

Service: BAS Eucharist
Eucharistic Assistants: Gil & Daphne Pritchett
Greeters: Daisy Mesher & Gloria Hynes
Musicians: Joyful Noise
Readings: Isaiah 53.4-12, Psalm 91.9-16
 Hebrews 5.1-10, Mark 10.35-45



The Parish: Thank God for the establishment of St. Barnabas Harvest Ministries. Pray for the work in Old Shop, that God will give clear direction and discernment. Pray that other areas of the Province will be opened up and made eager to receive the saving message of the Gospel. Pray for financial blessings, that we will be able to meet all our financial obligations.

Diocesan Synod: Pray for the preparations leading up to Synod. Pray for St. Matthew's, Abbotsford, as they host Synod. Pray for the Synod deliberations, particularly around the issue of changing the present structure from one to three dioceses.

Celebration of Hope: November 2-4 Pray that God will use this occasion to bring many to Christ. Pray for those from our parish who will act as spiritual advisors during the event.

Our Sister Congregation of the Good Samaritan: Pray for Darrell+, Rector and Archdeacon, as well as all who give leadership in that congregation. Pray for them as they prepare for their next Mission trip to Guatemala.

The Parish of All Saints, Bonavista and the Rev. Shaun O'Connor

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Rita & Herman Russell

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Robert Batten
Nina Brown O'Brien
Ruth Stanley
Selby Mesher

Musicians
Maurice & Marion Victory

THE MARTYR'S CROWN



Pentecost 22

PARISH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR

Anglican Network in Canada

Sunday, October 21st, 2018



Peoples' worship is disrupted when cell phones ring. As a gift to each other, we turn *off our* cell phone ringers during worship



Dear Friends,

Welcome to worship! If you visiting with us, please accept the hospitality of our congregation. If

you are looking for a church home, we would love you to consider joining us; a visitor information form is at the back of this bulletin.

In recent months, we have established an outreach ministry called, St. Barnabas Harvest Ministries. Our mission is to reach our Province for Christ by bringing the gospel message to communities where we are invited. Presently, St. Barnabas Harvest Ministries is working with a group of individuals in Old Shop, Trinity Bay, to possibly establish an ANiC project. (An ANiC project is a group of individuals, from another area, who are praying and worshipping together under the pastoral care of an ANiC parish. When an ANiC project matures financially and acquires its own pastor, it moves to the status of a ANiC church plant and, eventually, to that of a parish.) Since the month of August, St. Barnabas Harvest Ministries has assisted in three services of Prayer and Praise in Old Shop. This morning at 10:30, several people from our parish joined Gloria and me for a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, the first held in Old Shop under the ANiC banner. It is our hope, at least in the short term, to travel to Old Shop twice a month to hold services, Friday night and Sunday morning. The Sunday morning service will always be Holy Eucharist.

It is vitally important that we keep Old Shop and St. Barnabas Harvest Ministries in our prayers. Pray for Bev and Rick Hayward, as well as Joyce Bryant, who are 'on the ground' in Old Shop providing leadership. Pray also for the St. Barnabas Outreach Ministries prayer and planning team. They comprise those individuals who have been praying with me at the parish office every Tuesday since April 11th, 2017; namely, Lois and Wayne Drover, Gloria Hynes, Hilda Lambert, Bruce and Renee Noseworthy, Linda Ploughman, Herman and Rita Russell.

Some of you have express concern that the Old Shop services are not open to the whole congregation but limited to the prayer and planning team. This is because the worship takes place in Bev. and Rick Hayward's home and the space is very limited. Truth is, presently, not even the entire team is going every time. However, it is not my wish that anyone feel excluded. If you would like to go, please speak to me and arrangements can be made.

Finally, last Sunday I attended morning worship at Harold Andrews' congregation. The guest speak was an anointed preacher with a prophetic gifting. He prayed over me as the spiritual leader of this congregation. The import of what he spoke was that God was about to release a fresh outpouring of His Spirit upon us as we listen to His Word and begin to minister in the spirituals gifts that He has given each one of us. I praise God for this word, and pray for the day when we will see it fully realized.

May God bless us as we worship together this afternoon!

Howard+



A CHANGE IN PROCEDURE: Concern has been expressed to the Parish Council regarding the reading of names during the Prayers of the People at our Sunday worship. In recent years, privacy laws have been made more stringent in Canada. It is considered a breach of privacy when, without their permission, people are identified by full name during our prayer time. After discussing the matter, the Council has requested that the book with names for the sick no longer be used at our worship. Instead, members of the congregation are encouraged to say the **FIRST NAME ONLY** of those they wish to pray for at the appropriate time during the intercessions. Information may also be added to assist in how to pray for the individual. For example, "We pray for John who is battling cancer." Or, "I'd like to pray for Sally who is mourning the death of her mother." If someone contacts the parish office with a prayer request in which permission has been clearly given, we

will continue to forward such a request by email to the members of our congregation. However, these names should not be forwarded to other people outside the parish. This change is procedure will take effect on the first Sunday in November. We would like to thank Ruby Chapman who, for many years, has been faithfully overseeing the ministry of intercession for the sick during worship and keeping these prayer needs before the congregation during the week. This has been an invaluable ministry. We are sorry that caution requires us to change the way we do things.

UPCOMING 10TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS:

Mens' Breakfast: Saturday, November 17th at the Victory Christian Centre at 10 am

Gospel Sing and Craft&Bake Sale at Victory Christian Centre on Friday, December 7th at 7 pm.

If you are intending to be at either of the breakfasts, please let Lois know, as we will need to know numbers for food preparation.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Parish Council met last Thursday afternoon for its regular monthly meeting. Peoples' Warden, Hayward Keats, reported that the parish By-Laws are just about ready to be circulated among the congregation. Look for it in the very near future. At that time, Hayward will instruct us on the next step as we move toward ratification. Should you wish a copy of the Parish Council Minutes of September 20, they are now available from the parish office.

DIOCESAN SYNOD: Our Diocesan Synod meets in Abbotsford, British Columbia, from November 7 - 9. Gil Pritchett and Howard+ hope to attend. Accommodation, travel and registration are supposed to be provided by the parish. However, we are not in a financial position to cover these costs or even to assist in covering them. If anyone has travel points they can donate, or would like to make a financial contribution toward defraying the cost of Synod, it would be most welcomed.

CHURCH RENT: Our rent is \$100 per use for the Victory building. If you would like to contribute you can add it to your regular contribution by naming Rent and Amount on front of your envelope.9