

St. Alban's Anglican Church

7260 St. Alban's Road Richmond B.C. V6Y 2K3 Phone: 604-278-2770 Fax: 604-278-3384
e-mail address: office@stalbansrichmond.org web Site: www.stalbansrichmond.org



The Reign of Christ

November 21st, 2021

8:30 am BCP Service in person & On-line

All Welcome.

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
November 21st, 2021, 8:30 am service The Reign of Christ

"St. Alban's Anglican Church, Richmond, acknowledge we gather on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish people, the hən̓ q̓ əmin̓ əm̓ 'language group. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is God's land."

Prayer The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And with thy Spirit.

Collect for Purity

**Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Trisagion

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy immortal one,
have mercy upon us.**

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
**whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Reader: Sandy Scherban

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 93

The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty;*

the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength;

indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.

Your throne was established long ago;*

you are from all eternity.

The seas have lifted up, Lord,*

the seas have lifted up their voice;

the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

Mightier than the thunder of the great waters,*

mightier than the breakers of the sea—

the Lord on high is mighty.

Your statutes, Lord, stand firm;*

holiness adorns your house

for endless days.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

Reader:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Reader: Rev Mercier

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Jesus Christ.

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

John 18:33-37

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

The Reverend Armand Mercier

Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds,
God, of God; Light, of Light;
very God, of very God;
begotten, not made;
being of one substance with the Father;
through whom all things were made:**

**who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of
the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and
was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.**

**And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord, the Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified,
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.
and I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And
the Life of the world to come. Amen**

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, our Bishop **John Stephens** , and our Archbishop **Lynne McNaughton** that they may all by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy sacraments (*Diocesan prayer list*): prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the gospel of thy kingdom among the nations (*the Episcopal Diocese of the Northern Philippines, Brent Alawas, bishop*); and to thy all people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life (*St. Alban's congregational prayer list*).

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace; and grant unto thy servant **ELIZABETH** our Queen, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue. (*Canadian leaders*)

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired (*name*)s.

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; and we bless thy holy name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom (*names*)

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen**

Confession and Absolution

Hear what comfortable words our Lord Jesus Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him:

Come unto to me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Matt 11:28

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Jn 3:16

Hear also what St. Paul saith:

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be believed, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Tim 1:15

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2.1,2

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Priest Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***All* And with thy spirit.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of Gifts

The Prayer over the Gifts Eternal God,
**by your grace you have raised us up
and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms.
Receive all we offer you this day,
and lead us in those good works
for which you have created us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

Thanksgiving and Consecration

Priest The Lord be with you.

***All* And with thy spirit.**

Priest Lift up your hearts;

***All* We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

***All* It is meet and right so to do.**

Priest

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Therefore with angels and archangels, and, with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising Thee and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me".

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee,
and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs from under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

or

Lamb of God

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, **have mercy upon us.**
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, **have mercy upon us.**
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, **grant us thy peace.**

Communion.

After Holy Communion

The Priest shall then continue:

Almighty God,
you have made us a royal priesthood
in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Make known his victory through us, we pray,
that all the world may see his light.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All **Glory to God,**
 whose power, 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

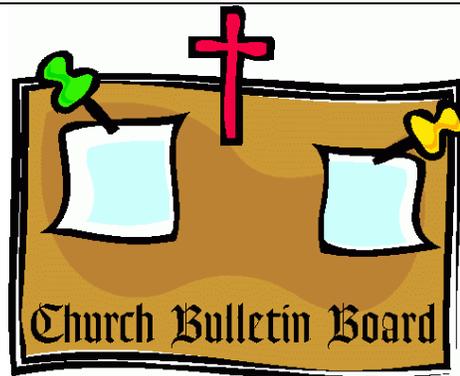
ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen*

Blessing and Dismissal

Priest The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Go in the Light of Christ!

Thanks be to God.



