

Anglican Christian Witness on Victoria's Westshore

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Together in Christ we seek to love God and to love and serve all others

The Right Rev Dr. Logan McMenamie, Bishop The Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover, Rector The Rev Paul Schumacher, Deacon

February 25 2018

2nd SUNDAY IN LENT

LITURGY OF THE ISLANDS



Sunday Services are at 8:30 a.m. (Traditional Rite) 10:00 a.m. (Contemporary)

Office Hours are Monday through Thursday from 9:00-Noon Celtic Eucharist and Gospel Discussion Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

If you are a newcomer, please identify yourself to the Sidespersons or priest so we can welcome you and tell you about our church.

We recognize that we worship on the traditional lands of Coast Salish peoples. We commit ourselves to continue with our First Nations neighbours on the journey of healing, truth and reconciliation.

> Reverend Sandra Hounsell-Drover presides Reverend Paul Schumacher preaches.

> > 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer, p. 67

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 p. 354 Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38

Administrator

Flizabeth Bennett Elizabeth Bennett

Sheila Bull

Paul Schumacher

Bill Bull

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist **ISLAND LITURGY**

Liturgical Assistant is Mike Armstrong Crucifer is Maggie Weatherell Sidespeople are Lydia French & Joan Hoffman

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

Leader: As we meet together, we begin by remembering the people of the Coast Salish people, on whose traditional land we now gather in gratitude. We acknowledge their story and their stewardship of the land and water, the plants and animals, through the many generations. As we meet together, we remember those who have called this place their home in recent years—the community of faith known as Church of the Advent, whose joyful spirit embraces us. Now let us greet one another with words and signs of welcome.

Sentence of the Day: I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Opening Hymn: CP 347 The God of Abraham Praise

Gathering

In this time and place we are not alone for we meet in the presence of the living God.

For we meet in the presence of the living God.

In this time and place we are not alone for the risen Jesus stands in our midst.

The risen Jesus stands in our midst.

In this time and space, we are not alone for the wind of the spirit moves in and through us.

The wind of the spirit moves in and through us.

In this time and in this space, we are not alone, for we gather with the whole company of heaven. In this time and in this space, heaven and earth are one.

In this time and in this space, heaven and earth are one.

In this time and place together, one people in Jesus Christ.

In the name of God, Creator, Saviour and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lenten Kyrie Eleison:

Parish Choir

by Ray Makeever

<u>Centering Stillness:</u> Let us hold this moment open to the Spirit of God. (*SILENCE*)

Collect of the Day: Faithful God,

may we set our minds and wills to yours, and take up our cross, following Christ with confidence for the glory you reveal in him; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

Chat at the Chancel:

Kum Ba Yah

Kum ba yah, my Lord, Kum ba yah,

Kum ba yah, my Lord, Kum ba yah.

Kum ba yah, my Lord, Kum ba yah!

O Lord, - Kum ba yah!

Someone's crying, Lord, Kum ba yah...

Someone's praying, Lord, Kum ba yah...

First Reading: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

<u>Psalm</u> 22:23-31 Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25 Jose Perena Pratt p. 728

Carolyn Hamar

Gospel Hymn: CP 179 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

Vss 1 & 2 before the Gospel Vss 4, 5, & 6c (2nd Sunday verse) following the Gospel

Gospel: Mark 8:31-38 Rev. Paul Schumacher

The Sermon

Rev. Paul Schumacher

Affirming the Christian Narrative:

All: We believe and trust in God the Father Almighty We believe and trust in Jesus Christ, his Son. We believe and trust in the Holy Spirit. We believe and trust in the Three in One. (from Creating Uncommon Worship by Richard Giles)

Prayers of the People:

Sue Hamblin

Confession:

Let us be honest as we stand before our God, and bring our confessions for forgiveness and hope. *Silence*

Wondrous God, we confess that we have not listened for your Word as we should. We confess that we have placed obstacles in the way of our neighbors. We are guilty of being proud and arrogant. Forgive us for our foolish and hateful ways. Forgive us for taking your amazing gift of grace for granted. Redirect us, by your Spirit, that we may be your faithful people once again.

