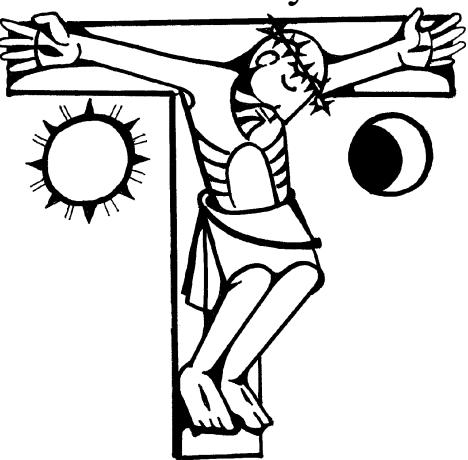


# St Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds March 11, 2018 † 10:00 am Family Eucharist

# Fourth Sunday in Lent



#### WHO IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

**Celebrant:** The Rev Clarence Li **Preacher:** The Ven Bruce Morris

Musicians: Katherine Hume & St. Hilda's Choir

Lay Administrator: Linda Smith Sacristan: Barbara Carver Crucifer: Kevin Rolston

Greeter/Usher: Doug & Veronica Shillitto

Reader: Donna Walsh Wheeldon

Prayers: Maggie Scott

Coffee: Amelia Foster, Liz Miller Altar Guild: Muriel Prior, Linda Smith Worship Set-up: Altar Guild, Julie Stevens,

Corrinne Newman



#### 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, and 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 and prayer, lived out through a common commitment to be in solidarity with the poor & marginalized, and 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.

#### ® ₺ 🤋 ACCESSIBILITY

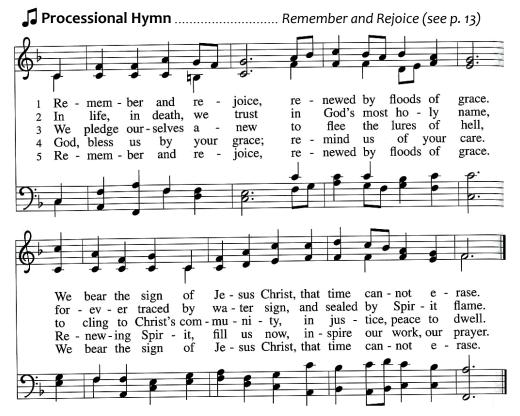
Parking for people with disabilities are available next to the Meditation Labyrinth. You are welcome to bring your walker or wheelchair into the hall. There are also large print bulletins available in the entry.

## **▼** The Gathering of Community **▼**

#### Prelude

#### **Introduction & Welcome**

All rise as able as the Sanctuary party processes in.



#### Greeting

Celebrant Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another as Christ forgave you.

PEOPLE Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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

ALL We confess to you the truth of our broken lives.

We have not trusted your promises or walked in your ways.

We have hoarded and squandered the gifts of your creation.

We have failed to welcome the stranger and the outcast,

And to make room at the table for the homeless and the hungry. We have neither worked to release the oppressed nor admitted our own captivities. Forgive our sin, heal our lives, and set us free that we might live with your whole creation in the justice and joy of your promised future.

Celebrant

God, who is merciful and kind, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, hears the cries of all who plead for mercy and, in these last days, has sent Christ Jesus to announce the good news of forgiveness and release to all who are bound by guilt or broken by shame, that they might praise God and serve the world with glad and generous hearts.

For freedom Christ has set you free.

#### PEOPLE Thanks be to God.



#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God of grace,

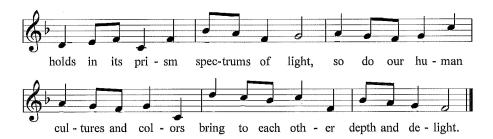
ALL you know our struggle to serve you:
when sin spoils our lives
and overshadows our hearts,
come to our aid and turn us back to you again;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All are seated

#### Children's Commissioning & Song

Children are invited to gather in front of the altar to receive a prayer of commissioning to Sunday School. As they head out for Sunday School, we sing:



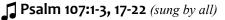


#### ■ The Proclamation of the Word of God ■

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

**The First Reading** Numbers 29:4-9...... Donna Walsh Wheeldon Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.





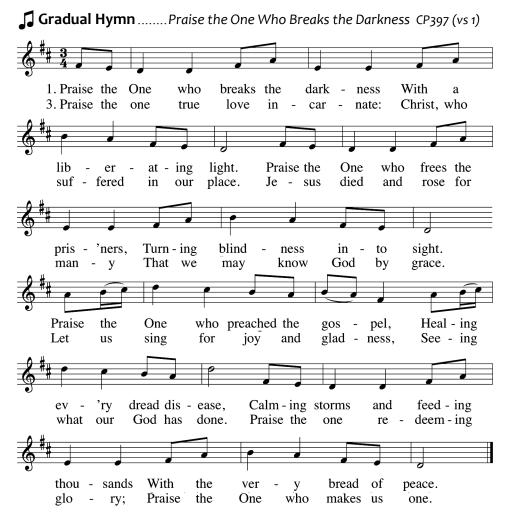
- <sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord ¹who is good, \* and whose mercy en-¹dures for ever.
- <sup>2</sup> Let all those whom the Lord has re-¹deemed proclaim \* that God redeemed them from the hand ¹of the foe.
- <sup>3</sup> The Lord gathered them out <sup>1</sup>of the lands; \* from the east and from the west, from the north and <sup>1</sup>from the south.
- <sup>17</sup> Some were fools and took to re-¹bellious ways; \* they were afflicted because ¹of their sins.
- <sup>18</sup> They abhorred all man-¹ner of food \* and drew near ¹to death's door.
- <sup>19</sup> Then they cried to you, O Lord, ¹in their trouble, \* and you delivered them from ¹their distress.
- <sup>20</sup> You sent forth your ¹word and <u>healed them</u> \* and saved them ¹from the grave.
- <sup>21</sup> Let them give thanks to you, O Lord, ¹for your mercy \* and the wonders you do ¹for your children.
- <sup>2nd</sup> <sup>22</sup> Let them offer a sacrifice ¹of thanks-giving \* and tell of your acts with ¹shouts of joy.
  - Glory to God, Source <sup>1</sup>of all <u>being</u>,\* Eternal Word and <sup>1</sup>Holy <u>Spirit</u>; As it was in the begin- <sup>1</sup>ning is now\*

and shall be for e- 1ver. Amen.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.

All rise as able.



All remain standing as able

The Gospel John 3:14-21

Celebrant May God be with you

PEOPLE And also with you

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

PEOPLE Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After reading

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ

PEOPLE Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Gradual Hymn** ...... Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness (vs. 3) *All are seated.* 

Sermon The Ven Bruce Morris

After the sermon, remain seated for a short quiet meditation.

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

Celebrant Let us affirm our faith with all children of Abraham and Sarah in the words of *Shema*:

ALL Hear, O Israel,

the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,

with all your mind,

and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it:

Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

#### 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 page 19. You are also welcome to name your loved one(s) aloud or silently in your heart.

**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 are presented alongside with the offering of money, given on the plate or through the Pre-Authorized Donation Program (PAD), to symbolize the offering of ourselves and of the whole creation to God in thanksgiving for the many blessings we experience.

**Offertory Hymn** ....... Come and Find the Quiet Center (see p. 13)

#### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Celebrant God of mercy and compassion,

ALL your Word calls us home to faith and love.

Accept all we offer you this day
in the name of Jesus Christ the 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.

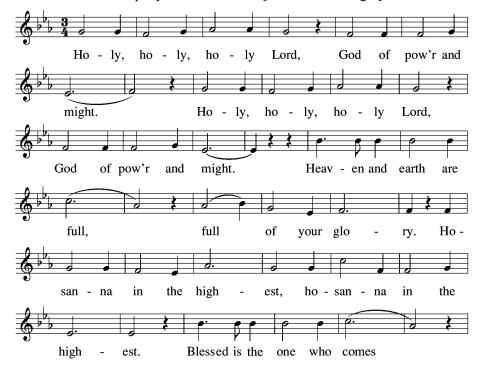
**PEOPLE** We lift them to the Lord.

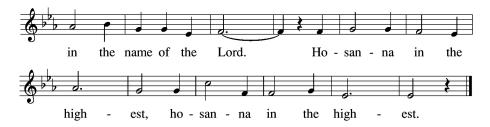
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed be your name, God of Moses, for you so love the world, and all that you so love you created to share life with you ...

...And so we sing your praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven as we join the unending hymn:





Celebrant Redeeming God, who set your Son into the world ...

Great is the mystery of faith.

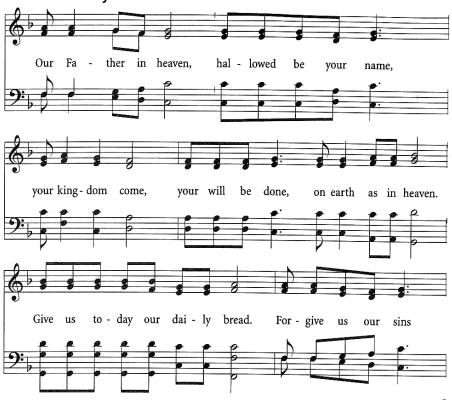
#### PEOPLE Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Celebrant Restoring God, whose Son was lifted up ...

...and together with the saints we drink the wine of your kingdom, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.



