St. Faith's Anglican Church

A Place of Art and Soul

10:00 am Sunday, November 8, 2026

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost | Remembrance Sunday

"Parable of the Ten Virgins," Lilibeth Kindle (Betha Bach), coffee on watercolour paper, 2016.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT*

One: In this time and place, we gather on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh nations.

Many: From many places and peoples, we come to this house of prayer.

THE GREETING*

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

Many: And also with you.

OPENING HYMN* GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH CP#565

KYRIE CONFESSION* COMMON WORSHIP

One: Let us confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world; its pride, its selfishness, its greed; its evil divisions and hatreds. Let us confess our share in what is wrong, and our failure to seek and establish that peace which God wills for us.

One: You raise the dead to life in the Spirit: Lord, have mercy.

Many: Lord, have mercy.

One: You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart: Christ, have mercy.

Many: Christ, have mercy.

One: You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided: Lord, have mercy.

Many: Lord, have mercy.

One: May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life. **Many: Amen.**

THE COLLECT*

One: Let us pray.

Many: Eternal God, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING JOSHUA 24:1-3A, 14-25

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of

Israel: Long ago your ancestors Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Many: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM *78:1-7*

Hear my teaching, O my people;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, we will not hide from their children.

We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done.

He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, which he commanded them to teach their children;

That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn; that they in their turn might tell it to their children;

So that they might put their trust in God, and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments; Amen.

SECOND READING **1THESSALONIANS 4:13-18**

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Many: Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN* **LET SAINTS ON EARTH IN CONCERT SING** **CP#282**

THE GOSPEL* **MATTHEW 25:1-13**

One: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

Many: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

One: The Gospel of Christ. **Many: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON *The Rev. Adam Yates*

Following the sermon, we have a moment for silent reflection and prayer.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH* **COMMON WORSHIP**

Many: **We believe in God the Creator, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

We believe in God the Redeemer, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with the divine love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENCE *The Last Post*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please stand, sit, or kneel as is your custom for prayer.

THE PEACE

One: May the peace of God be always with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY HYMN THOU, WHO AT THY FIRST EUCHARIST **CP#57**

Donations can be made by placing it in the offertory plate or online at stfaiths.ca/give

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS*

One: Let us pray.

Many: **Gracious God, your word to us is food indeed. Receive all we offer you this day, and let your loving-kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your living Word. Amen.**

COMMUNION* **BAS PRAYER 1**

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The celebrant continues, until…

One: Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of

your name:

We sing together from the hymnal, #732…

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The celebrant continues, until…

One: Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The celebrant continues, until…

One: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

Many: **Amen.**

One: As Christ teaches us, we pray:

We sing together from the hymnal #744…

Many: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours. Now and forever. Amen**

THE FRACTION*

One: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Many: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

One: Behold what you are.

Many: **May we become what we receive.**

COMMUNION

All who are drawn by Christ are welcome at this table. Gluten-free wafers available on request.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION*

One: Let us pray.

Many: **Living God, in the eucharist you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, and bring us to the joy you promise. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Many: **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.**

BLESSING* **COMMON WORSHIP**

One: May God give you comfort and peace, light and joy, in this world and the next; and may the blessings of God+ our Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life be with you always.

Many: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN OUR WARS AND TUMULTS NOW MUST CEASE SNC#55

DISMISSAL*

One: Go forth into the world, rejoicing with all the saints!

Many: Thanks be to God.

THE WORSHIP IS OVER. THE SERVICE BEGINS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP – NOVEMBER 22

Get ready for Advent by learning about this season of preparation as you make your very own Advent wreath on a rustic slice of wood. Registration is $20 and includes all the materials needed to create and decorate your own Advent centrepiece to use in your home as you count down the weeks until Christmas. This family-friendly event is suitable for children, youth, and adults alike and is a great activity for all ages. Register on our website today.

CHRISTMAS FAIR – NOVEMBER 21, 11AM-2PM

It's time again for the St. Faith's Christmas Sale! This event is open to the whole community and great opportunity to pick up some truly amazing and delicious homemade cookies, pies, Christmas cakes, our famous St. Faith's Mincemeat, handmade cabbage rolls, and a variety of homemade jams, jellies, and pickles (see below). We also have a lovely selection of second hand treasurers that will be perfect for your home or make a thoughtful and environmentally friendly gift—reusing and repurposing is the chic and hip thing to do and helps us all tread more lightly on our earth home. In addition, the Pumpkin Seed Quilters will have a quilt show in the Sanctuary with a beautiful selection of handmade quilts for sale.

ILLUMINATE GALA – NOVEMBER 27

It is that time of year as we come around to the annual Illuminate Gala! Join us on November 27 for an unforgettable evening with live performances, food, and a silent auction as we celebrate the coming of the light. Get your tickets today and be sure to invite your friends—you won't want to miss it!

This Week at St. Faith's

Wednesday, November 11	Office Closed – Remembrance Day
Thursday, November 12	11am Sanctuary Circle
Friday, November 13	6pm Youth Group
Sunday, November 15	**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
	8am Holy Eucharist, BCP
	10am Holy Eucharist
	1pm St. Hildegard's Sanctuary

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