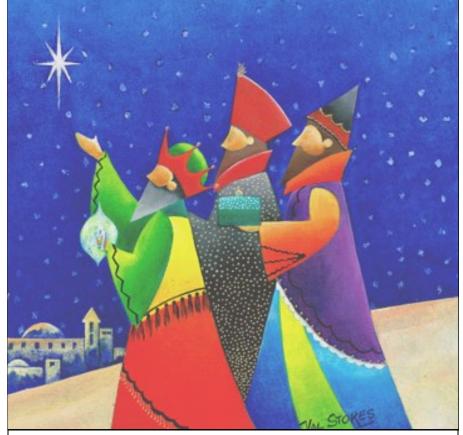


St Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds January 7, 2018 † 10:00 am Family Eucharist

The Epiphany of the Lord



WHO IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev Clarence Li

Musicians: Katherine Hume **Readers**: Janet McIntosh, David Moul

Lay Administrator: Sher Sacks Sacristan: Carol Eades Crucifer: Janet McIntosh Prayers: Maggie Scott Greeter/Usher: Eric Paetkau, Maggie Edwards

Coffee

Worship Set-up: Altar Guild,

Altar Guild: Janet Tufnall, Linda Smith

Altar Flowers:

Worship this Sunday

Happy New Year! This Sunday we shall celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, a special feast day that concludes Christmastide (or the Twelve Days of Christmas). In the Western churches, the Epiphany ('the manifestation') became an occasion to celebrate one element in the story of Christ's birth, the visit of the far-travelled magi, understood as the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. Matthew's account speaks simply of 'wise men from the east'; later tradition fixed their number at three, made them kings, and recalled their resonant names – Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Today we shall follow the ancient tradition of blessing chalk in honour of these three saints for the use of blessing our own homes. May you all have a delightful holiday time filled with light, meaning and re-

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith, you will find a place at our table at St. Hilda's Anglican Church. Come as you are. There are many ways and there is no one particular way to be a part of this vibrant community. Join us today with an open mind, and be prepared to discover a home for your spirit that is inclusive, incarnational, and joyful.

WHO WE ARE

St. Hilda, situated on the unceded traditional territory of the shíshálh First Nation, is a member of the Anglican Church of Canada & the worldwide Anglican Communion. As a community, we welcome & celebrate human diversity - including spirituality, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, & abilities. We aim to create a space where people of any faith or none can question & discover the sacred in life through openness, struggle, laughter & prayer, lived out through a common commitment to be in solidarity with the poor & marginalized, & to cherish creation.

CHILDREN

Children are welcomed to gather for a Children's Commissioning at the beginning of the service and then can go to Sunday School. They return in time for Communion—the Lord's supper (grape juice is available for communing).

HOLY COMMUNION

ALL are welcome to come forward and receive communion, the divine life of Jesus which comes to us in gifts of bread and wine. Come as you are. Instructions for newcomers joining this meal for the first time are printed in the bulletin.

Parking for people with disabilities are available next to the Meditation Labyrinth. You are welcome to bring your walker or wheelchair into the sanctuary. If you have hearing difficulties, please ask one of the greeters for a sound enhancing headset. There are also large print bulletins available in the entry.

▼ The Gathering of Community ▼

Prelude

Introduction & Welcome

All rise as able as the Sanctuary party processes in.

Processional Hymn We Three Kings of Orient Are

We three kings of Orient are; Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

Refrain

O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown him again, King forever, ceasing never over us all to reign. *Refrain*

Frankincense to offer have I; Incense owns a deity nigh; Prayer and praising gladly raising, worship him, God on high. *R*.

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb. *R*.

Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice; "Alleluia, Alleluia!" sounds through the earth and skies. *R*.

Greeting

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Celebrant: Alleluia, the Word was made flesh.

All: And dwelt among us, full of grace and truth. Alleluia!

