



the Parish of St. Dunstan

on the traditional lands of the Sto:lo Nation

Rev. Paul Guiton

September 15, 2024

Season of Creation



Welcome!

This is a diverse and safe congregation for people wherever they are on their journey with Christ. We are an inclusive church which means we celebrate women in leadership, children at the Eucharist and welcome 2SLGBTQ+ people to participate fully in the life of the community.

This morning in worship...

Gathering the Community

Part of the Family, *James Manley*
the Collect for the Day

Proclaiming the Word

The Book of Proverbs (1:20-33)

Canticle: Wisdom of Solomon 7:26-8:1

The Letter of James (3:1-12)

God is Calling, *Mary Louise Bringle*

the Gospel according to Mark (8:27-38)

the Sermon and the Creed

the Prayers of the People and Confession

the Peace and the Offering

Touch the Earth Lightly, *Shirley E. Murray*

Holy Communion

In God Alone, 563

We Who Live by Sound and Symbol, 69

O, A Song Must Rise, *P. Svenson & B. Nixon*

Sending the Community

the Blessing

You Call Us Lord to Be, 450

For Children

The children's table is open. If you are interested in helping grow this ministry, talk to the office. All our volunteers and staff require a criminal record check.



Taking Communion

Everyone is welcome to receive bread and wine (or juice) at communion. There are gluten-free wafers for those who need them. Prayers for healing with anointing are offered beneath the cross.

Coffee Hour

Please join together for coffee and refreshment following the service.

Stewardship

We are so grateful for your ongoing financial support.

Financial Update to Jul31/24

Summary of Results:

Givings	\$138,458
Expenditures	<u>\$149329</u>
Shortfall	\$(10,871)

We offer a variety of ways to give financially to the parish including

offering envelopes,

Pre-authorized Debit (PAD),

CanadaHelps via the website,

or **e-transfers** at

st.dunstans@telus.net.

Next Sunday...

Season of Creation - Bring your own mug - 10:00 am

Coffee/Tea in the Gathering Space at 9:30 am

The Reverend **Paul Guiton** is preaching and presiding

Readings: Proverbs 31:10-31; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

Upcoming Services...

Morning Prayer-Truth & Reconciliation-Rev. Linda Varin-Sunday, Sept. 29 at 10:00 am

Pentecost 20-Rev. Allan Carson-Sunday, October 6 at 10:00 am

Harvest Thanksgiving-Rev. Allan Carson-Sunday, October 13 at 10:00 am

Pentecost 22-Rev. Allan Carson-Sunday, October 22 at 10:00 am

Pentecost 23-Rev. April Stanely-Sunday, October 27 at 10:00 am

New Rector...

We have exciting news to report! In case you missed the announcement a few weeks ago, Clarence Li will be starting as our new rector on November 1. Clarence has been in ordained ministry for 22 years. For the last 5 years, he has led a non-profit in Gibsons BC which supports people with developmental disabilities. Clarence and his spouse Dave are excited to find a new home in our community!



Today's Scripture

From *Introductions to the Lessons* by Bill Bennett.

Proverbs 1

Proverbs is one of the Wisdom books of the Old Testament. God is the supreme source of Wisdom. Wisdom, in essence, is about the life-style choices we make in daily life.

James 3

The writer warns against the dangers of idle destructive gossip in the Christian community.

Mark 8

This reading is about Peter's confession of Jesus' Messiah-ship and Jesus' response of how costly that role will be.

Weekly Devotions

Follow the Daily Office Lectionary in the Book of Alternative Services for your devotions beginning on page 47 or 66. If you do not have a Book of Alternative Services, ask the minister and they will gift you one.

Opening Prayer *Pray responsory 4 on page 103.*

Readings

Monday Job 40:1-24, Acts 15:36-16:5, John 11:55-12:8

Tuesday Job 40:1, 41:1-11, Acts 16:6-15, John 12:9-19

Wednesday Job 42:1-17, Acts 16:16-24, John 12:20-26

Thursday Job 28:1-28, Acts 16:25-40, John 12:27-36a

Friday Esther 1:1-4, 10-19, Acts 17:1-15, John 12:36b-43

Saturday Esther 2:5-8, 15-23, Acts 17:16-34, John 12:44-50

Prayer *Litany 9 or 10 on pages 117 and 118.*

Prayer of the Day *Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer



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