

You call us to invest in your future, to trust your promises to restore the land, and to deliver those who love you.

Sometimes we find it hard to trust you, O God. Forgive us. Lessen our fears with your spirit of power, love, and strength. Renew us, and light our way....Hear our prayer.

*(God's Assurance and of Grace)*

Hymn "On Eagle's Wings" *(today's reading Psalm 91)* Insert

Reflection

Closing Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" VU 220

### We Are Sent Out

Commissioning

All: "We go forth now, renewed for service,  
restored for the lives we lead,  
rejoicing in the faith that is ours. Thanks be to God!"

Congregational Response *(Cliff Barrows)*

All: "May God's blessing surround you each day,  
as you trust God and walk in his way.  
May God's presence within  
guard and keep you from sin;  
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love;  
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love."

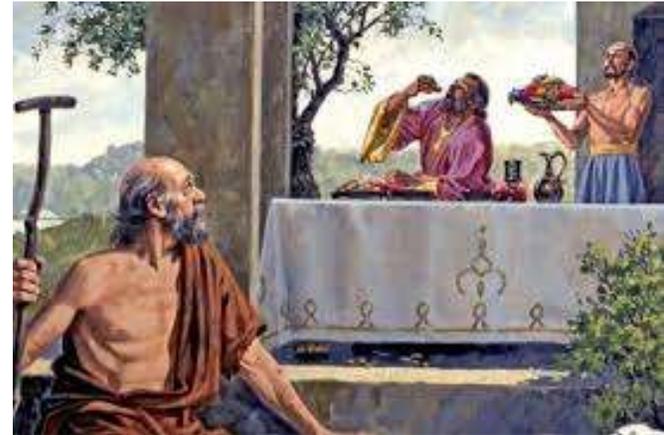
Blessing

Three-fold Amen.

Postlude

Steveston United Church  
Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 10:00 am  
Rev. Brenda Miller

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



### We Gather as God's People

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Lighting the Christ Candle and the Candle for Peace

All: "Let the Light of Christ fill this space. Amen"

We Welcome One Another in the Name of the Risen Christ

*(please stand if comfortable)*

One: Living God, you are the source of our security;

All: in the midst of our troubles, you are with us.

One: Living God, you are the source of our strength;

All: when uncertainty and weakness finds us, you will build us up.

One: Living God, you are the source of our faith;

All: in Jesus Christ you have given us the sign.

We come to worship.

### Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: Rejoice and be glad! God has given us new life.

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Opening Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" VU 333

Opening Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (please be seated)

All: "Beloved Creator, we are called by you and chosen by you to be yours. Living in a world in which the poor become rich, the hungry are satisfied, and those who mourn will laugh because of the incredible hope we have in you. We praise you. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer refrain VU 391  
(please remain seated)

All: "God, reveal your presence: as we now adore you and with awe appear before you.  
Here in this your temple: all within keep silence, gather now with deepest reverence.  
You alone God we own, you, our God and Saviour: praise your name for ever."

### Special Music

### Offering Invitation

Offering Refrain (please stand if comfortable) VU 541

All: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God all creatures high and low;  
give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit; One. Amen."

### Offering Prayer of Dedication

All: "Merciful and gracious God,  
we give you thanks for the gifts of life.  
We offer our gifts in return  
as a sign of our faithfulness  
and a promise to serve only you.  
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen."

### Special Music

#### We Hear God's Word

Hebrew Scripture Jeremiah 32:42-44 p. 644 pew Bible

Christian Scripture Luke 16:19-31 p. 851,852 pew Bible

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Congregational Response

VU 37

All: "Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!"

### Invitation to Confession

Our Prayer:

All: "Creator of heaven and earth,  
you have given us Moses, the prophets,  
and Jesus to teach us your way,  
and show us how you would like us to live.  
And yet we are confused, resistant and fearful.  
You call us to recognize our neighbours in need and  
to care for them, but we sometimes ignore them.

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