#### The Lord's Prayer

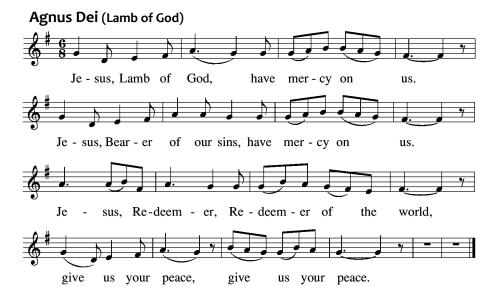




### The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,

PEOPLE Communion in Christ's body once broken.



#### 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.

**Choir Anthem:** Throughout This Winter Season

Words by Bill Wallace. Music: Traditional Tyrolean Melody

#### **Prayer After Communion**

Celebrant Giver of life,

ALL you enlighten all who come into the world.
Fill our hearts with the splendour of your grace, that we may perfectly love you and worthily praise your holy name, through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### **Family Thanksgiving & Announcements**

All are invited to share if they know of any birthdays, anniversaries or other celebrations. We have a parish tradition of saying the following prayer by sharing eye-contact with those around us.

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 Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness;

be of good courage;

hold fast to that which is good;

render to no one evil for evil;

strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;

help the afflicted; honour all people;

love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And the blessing of God:

Life Giver, Pain Bearer, Love Maker

be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

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- What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
   What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
   O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
- 2. Have we trials or temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
- 3. Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Christ the Saviour is our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer. Do our friends despise, forsake us? Are we tempted to despair? Jesus' strength will shield our weakness, and we'll find new courage there.

#### Dismissal

During Lent, Alleluia is omitted.

PEOPLE Thanks be to God.

#### Offertory Hymn: Come and Find the Quiet Center



#### **Parish Events and Notices**

#### WE NEED YOU!

#### Monday March 12, 10:00 am for Redevelopment Visioning Day

This important St. Hilda's meeting will be held tomorrow at Living Faith Lutheran Church (4607 Whittaker Rd, Davis Bay). The new Redevelopment Study Team is asking all St. Hilda's parishioners to come, ready to share your ideas for potential future redevelopment of our property. Please walk, bike, bus, or drive to the meeting. If you need a lift, please call Carol Eades (604-886-9646) or Margy Grant (604-885-7157). Doors will be open at 9:30, and we will start at 10 am. There will be no specific break, so no refreshments, and we promise to finish no later than 1 pm. See you there!

**ACW Meeting:** Please note that the ACW is now meeting on the **second** Wednesday of the month. March's meeting will be this Wednesday March 14 at 10:00 am at Julie Steven's home (6010 Silverstone Lane, Sechelt). All women are welcome to attend the meeting with a light luncheon following.

Returnable Bottles/Cans Fundraiser: A receptacle is in the breezeway for you to drop off your clean pop bottles and cans, juice bottles/boxes, tetra packs, wine, beer, and liquor bottles. All bottles must still have the labels on them. Returnables will be removed weekly and the money raised goes toward the rebuilding. Every little bit helps!!

# <u>Truth & Reconciliation Blanket Exercise</u>: Saturday, March 24 10:00 - 2:00 St John's United Church, Davis Bay

The Churches have been Called into Action by the Truth & Reconciliation. Justice Murray Sinclair; Commissioner for the TRC said, We have described for you a mountain. We have shown you the path to the top. We call upon you to do the climbing. Lutheran Bishop Susan Johnson said, Let us prepare ourselves for the long climb.

Come join us! Bring something for the Potluck Luncheon which is designed to divide the event up and give us time to commune together. Please RSVP Nancy Denham by call or text @ 604-740-6400. More info posted in Breezeway.

<u>Whale of a Sale</u>: Saturday April 28 Please start setting aside items you wish to donate for this sale. Make sure all items are clean and in working order. Look for list of non-acceptable items in the Narthex.

<u>Calling for Outdoor Plants</u> On April 28, the ACW will be having a plant sale. Please start dividing and potting up or starting cuttings of outdoor plants that can be used for this sale. Please pot them up early so on the day they are not wilting in their pots. Also, we need two more people to help out on the day of the sale. Please contact Janet McConnell at 886-2213.

<u>Update on Housing for Coyote and Christine:</u> Our dear friends Terry Aleck and Christine McLellan for a 3-bedroom rental has not been successful. They now turn their hope to purchasing a mobile home so that they don't have to live at the whim of landlords. A friend of them has started a GoFundMe crowdfunding campaign to help them raise the \$35,000 needed for a down payment. You may sup-

port them by going to www.gofundme.com/christine-and-terrys-mobile-home (or simply Google Search 'GoFundMe Christine and Terry'). Some \$2700 was raised in the first few days of the campaign launch. Please continue to hold them in your prayers.