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open,

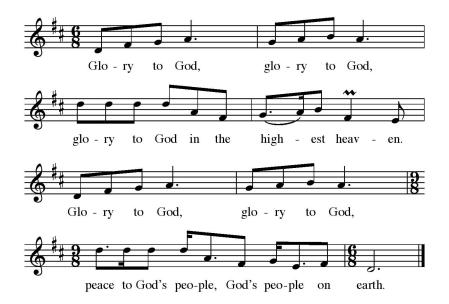
all desires known,

and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you,

and worthily magnify your holy name;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Glory to God Collect of the Day

CelebrantLet us pray.

Almighty and everliving God,,

ALL you revealed the incarnation of your Son by the brilliant shining of a star.

Shine the light of your justice in our hearts and over all lands, and accept our lives as the treasure we offer in your praise and for your service; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Time: The Blessing of Chalk for the Blessing of Home

Children are invited to gather in front of the altar to receive a prayer of commissioning to Sunday School. As the children leave, those sitting on the aisle are invited to form an arch for children to come through as they head out for Sunday School as we sing, Shine Jesus Shine:

Children's Commissioning & Song

Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father's glory;

Blaze, Spirit blaze: set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow: flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth you word, Lord, and let there be light.

■ The Proclamation of the Word of God ■

After each reading, there will be a short time of quiet meditation

¹ Give the king your jus-¹tice, O God, *

and your righteousness to 1the king's son;

² that he may rule your ¹people <u>righteously</u> * and the ¹poor with <u>justice</u>;

3 that the mountains may bring prosperity ¹to the <u>people</u>, * and the little ¹hills bring <u>righteousness</u>.

⁴ He shall defend the needy a-¹mong the <u>people</u>, * rescuing the poor and crushing ¹the op-<u>pressor</u>.

⁵ He shall live as long as the sun and ¹moon endure, * from one generation ¹to a-<u>n</u>other.

⁶ He shall come down like rain up-¹on the mown field, * like showers that wat-¹er the earth.

⁷ In his time shall the 'righteous <u>flourish</u>; * there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall 'be no more.

¹⁰ The rulers of Tarshish and of the isles ¹shall pay <u>tribute</u>, * and the rulers of Arabia and Saba ¹offer gifts.

¹¹ All rulers shall bow ¹down be-<u>fore him</u>, * and all the nations ¹do him <u>service</u>.

¹² For he shall deliver the poor who cries out 'in distress * and the oppressed who 'has no helper.

¹³ He shall have pity on the low-'ly and poor * and shall preserve the lives 'of the needy.

¹⁴ He shall redeem their lives from oppres-¹sion and <u>violence</u>, * and dear shall their blood be ¹in his sight.

Glory to God, Source ¹ of all <u>being</u>,* Eternal Word and ¹ Holy <u>Spirit</u>;

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As it was in the begin- <sup>1</sup>ning is now*
        and shall be for e- 1ver. Amen.
Sectond Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12...... Donna Walsh Wheeldon
       Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
Reader
  ALL
       Thanks be to God.
All rise as able.
Gradual Hymn...... The First Nowell CP139 (vs. 4-5)
     This star drew night to the north-west;
     o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
     and there it did both stop and stay,
     right over the place where Jesus lay.
          Nowell, nowell, nowell,
          born is the King of Israel.
     Then entered in those wise men three,
     full reverently upon their knee,
     and offered there in his presence
     their gold and myrrh and frankincense. Ref.
All remain standing as able
The Gospel Matthew 2:1-12
Celebrant May God be with you
  PEOPLE And also with you
Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
  PEOPLE Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
        After reading
Celebrant The Gospel of Christ
  PEOPLE Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Then let us all with one accord
     sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
     who has made heaven and earth of nought,
     and with his blood salvation bought. Ref
All are seated.
After the sermon, remain seated for a short quiet meditation.
Affirmation of Faith: We Sing of God the Spirit
Celebrant Let us affirm our faith in the life-giving Spirit of God.
     ALL We sing of God the Spirit,
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who from the beginning has swept over the face of creation, Animating all energy and matter and moving in the human heart.

