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Holy Communion
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Season of Creation Pentecost 16
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**SEASON OF
CREATION**
SEPTEMBER 1- OCTOBER 4

Gilakas'la & Huy'ch'qa!
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey,
you are welcome at St. John the Divine.
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You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. -2 Corinthians 8.9

Processional Hymn: # 427 All Beautiful the March of Days

Welcome & Acknowledgment of Land

Stewardship Campaign 2022/23

Call to Worship

We gather here in this place, **familiar to some of us, new perhaps to others, seeking to find meaning in our lives, looking for the “more than” that we sense all around us— in creation and in the mystery of one another. So, come, let us gather in community as we continue the journey. Come, and let us worship God. Amen**

(We prepare our hearts for worship in silence)

The Gathering of the Community (Service begins on p. 185)

Glory to God p. 186

Kyrie Eleison p. 186

Collect Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word (Led by Lynn Gray)

Hebrew Scripture: JEREMIAH 32:1-3A, 6-15

Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16 **R: I will protect you, and bring you to honour.**

The Epistle: 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

Gospel Hymn: # 529 God, My Hope on you is Founded

The Gospel: LUKE 16:19-31

Homily: “Imbalance or Set up to Fail: A Gospel Reflection”

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed p. 189 *(please stand as able)*

Prayers of the People (Led by Doug Shantz)

Confession and Absolution p. 191

Offertory Hymn: # 610 Before I Take the Body of My Lord

Prayer over the Gifts Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (sung) p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread (prayer # 2) p. 212

The Communion (*all are welcome to receive communion*)

Communion Hymn: # 649 Breath on Me Breath of God

Prayer after Communion: Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Doxology (Old 100th): **Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise him all creatures here below! Praise him above ye heavenly
hosts! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: # 589 Come, O God of all the Earth

*All are welcome to join us after the service in the church hall
for coffee & fellowship ☺*

Announcements:

- Treasurer Position open, Barb's last day Nov. 2/22. Please let Rev. Alastair know if you are interested in holding this position.
- Men's Coffee Meeting, Mon. Sept 26, 8am, hall
- Garden Appreciation meeting on 4th Tuesday (Sept 27) Sept only 2pm parish hall
- Blessing of Pets Sunday October 2 during Sunday service
- Blessing Boutique every Monday, 10-2, hall
- Bible Study "The GIG" every Tuesday via Zoom 3:30pm
- Chair Yoga, every Wednesday, 11:30-12:15 (NEW TIME), hall
- Outreach Focus for September is Cumberland Community Forest Society

- Start collecting your harvest fruits and vegis to donate to Altar Guild for Thanksgiving display
- DONATIONS NEEDED Blessing Box, non-perishable food items

Rev. Alastair's Joke of the Day:

One Saturday morning, Father Jones goes to visit one of his congregants, Sam Smith

"Good day Sam. I'll come straight to the point. I've come here because our church needs your help. You've been a member for over 20 years and you're always quick to tithe and help out when you can. But as you are aware, we are in a financial crisis so I've come here to ask you for a little extra for the new building fund."

"How much are you looking to get from me - how big is little?" asks Sam.

"I'll be honest. \$30,000 would be a tremendous help to us," replies the priest."

Sam responds, "Father, my daughter Sarah is soon getting married and she has asked me for \$250,000 to help her buy that house in the suburbs. And my son David is just starting college and tuition alone is \$25,000 a year there. My wife Jenny needs dental surgery which is \$20,000 for the doctors' fees and in-patient facilities. And my mother is in a nursing home, they are asking for \$35,000 a year."

"I didn't know that you had so many financial obligations Sam," says Fr. Jones.

"I do," replies Sam. "And Father if I can say 'no' to them, I can say 'no' to you."

Thank-you for your continued prayers and support of our parish ministry here at St. John's. If you'd like to give financially, please visit: <https://www.sjtdcourtenay.ca> and click on the "Donate" tab.

If you are new, please drop us a line (phone or email) and let us know if you would be interested in a call or pastoral visit from Rev. Alastair.

Rev. Alastair can be reached at: Email: ahunting@bc.anglican.ca or Cell: 250-650-0889

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY (OCTOBER 2, 2022)

LAMENTATIONS 1:1-6; LAMENTATIONS 3:19-26 AS CANTICLE OR
PSALM 137; 2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14; LUKE 17:5-101