#### **WIDER CHURCH EVENTS**

<u>Community Food Bank Drive</u>: sponsored by Holy Family Catholic Church Saturday March 24, 9 am to 3 pm. Accepting: non-perishable food, canned goods, boxed food and cash donations. Drop off behind Clayton's Heritage Market.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

<u>Homeless Shelter Needs Meals</u>: Meals catered from Monday to Friday, but meals are needed for the weekends. Our budget is quite small and we are lacking in community meals on our "Take Them a Meal" calendar. Please see link below. When on the main page, select Recipient Name: Shelter and the Password: Sechelt. Alternatively, one can call the shelter (604-740-8160) and we can sign them up to the meal calendar. The meals we need are dinners, but can also use sandwiches & soup for lunches (for 20 people). Thank you for all your support! https://takethemameal.com/

<u>Vocal Intent: Songs for a New Day ~ Reprise</u>: Sunday March 18 at 3:00 pm Vocal Intent will remount the Songs for a New Day concert that was presented on January 6 at the Arts Centre ... this time at St. John's United Church, and there will be enough room for all who decide to come and give us a listen! Admission by donation

#### Readings for March 18, 5th Sunday in Lent

Psalm 119:9-16 Gospel: John 12:20-33

# Holy Week & Easter at St. Hilda's

Holy Week is a privileged time when we are called to draw near to Jesus: friendship with him is shown in times of difficulty.

~ Pope Francis

Holy Week is a lifetime in miniature. It goes from celebration to conflict, betrayal, suspense, and then back to a celebration that lasts a lifetime... We all eventually live a Holy Week, whether in terms of the 1st or 21st centuries.

#### PALM SUNDAY, March 25

**8:30 am -** Traditional Eucharist with Liturgy of the Palms **10:00 am -** Procession with Palms and Choral Eucharist

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY, March 29

♦ 5:30 pm — Supper and Liturgy of the New Commandment This service begins with supper & includes a foot washing ceremony rooted in Jesus' New Commandment. It concludes with Eucharist.

Please sign up in the Breezeway

so that we know how much food to prepare.

We are also calling for soup & bread makers!

#### GOOD FRIDAY, March 30

10:00 am - joint service at St. John's United, Davis Bay

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**, April 1

7:00 am –Sunrise Service at Snickett Park Access through Ocean Ave. Please dress for the weather.

10:00 am - Choral Family Eucharist

The liturgy marked with the symbol ★ is adapted from Holy Week Liturgies from the Episcopal House of Prayer, a contemplative journey through Holy Week written by The Rev. Cynthia Bourgeault, Ward Bauman, and Darlene Franz

Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's						
Sun	11	8:30 am 10:00 am		Parish Hall Parish Hall		
Mon	12	10:00 am 3:00 pm		<b>Living Faith</b> Annex		
Tues	13	9:30-11:30 3:00 pm	· · /	Gathering Rm Annex		
Wed	14	8:00 am 10:00 am 2:00 pm	ACW Meeting	Annex J.Stevens Home McElroy Home		
Thurs	15	1:30 pm 7:00 pm	•	St. Bart's Parish Hall		
Fri	16	9:30-11:30	Library Hours	Gathering Rm		
Sat	17	11:30 am	Worship Set-up	Parish Hall		
Sun	18	8:30 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Family Eucharist & Sunday School	Parish Hall Parish Hall Parish Hall		

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# St. Hilda's Restoration Update

The re-construction phase has started!

- building permit dwgs have been submitted.
- footings for in-ground buttress wall are poured
- perimeter drain is in place around existing footings and is connected to original drains
- weather proofing, rain screen and in-ground insulation are being installed.
- concrete forming materials and rebar are on site for foundation walls

Bruce

#### Photo from March 6



	PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK	
St. Hilda's Restoration	Cadia visian & suidance for the radevalanment of Ct. Hilde's	
Anglican Communnion	The Church of England: The Most Revd and Rt Hon Justin Welby Archbishop of Canterbury	
Diocese & 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	Community Justice Programs on Sunshine Coast	
Local Churches	Living Faith Lutheran	
Justice Umbrella	Kenya: students of Kyaithani Cluster Primary Schools	
Prayer Requests	Reto Camenisch: struggling with cancer Carol: comfort at end of life Annabell Dick: upcoming surgery Hildegaard Erber: healing for ear infection Mark: downsized from job and searching for work Pat McSherry: speedy diagnosis & treatment of cancer Robert (Annie Webb's brother): healing from cancer George Thacker (Marg Morris' brother): healing & comfort waiting hospice care Avery Togyi & Family: healing of cancer while at Children's Hospital Family, Friends & Colleagues of Anne Mwania: for grief Nigumbi Kimali:principal Kyaithani School, suffering malaria	
Parish Families	Carol & Ted Eades, Maggie Edwards, Franz & Hildegaard Erber, Amelia Foster, Garry & Roberta Foxall	

Prayer requests are listed for 4 weeks - to extend, please contact the office.

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# 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.