We sing of God the Spirit, faithful and untameable, who is creatively and redemptively active in the world.

The Spirit challenges us to celebrate the holy not only in what is familiar, but also in that which seems foreign. We sing of the Spirit, who speaks our prayers of deepest longing and enfolds our concerns and confessions, transforming us and the world.

We offer worship
as an outpouring of gratitude and awe
and a practice of opening ourselves
to God's still, small voice of comfort,
to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.
Through word, music, art, and sacrament,
in community and in solitude,
God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world.
Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Please stand, sit or kneel according to your praying custom. Names upheld in the prayers can be found on the Parish List on the back page. You are also welcome to name your loved one(s) aloud or silently in your heart.

God in each one of us RESPONSE: Hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us lay down our brokenness before God in the presence of one another.

Most Holy God,

ALL In the midst of this season of new life, we confess:
We have resisted the light of your love;
we have not fully shared the gifts entrusted to us; and
we have not treasured the gifts of others around us.
We stand in need of your love.

Celebrant God forgives you and loves you, and invites you to continue the journey. As a woman is delivered from the pain of her labour to the joy of cradling her child, so are you delivered into God's grace.

PEOPLE Amen.

The Peace Please rise as able as we share the peace of the Lord.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be with you all.

PEOPLE And also with you.

№ The Holy Communion

The Offertory

During the hymn, the bread and wine for the Lord's Supper are presented alongside with the offering of money to symbolize the offering of ourselves and of the whole creation to God in thanksgiving for the many blessings we experienced.

Offertory Hymn......Sing of God Made Manifest CP162

Sing of God made manifest | in a child robust and blest, to whose home in Bethlehem | where a star had guided them, magi came and gifts unbound, | signs mysterious and profound; myrrh and frankincense and gold | grave and God and king foretold.

Sing of God made manifest | when at Jordan John confessed, "I should be baptized by you, | but your biding I will do."
Then from heaven a double sign | dove-like Spirit, voice divine — hailed the true Anointed One: |"This is my beloved Son."

Sing of God made manifest | when Christ came as wedding guest and at Cana gave a sign, | turning water into wine; further still was love revealed | as he taught, forgave, and healed, bringing light and life to all | who would listen to God's call.

Sing of God made manifest | on the cloud-capped mountain's crest, Where both voice and vision waned | until Christ a lone remained; Glimpse of glory, pledge of grace, | given as Jesus set his face towards the waiting cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Gracious God,

ALL accept the offering of your Church the hearts of your people Joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Eucharistic Prayer



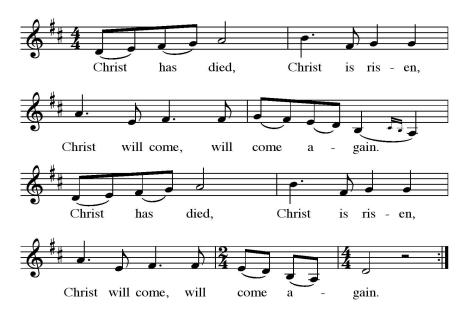
Eucharist means "thanksgiving." This is a ritual meal to re-enact the Last Supper that Jesus shared with his friends to remind them of his sacrificial love for humanity and the whole creation. All stand as able.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE And also with you.

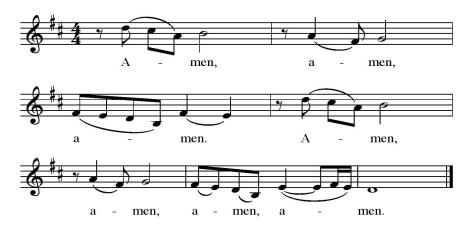
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE We lift them to the Lord.



Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE It is right to give our thanks and praise.



Celebrant Revealing God, you send the light of a star ...

...And so you draw us to the company where your angels gather around your eternal throne, singing their hymn of unending praise:

CelebrantGod of wonder, as the magi brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh,...

