompson Rivers blend and flow, where city and farm, wilderness and industry are side by side. We praise you at a time when the body of earth is broken again and again.

We give thanks for our place in the story of salvation. Our ancestors journeyed with you in creation and migration. They depended on the land, were displaced from the land and displaced others from their lands. They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains and by wells, in families and in dreams, and through wilderness prophets who spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.

Together with angels and ancestors, eagle and bear, salmon and sheep, pine and wild rose, we join our voices with all creation in this ancient honour song:

O holy, holy, holy God, O God of time and space.

All earth and sea and sky above bear witness to your grace.

Hosanna in the highest heav'n creation sings your praise.

And blessed is the One who comes and bears your name always!

We give thanks to you for Jesus, whose first bed was a feed trough. He was baptized in the Jordan, tested in the wilderness, he traveled in fishing boats and told parables of farmers and seeds, labor and wages, yeast and bread.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, food of the poor, the work of field and hearth, he gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his friends saying: Take and eat, this is my body, given for you, do this to remember me.

Again after supper he took the cup of wine, fruit of the land, gave thanks and gave it to his friends saying: This is my blood, which is shed for you. When you do this, do it in memory of me.



Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection and awaiting his coming kingdom, we offer you this bread and this cup.

Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts so that we know Jesus in them and are gathered together with everyone who shares this sacred meal of justice and community.

Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that we may strive for justice and peace, respect the dignity of every human being, and safeguard the integrity of creation.

Bring us with all your saints to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily, child and beggar which is both now and yet to come.

All honor and glory are yours, Creator, Christ and Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER IS
SUNG

BREAKING OF THE
BREAD



Today, Christ meets us at this table.
Today, salvation comes to this place.
These are the gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

Communion is shared – Prayer ministry is available at the back of the Cathedral – special music is offered during the distribution of bread and wine

Announcements, the Dean

DEPARTING

As we depart, a Prayer for our Earth
*From Laudato Si', Pope Francis - Please join in the **bold** text*

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe
and in the smallest of your creatures.

**You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.**

Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

**O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.**

Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

**Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.**

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united
with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

**We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle
for justice, love and peace. Amen**

MUSIC

A leader dismisses us as we depart.

***Please leave this booklet in the pew as it will be used throughout this year's
Season of Creation.***

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