We are planning on creating a new “**Refreshed**” Hall front entrance Bulletin board display with a Parish Directory of portraits. If you would like your photo taken by Larry Scherban for this, he will be creating portraits **TODAY** after the 10 am service! Come ready with your beautiful smiles today. If you would like to purchase a 5 x 7 copy the cost will be \$10.00.

HELP NEEDED

Garden Clean Up

Tuesday Nov 23rd 10 am

If you or a loved has a truck to help haul leaves that would be terrific, all Welcome!!!

Songs of the Season

A joint Advent service of lessons and Carols of the Anglican and United Churches of Richmond!



Please join us 7:00pm

Celebrate the beginning of Advent
with special music and readings.

Sunday November 28th, 2021

St. Albans Anglican Church
7260 St. Albans Road Richmond BC

Masks required. Physical distancing in place. Refreshments to follow in the hall.



St. Alban's
Christmas Craft Fair
November 27

Bake Sale

If you can assist with baking for the Craft Fair:

- Bake! Cookies, tarts, bars, loaves
- Take the baked goods to the church hall between 9-9:30am, Saturday November 27
- **Please ensure baked goods are packaged (wrapped) and sale ready**



St. Albans is hosting the reception following the *Songs of the Season* service. Sun Nov 28th

If you can assist with set-up, baking (we will happily accept Christmas baking and goodies, savories also welcomed) and take down, please contact Stephanie: garychristie@telus.net Thank you

Notice:

Today is Library Sunday. Please drop by the library in the lounge on the way to coffee hour. I'd be happy to help you find a book for your Advent reading. - Kathy Yeo

Prayers for the Week of Nov 21st, 2021

✠ For the World:

+ for all set in authority, that they may serve truthfully and faithfully for the edifying and well-governing of all peoples.

✠ For the Nation:

+ For all those in BC suffering from the flooding and mudslides, and for all those working to support those impacted and restore order in the affected regions

✠ For the Church:

+ for the Anglican Communion:

- The Church of Bangladesh

✠ For the Anglican Church in Canada,

+ For Linda Nicholls our Primate, for John Stephens our Bishop, for Lynne Mc Naughton our Archbishop of B.C. & The Yukon and in The Principal, The Secretary General and staff of the Anglican Communion Office + In the Evangelical Lutheran Church In Canada: The General Secretary and staff of the Lutheran World Federation + In the Diocese of New Westminster the parishioners, clergy and staff of St. Catherine of Alexandria, Port Coquitlam and St. Clement, North Vancouver.

✠ For St. Alban's:

+ for our parish councilors. + for all programmes under our Outreach umbrella, and those who lead them; + for the Volunteers whose work makes these essential services happen; + for all members of our congregation near and far.

✠ For the Sick and Suffering:

+ those recovering: Jennifer Everson + those who are sick: Mable, June Svensson, Valerie Scherban, Esther White and Eric Hanson.

✠ For the Dying:

+ for those who have died, including Helen Woods and those who mourn, including Helen's family and friends.

Staff Office hours:

Jennifer – Tues & Thurs work from home.

Wed's and Fri in the office 9am -12pm.

Please note Jennifer's "in office" schedule can change weekly depending on circumstances.

The Office telephones do get messages to us, or you can email at:

- Reverend Armand Mercier revadmercier@gmail.com
780-220-5063
- Jennifer Kirk office@stalbansrichmond.org
- Larry Scherban – Vicars Warden larry@cameraonephoto.com
- Dale Yamada – People's Warden yamadadale@gmail.com
- Stephanie Christie – Associate Warden garychristie@telus.net
- Thelma O'Keeffe – Envelope Secretary stanokee@telus.net
- Sandy Scherban – Treasurer sandy_scherban@shaw.com

Ministering Through the Liturgy

Celebrant & Preacher:

The Reverend Armand Mercier

Music:

Kyumin Lee

Bulletin:

Jennifer

Readers:

Sandy Scherban, Rev Mercier

Altar Guild:

Stephanie Christie & Anne Denis

Flowers:

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Sue Robertson in loving memory of Sue's late husband John.