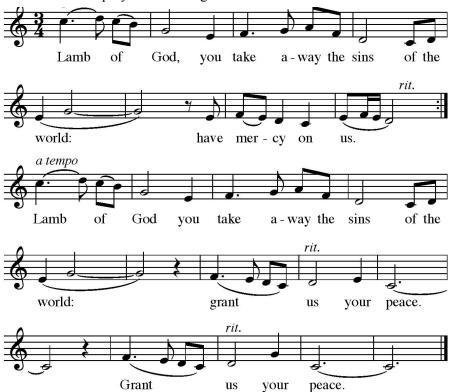
Great is the mystery of faith.

Celebrant God of wisdom, as the magi brought gold...

...All honour and glory are yours, now and forever.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray as Jesus taught us:



Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Mercy and truth have met together;

PEOPLE Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) The Invitation

Receiving Communion

If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to share in the breaking of bread.

If you desire to know the love of God that overcomes indifference and despair, if you desire the reconciliation that overcomes estrangement and alienation, then you are invited to share the cup of the new covenant.

The bread is received in the open palm. It is usual Anglican practice to drink the wine from the common cup. Wine and unfermented grape juice are served. If you would prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer or grape juice, please inform the person administering the bread or wine when they approach you. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, you are welcome to come forward and place your hands across your chest.

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant God of all the nations of the earth,

ALL guide us with your light.

Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us In this eucharist and in our neighbours. May we welcome hime iwht love,

with the second mine with love,

for he is Lord now and for ever. Amen.

Family Thanksgiving & Announcements

All are invited to share if they know of any birthdays, anniversaries or other celebrations.

All stand as able

Celebrant Glory to God,

PEOPLE 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.

Closing Blessing

Celebrant: May God the Father,

who led the wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from lights,

lead you in your pilgrimage to find the Lord.

And the blessing of God:

Life Giver, Pain Bearer, Love Maker

be among you and remain with you always.

Parish Events and Notices

Notice of Special Vestry Meeting: Church Committee is asking all parishioners to make time to attend a Special Vestry Meeting on January 14, 2018 at 11:30 am to decide on a course of remediating the church. There will be a presentation on how we will finance the cost of restoration and an opportunity for questions before votes are taken. The revised motion moved by Church Committee is as follow:

Resolutions of the Vestry of The Sechelt Parish of the Anglican Church

- a. The Sechelt Parish of the Anglican Church (St. Hilda's) proceeds with the rebuilding of the Sanctuary as recommended by the Building Committee at a budgeted cost of \$900,000, with an expected completion by the Summer of 2018, to be paid by a combination of existing parish funds, future donations and short term and long term borrowing. The total of the amount borrowed will not exceed \$500,000.00.
- b. St Hilda's will commence a feasibility study for redevelopment, with partners, of the remainder of its property by the Fall of 2018.
- c. The Vestry requests the Trustees and Church Committee to take all necessary steps and actions to proceed with the foregoing.

Book Study of *Wrongs to Rights*: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays January through March from 3-5pm in the Gathering Rm. Honouring the call of Indigenous peoples from around the world, Canada's Truth & Reconciliation Commission has specifically summoned, not only the State, but all churches to embrace the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. But what is the Declaration? And how might it gift and re-orient Christian faith and practice?

"In *Wrongs to Rights*, over 40 authors from diverse backgrounds - Indigenous and Settler, Christian and Traditional - wrestle with the meaning of the Declaration for the Church. With a firm hold on past and present colonialism, the authors tackle key questions that the Declaration and the TRC's call to "adopt and comply' raises: What are its potential implications? Can it facilitate genuine decolonization, or is "rights talk" another form of imperialism? And what about real life relationships? Can the Declaration be lived out - collectively and personally - on the ground?"

Please RSVP John or Nancy Denham @ 604-885-7373 Cost for book: \$14, copies available to be picked up after church TODAY.

St.Hilda's Choir: Choir rehearsals resume this Thursday January 11.

<u>Library News</u>: The book table in the narthex has been cleared due to the sanctuary construction. Borrowers can still borrow books from the library downstairs. There is the usual return box downstairs and also one in the breezeway. Thanks to Margy for following up on overdues and for all who have returned their overdue books. It is greatly appreciated.