Absolution:

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of His Kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace:

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

Offertory Hymn: CP 610 Before I Take the Body of My Lord

Prayer over the Gifts:

God of wisdom,

may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name. Amen

Eucharistic Prayer

May God be with you.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts and minds.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God the Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right indeed that we should praise you, God of love, our source and our fulfillment, for you create all things and in you we live and move and have our being. Your wonder is manifest in land and sea and sky. When the times at last grown full and the earth had ripened in abundance, you made us in your image for yourself. And even though we turn from you, again and again you call us to yourself, and in every age, promise liberation. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own to rear them in your way of compassionate love. From your own being you sent Jesus among us, incarnate of the Holy Spirit and born of Mary our sister. Jesus revealed your care for all you have made and showed us your way of reconciliation. Looking forward to the joy of new life Jesus suffered the pangs of the cross and in rising again became the first-born of the renewed family.

You sent your Holy Spirit and gave birth to us your church. Your Spirit says to nurture and to guide us. Now we join around your table, and with all creation we sing praise for your unending love,

Holy, Holy, Holy CP 689

David Hurd

To you indeed be glory, almighty God, because on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread, when he had given you thanks,

he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you: do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: This cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for you; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

And so in this great sacrament we celebrate and proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come in glory.

Therefore, loving God, recalling now Christ's death and resurrection, we ask you to accept this our sacrifice of praise. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration, that we may be fed with the body and blood of your Son and be filled with your life and goodness. Strengthen us to do your work, and to be your body in the world. Unite us in Christ and give us your peace. Through your Holy Spirit, burning as a flame, gentle as a dove, may we who receive these gifts live lives of justice, love and prayer, and be a voice for those who are not heard. In union with your whole creation, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise.

Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and forever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Spoken

Breaking of the Bread

The hunger of the world is satisfied in this bread.

May we feed this bread to all who hunger.

The thirst of all humanity is quenched in this wine.

May we satisfy this yearning in us and others.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

The Communion:

Communion Distributors: Sheila & Lorne Dearsley & Kerry Blain

<u>During Communion The Parish Choir sings</u>: Create in Me by Bob Hurd

Prayer after Communion:

Creator of heaven and earth,

we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Doxology:

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:

You are the body of Christ.

May you have the heart of Christ, tender for mercy.

May you have the eyes of Christ, to see a world in need.

May you have the feet of Christ, to bring good news.

And may the God of Abraham and Sarah,

the God who sent Jesus to redeem us,

the God whose covenant is eternal,

bless you and make you fruitful. Amen.

Shared Ministry

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Commissioning Hymn: CP 537 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Commissioning: (please turn towards the Narthex doors)

Deacon: The step of discipleship requires commitment and faith. Go now in peace, bringing the good news of Jesus' love to all people. Do not be afraid. God is with you.

We go in peace to love and serve all of God's creation. AMEN.

Please join us today for coffee, tea, or juice after the service.

TODAY WE PRAY

PRAY for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America The Most Revd Sturdie Downs Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Nicaragua. For Fred our Primate, John our Metropolitan, Logan our Bishop, Sandra our Rector, and Paul our Deacon.

S. Luke, Victoria - Daniel Fournier & Don Walls
Diocese of Caledonia.

In the Selkirk Region for St. David-by-the Sea (Cordova Bay).

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED US TO PRAY FOR THEM

Joan, Val, Maureen, Brad and Tytti, Brenda, Alan, Dave, Jack, Jane, Peter & Beverly, Allen & Loraine, Marie, Faye, Peg, Steven & Brenda.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY

We pray for all who are gathered here today.

May God bring peace and joy to them and their extended families.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

SHARED MINISTRY

THIS WEEK

Monday Feb. 26 - Lenten Series, Movie night, 6:30 The Red Tent Pt 2 Tuesday, Feb. 27 – What-sew-ever 10:00 – 2:00;

Wednesday, Feb. 28 – Holy Eucharist 10:00; Ladies Community Lunch, Noon – 1:00; Choir 7:30.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday February 28th Community Luncheon Still only \$8:00

MARK YOUR CALENDAR'S!!!! Plan to join us on Friday, March 16 at 7:00 p.m. for a Games Night. Come out to play all sorts of new and exciting Board Games. Many games will be provided but feel free to bring your own to share. There will be 3 people on hand to "teach" how to play certain games so no knowledge needed, just a fun spirit!

