

# Third Sunday in Lent



# WHO IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev Clarence Li Musician: Katherine Hume & St. Hilda's Choir Prayers: Bonnie Paetkau Readers: Stan Barker, Janet McIntosh Lay Admin: Robert Watson Sacristan: Janet McIntosh Crucifer: Valerie Ruhe Greeters/Ushers: David Moul, Morrie Sacks Coffee: Win Wright, Sandra Sneddon Altar Guild: Janet Tufnall, Janet McConnell



#### 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 shishálh 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). A Quiet Room is available for parents with babies and toddlers at the back of the Church.

## 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 people joining this meal for the first time are printed in the bulletin.

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Parking for people with disabilities is 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 hymnals available in the entry.

# **Order of Service**

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# Prelude

# Introduction & Welcome

All rise as able as the Sanctuary party processes in.

Introit sung by choir ...... Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery vs 6d

**442** Processional Hymn......Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

# 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.

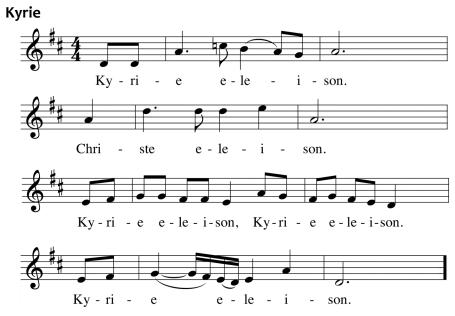
# **Confession and Absolution**

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

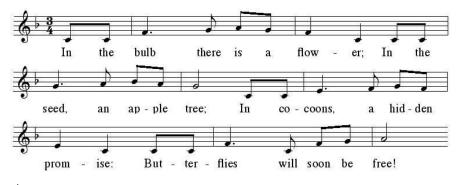
Celebrant Gracious God,

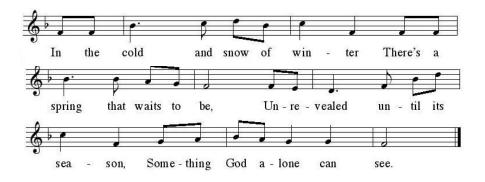
ALL you provide us with living water in abundance for all to share. Nourish us with this abundance, so that we may be streams of living water to those who thirst for you; through Jesus Christ, the rock of our salvation. Amen.

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 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:





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

The First Reading Exodus 17:1-7 (p. 56) ......Stan Barker Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church Reader

All Thanks be to God.





 $\mathbf{H}^{1}$  Come, let us sing 'to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the <sup>1</sup>rock of our salvation.

- <sup>2</sup> Let us come before the presence of the Lord <sup>1</sup>with thanks<u>giving</u> \* and raise a loud <sup>1</sup>shout to God with psalms.
- $L^{3}$  For you, O Lord, <sup>1</sup>are a great God, \*
  - and a great sove-<sup>1</sup>reign above all gods. <sup>4</sup> In your hand are the caverns <sup>1</sup>of the earth, \*
    - and the heights of the hills <sup>1</sup>are yours äl- so.
- **H** <sup>5</sup> The sea is yours, <sup>1</sup> for you made it, \*and your hands have <sup>1</sup>moulded the dry land.
  - <sup>6</sup> Come, let us bow down, and <sup>1</sup>bend the knee, \* and kneel before the <sup>1</sup>Lord our Mä- ker.
- $L^{7}$  For you are our God,
  - and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep 'of your hand. \* Oh, that today we would <sup>1</sup>hearken to your voice!
  - <sup>8</sup> "Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did <sup>1</sup>in the <u>wilderness</u>, \* at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, <sup>1</sup>when they tempted me.