An Epiphany Blessing for Our Homes 20 + G + M + B + 18

This may be written on the lintel above the front door into your home. A piece of blessed chalk from this Mass may be taken home with you for this purpose. Following the writing, this prayer is to be used:

Let us pray.

O holy and everlasting God, we ask you to hear us and send your holy Angel from heaven to guard and cherish, protect and visit, and evermore defend all that dwell in this house. I call upon thy Saints – Gaspard, Melchior, and Balthazar – to protect my Family and my home from every harm and danger, and, I place this mark over my door to remain as a constant reminder to us and all who enter here that my house is truly a house of the Lord.

O God, make the door of my house the gateway to thine Eternal Kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

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Readings for January 14, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17 Gospel: John 1:43-51

Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's						
Sun	07	8:30 am 10:00 am		Parish Hall Parish Hall		
Mon	08	3:00 pm	Monday Musings	Parish Hall		
Tues	09	9:30-11:30 3:00 pm	Library Hours Truth & Reconciliation Book Study	Gathering Rm Gathering Rm		
Wed	10	8:00 am 2:00 pm		Gathering Rm McElroy Home		
Thurs	11	1:30 pm 7:00 pm	Education for Ministry St. Hilda's Choir	St. Bart's Parish Hall		
Fri	12	9:30-11:30	Library Hours	Gathering Rm		
Sat	13	11:30 am	Worship Set-up	Parish Hall		
Sun	14	8:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	Family Eucharist & Sunday School	Parish Hall Parish Hall Parish Hall		

St. Hilda's Mission Principles

At St. Hilda's our aim is to create a sacred space where we can be nourished and nourish others through our practices of Worship, Hospitality, and Justice.

Hospitality: The Lord's Table is the foundation of our understanding of hospitality - a safe place where all are welcome just as they are, broken yet blessed, all seeking food that satisfies. We aim to be an inclusive, sacred space in our community. We support a variety of expression of Spirit where people are committed to listen to each other, honour each other's beliefs and perspectives, and to create a safe environment for healthy, vibrant dialogue with friends and strangers alike.

Worship: As a Christ-centred community, our parish recognizes worship as a means of inspiring connection to the Divine through prayer, contemplation, music, and liturgy, with lay and ordained participation. We offer a variety of worship services to honour the diverse worshiping style of our community. We value community more than an ascribed set of beliefs.

Justice: Our faith informs us that the foundation of our practice of justice is right relationship with all of creation. Jesus calls us to seek out, serve, and learn from those who are marginalized. We seek justice through compassionate listening, extending hospitality to all, advocacy, prayer, and caring for the earth.

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	PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK
Anglican Communnion	The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia The Most Revd Winston Halapua Bishop of Polynesia and Primate and Archbishop of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia Bishop of Taranaki - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia) The Most Revd Philip Richardson
Diocese &	Christ the Redeemer, Surrey - The Rev Grant Rodgers
Partners	Holy Trinity Mission in Bantey (twinned with St. Hilda's) Companion Diocese: Bishop Brent Alawas, & the Clergy & People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines BC Synod of the ELCIC, Bishop Gregory Mohr
Local Agencies	Sechelt Visitor Centre
Parish Ministries	Screening in Faith Subcommittee
UN MDG Project	Kenya: the students of Kyaithani Secondary School
Prayer Requests	Rev. Gord Dominey: healing for cancer K.R.: for physical, emotional, spiritual healing Kira Crawford & family Sharon Doan: pece & comfort while in palliative care Wayne Greggain: for comfort and healing Jenny: ongoing healing from tumor Robert (Annie Webb's brother): healing from cancer Jeanette Schouls: healing of deep depression
Ongoing Need	Geoffrey Dunbrack, Bob & Jane Hammersma, Bill Mitravitz, Rev. Ian Nestegaard Paul, Fran & Ken Redmond, the Walsh family