<u>A REQUEST FROM YOUR ALTAR GUILD</u> — Good day everyone. We have received new altar linens — THANK YOU. It is that time of year where our lips get chapped and dry and a lot of us use chapstick (of some sort) or lipstick. PLEASE remember, before you go up for communion, to blot your lips. There are lots of tissues around. The wax from the balm and lipsticks are extremely difficult to remove when we do the laundry. Thank you so very much.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>POLICE CHORUS CONCERT MAR 11, 2:00</u>: Tickets available from Jose Perena Pratt or through the office. \$15.00 each. Come out and enjoy a great concert.

Lenten Journey

As we prepare to make our penitential journey to the foot of the Cross on Good Friday we invite you to enter into our Lenten observations.

Each Sunday we will have a different voice expounding on the Word of God.

Mar 4: Rev Sandra Hounsell-Drover

Mar 11: Mr. Grant Croswell, postulant

Mar 18: Canon Trevor Wright

Beginning on the first Sunday of Lent (Feb 18), and then changing weekly on the Sunday there will be a prayer station created in the Worship Space devoted to a theme. You are invited to come and spend quiet, reflective time in the prayer station throughout the week.

On the Monday of each week we will be having "Monday at the Movies" where we will gather here at Church of the Advent to watch a movie loosely based upon the prayer theme for that week. Movie selection to be announced weekly

Our Prayer Themes throughout Lent are:

Mar 4: "I am the Door"

Mar 11: "I am the Good Shepherd"

Mar 18: "I am the Resurrection and the Life"

Holy Week Journey

You are invited to make your Holy Week devotions with us every evening. Each evening we will have a different expression of worship centering on quiet, meditative prayer and praise.

March 25 Palm & Passion Sunday

8:30 & 10:00 a.m. Palm procession & Passion Gospel 7:00 p.m. Labyrinth/worship stations

March 26 Holy Monday

7:00 p.m. "Shadows Around the Cross" Tenebrae

March 27 Holy Tuesday

7:00 p.m. Celtic Healing Eucharist

March 28 Holy Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

March 29 Maundy Thursday

5:30 p.m. Agape Meal*** followed at 7:00 with institution narrative, washing of feet, & Stripping of Altar

March 30 Good Friday

10:00 a.m. Good Friday Observation

Mar 31 Easter Vigil

8:00*** Kindling of New Fire, Liturgy of the Word, Renewal of Baptismal Vows & Eucharist

April 1 Easter Day

8:30 & 10:00 with Baptism

*** - denotes more information to follow

SHROVE TUESDAY UPDATE (Feb. 13)

LUNCH: Almost 100 people enjoyed pancakes & sausages. Many thanks to the members of the Ladies Guild and those who donated baking for the Bake Table. Bake Table proceeds - \$465.00. We were especially pleased to have 35 ladies in the Walking Group this year, which really helped our attendance.

PANCAKE DINNER: About 35 people supported this dinner. Many thanks to Neil & Jim for their dedication in the kitchen.

VALENTINE'S BREAKFAST (Feb. 10): 25 parishioners attended this special Breakfast. Once again we thank Neil & Jim for their cooking expertise.

SAFE CHURCH TRAINING

St. Michael & All Angels' will be hosting a Safe Church Training Course on Saturday, 17th March 9:00 am – 12 noon. If you are interested in taking this course, please contact the church office. Thank you!

A little Lenten Humor:

A little boy came home from Sunday School and went into his room to change his clothes. When he emerged he asked his mother, "Is it true we come from dust?" "Yes dear," replied mother. "Is it true that when we die we go back to the dust?" "Yes dear, that's right." The little boy ran into his room and came out all excited, "Mom, I just looked under my bed and there's someone either coming or going!"

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WE WANT TO KNOW YOU \dots but we need to be able to contact you, so \dots

If you are a newcomer, or if we can help in any way, please let us know. Please fill in the relevant information and give it to a Sidesperson or place it on the collection plate. *Completion of the following information indicates your consent for this parish to gather this information and to use it for reasonable purposes of the church under The Privacy of Information Act.*

NEWCOMER CHANGE OF ADDRESS COURSE INFORMATION
HELP SETUP CONTRIBUTIONS YOUTH CONNECTION

Name	
Address	Postal Code
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We ask congregants to limit the use of fragrances.

THANK YOU!