Η	<ul> <li><sup>9</sup> They put me 'to the test, * though 'they had seen my works.</li> <li><sup>10</sup> Forty years long I detested that genera-'tion and said, * 'This people are wayward in their hearts; they 'do not know my ways.'</li> <li><sup>11</sup> So I swore 'in my wrath, * 'They shall not 'enter <u>into</u> my rest.'"</li> </ul>
All	<ul> <li>Glory to God, Source 'of all <u>being</u>,*</li> <li>Eternal Word 'and Holy Spirit;</li> <li>As it was in the begin- 'ning is now*</li> <li>and shall be 'for ever. Amen.</li> </ul>
	Second ReadingRomans 5:1-11 (p. 917)Janet McIntoshReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the churchALLThanks be to God.
	<b>90 SGP Gradual Hymn</b>
	The Gospel         John 4:5-42
	Deacon May God be with you
	PEOPLEAnd also with youDeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to JohnPEOPLEGlory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
	After readingDeaconThe Gospel of ChristPEOPLEPraise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
5	90 SGP Gradual HymnCome, Let Us Sing (vs. 3-4)
	<b>Sermon</b>
	<ul> <li>Affirmation of Faith</li> <li>Celebrant Let us affirm our faith with all children of Abraham in the words of <i>Shema</i>:</li> <li>ALL Hear, O Israel,</li> </ul>

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

Leader: *Hear us, O God.* Response: Your mercy is great.

**The Peace** (*Please stand as able as we share the peace of the Lord*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

We pass the peace of Christ to each other with the words, The Peace of Christ be with you.

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# 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.

# J 615 Offertory Hymn ..... Just As I Am

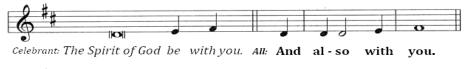
# **Prayer over the Gifts**

Celebrant God of light,

ALL your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory. Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving, through 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: Lift your hearts to heaven All: where Christ in glo-ry reigns.

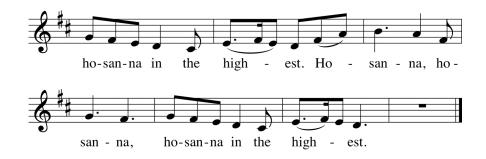


Let us give thanks to God All: It is right to of-fer thanks & praise. Celebrant All praise to you, Eternal God, Architect of the Universe;...

...so with all creation and citizens of heaven, we sing:

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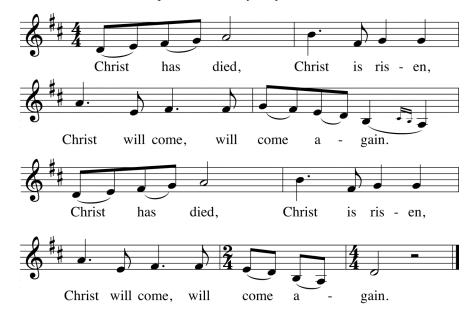




Celebrant How wonderful is the work of your hands, O God...

....Do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

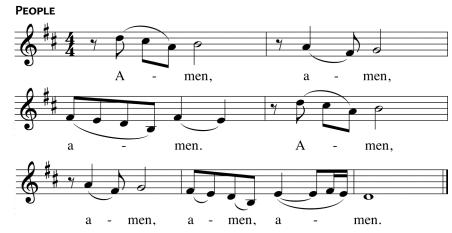


#### PEOPLE

Celebrant Obeying his command, we open our hearts to him ....

.... Renewed by your Spirit, grant that we may be builders of a world at unity with itself. Through, with, and in whom we give thanks and praise for you in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

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# The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant Joining our prayers into one,

let us pray as our Saviour taught us saying:

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 We break the bread of life,

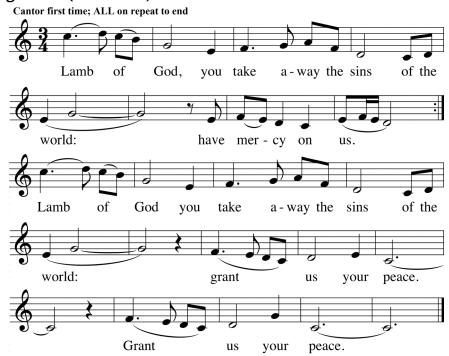
**PEOPLE** Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying.

