

Creation 1 - Ocean Sunday - 11 Sept 2022



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Opening Hymn - MV2

Uyai Mose - Come Everybody

Come everybody, Come and praise your Maker
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Come everybody, Come and praise your Maker
Come now and worship our God!

U-ya-i mo-se ti-na-ma-te Mwa-ri
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U-ya-i mo-se ti-na-ma-te Mwa-ri
U-ya-i mo-se zvi-no!

Land Acknowledgement

We gather here mindful of the many who, for millennia, have called this valley home or depended on its trails for safe passage.

We know this community as Fernie; it is also the unceded territory of the Ktunaxa people and Métis Nation.

We strive for reconciliation with our Indigenous siblings, and pray that the Creator will guide our way.

Candle Lighting

We light this single candle to remind us

that even though things are not yet as we'd like them to be, we continue to wait...somewhat patiently, and join together in person and online, dreaming, hoping, wishing for that day when we will gather again,
not necessarily as we wish, yet as we are able.

Call to Worship

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

And also with you. AMEN

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord. AMEN

Confession

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness

Silence is kept

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

AMEN.

Absolution

Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The Collect of the Day

God of restless fire and urgent river's flow:
unsettle the false peace which hides our divisions;
unfold our hearts to sense your presence;
unloose your kingdom and make us one in Jesus Christ,
the first of many brothers and sisters. **AMEN**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009), alt.

Reader: John T. Shannon

Reading: Job 38.1-18

The Lord Answers Job

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:
'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

'Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb?—
when I made the clouds its garment,
and thick darkness its swaddling band,
and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,
and said, "Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped"?

'Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
and caused the dawn to know its place,
so that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
and the wicked be shaken out of it?
It is changed like clay under the seal,
and it is dyed like a garment.
Light is withheld from the wicked,
and their uplifted arm is broken.

'Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
or walked in the recesses of the deep?
Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
Declare, if you know all this.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God

Sermon: The Reverend Canon Andrea L. Brennan
"Gird Up Your Loins!"

Our Creed

We are not alone,

We live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

We Responding in Giving and Gratitude

Our Church Tithes and Offerings

If you wish to make a donation to support our ministry
please send a cheque or e-transfer to:

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Box 1808, Fernie, BC VoB 1Mo
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Christ Church Anglican
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Hymn of Praise – CP414 v. 1,2 - God of the Sparrow

God of the sparrow
God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise?

God of the earthquake
God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save?

Prayers of the People - Don Artley

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Linda, our Primate; for Lynne, our Archbishop; for Andrea, our Regional Dean;

For Carmen, our Moderator; Deborah, our Regional President,

for Treena, our Executive Minister, for Kathy, our Regional Minister.

For the Anglican Church of Canada, for the Diocese of Kootenay,

for the East Kootenay Region

For the United Church of Canada, for the Pacific Mountain Region,

For all who serve God in the Church.

For our own needs and those of others.

Hear us, Lord. For your mercy is great.

For all those who struggle with the ongoing Pandemic,

For all those who are waiting on booster shoots,

For those who are uncertain whether or not to vaccinate,

Hear us, Lord. For your mercy is great.

For all those who are suffering in Ukraine and Russia

For all those who are casualties of war in Afghanistan, Eritrea, Ethiopia

Ethiopia, Myanmar, Syria and around the world.

For those who are uncertain whether peace will ever be known.

Hear us, Lord. For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence is kept

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our king;
And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence is kept

The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Gracious God,
you have heard the prayers of your faithful people;
you know our needs before we ask,
and our ignorance in asking.
Grant our requests as may be best for us.
This we ask in the name of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Prayer Over the Gifts

God of mercy and grace,
**the eyes of all wait upon you,
and you open your hand in blessing.
Fill us with good things at your table,
so that we may come to the help of all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. AMEN**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

Hymn of Thanksgiving - CP259 v. 1, 3 - For the Fruit of All Creation

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God;
for the gifts of every nation, thanks be to God;
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Paraphrase of The Lord's Prayer

Eternal Spirit,
**Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be.**

**Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name
echoes through the universe!
The way of your justice
be followed by peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another,
forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. AMEN**

Doxology

Glory to God
**All 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**

Extinguishing our Candles

As we move from this time of community and communion
**we hold in our prayers those who are with us in person,
on screen and in our hearts,**
knowing that one day, we know not what day,
**we will be together again, not necessarily as we wish,
but as we are able. AMEN**

Sending Prayer

May the God of hope fill us with all
joy and peace in believing
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

AMEN

Sending Song - CP418 v. 1, 7 - Draw the Circle Wide

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone.
Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide...

God the still-point of the circle, Round you all creation turns
Nothing lost but held forever in God's gracious arms

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone.
Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Let the dreams we dream be larger, than we've ever dreamed before
Let the dream of Christ be in us, Open every door!

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone.
Standing side by side, draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

Upcoming this week...

Monday 12 September – Administration and Worship Prep
2:00 pm - COVID interviews project

Tuesday 13 September – Fernie Knox United Office Hours
1:00 pm - Memorial Service for Darryl Gillis at Cherished Memories

Wednesday 14 September
– 10:00 am Worship at Christ Church Anglican
Office Hours
6:30 pm - Pastoral Call in Fernie

Thursday 15 September – Worship and Homiletic Prep
Noon - BARDS by Zoom

Friday 16 September – 10:00 am planning meeting for Archbishop's Visit

Saturday 17 September – 1:00 pm Memorial Service for Ron Zimmer at
Tech Hall in Elkford
Catch up and Sermon Writing

NEXT WORSHIP – 18 September - Creation 2 – Blended Worship

10:00 am Worship – Broadcasting from Fernie Knox United Church

1:30 pm - Worship at Rocky Mountain Village

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