**PEOPLE** If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.

# 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.

**Choral Anthem**...... O Blessed Spring Words: Susan Palo Cherwien Tune: "Berglund" arr. by Robert Buckley Farlee

#### Prayer After Communion

Celebrant Gracious God, we thank you

ALL that by your love our eyes were opened, our hunger fed, our sins forgiven; Send us now into the world as ambassadors of your compassion that by our hands the fragments of community may be gathered and the lost welcomed home: through Jesus our Reconciler. Amen.

# Family Thanksgiving & Announcements

All are invited to share if they know of any birthdays, anniversaries or other celebrations. As sharing concludes, all say "Amen."

All stand as able

Celebrant Glory to God.

ALL 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

Celebrant Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God: Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, and Love-Maker, be among you and remain with you always. **PEOPLE** Amen.



# Dismissal

**PEOPLE** Thanks be to God.

Postlude ...... Old Irish Blessing arr. Denes Agav

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# **PARISH EVENTS & NOTICES**

Vestry Meeting: Today at 11:45 am.

**Discerning Peace:** a 3-part Presentation on the Rector's Sabbatical Journey Slide shows, stories, and reflection. Note new time & location for Part 3!

Part 1: March 22, 5:30-7:30 pm Discerning Peace in Palestine (Gathering Rm)

- Part 2: April 5, 5:30-7:30 pm Discerning Peace in Taize, Trier, London, Galway (Gathering Rm)
- Part 3: April 12, 12:30-2:30 pm Holy Week in Jerusalem (Parish Hall & Sanctuary)

Soup is provided; bring sandwiches/goodies for yourself or to share with others.



<u>Congratulations to Taras!</u> The Parish Discernment Group has completed its work and is recommending Taras as a suitable candidate for ordination to the diaconate. Taras will next meet with the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese to determine if he would be recommended to attend the Diocesan Discernment Conference later this year. Many thanks to Bonnie Paetkau, Jill Halliwell, Carol Eades, Trudy Hergesheimer, and Stephanie Moul for their work on behalf of our whole church over the last 4 months. Please continue to keep Taras in your prayers.

**Parishioners' Picks:** Where Do We Go Now? Monday March 20 at 7:00 pm This is about women who set out to bring peace to their embattled village where Christian and Muslim men fight over everything. The director Nadine Labaki mixes genres in this inventive hybrid film. There are comic moments, dramatic scenes, and some fantasy music and dance numbers. The film was shown at the 2011 Cannes Film Festival and won the People's Choice Award (Best Narrative Feature) at the Toronto International Film Festival (2011).

Long ago John Lennon put a dream in our hearts singing: "All we are saying is give peace a chance." That's exactly what the resourceful and resilient women of this village are trying to do. This film will encourage you to ask how we each in our own way, wherever we are, can follow their example. (Spirituality and Practice) *(Bev Niebergall's pick)* 

<u>An Evening with Matthew Wright</u>: *Christianity & Unitive Wisdom* Saturday March 25 at 7:00 pm

at St. Hilda's. Suggested donation \$10-15. Matthew Wright is a leading voice in the emerging field of inter-spirituality, working to renew the Christian Wisdom Tradition within a wider inter-spiritual framework. Please see poster in breeze-way for more info.

Sunshine Coast Sub-deanery Safe Church Training Day: March 25 Anti-racism Training: 10 am - 5 pm | Sexual Misconduct Workshop: 10 am - 2 pm at Powell River United Church, 6932 Crofton St, Powell River Parish leaders are invited to take part in one of these training sessions to help our church be a safer and more inclusive space to practice ministry. Come and meet other clergy and lay leaders from similar rural ministry settings on the Coast and enjoy breaking bread together on the Feast of the Annunciation.

To REGISTER: Contact Janet Palin at St. David/St. Paul Anglican Church by email (anglican1@telus.net) or by phone 604 483 4230

Gibsons and Sechelt participants may take the 8:25 am ferry from Earls Cove and return home on the 5:55 pm ferry from Saltery Bay. Contact the Rector if you are interested in carpool.

**Dialogue Circle for Truth & Reconciliation:** Sunday March 26 from 1-4pm at Living Faith Lutheran Church. Discussing the TRC Calls to Action.

**Truth and Reconciliation Film & Conversation:** Sunday April 2 at 11:30 am The first of St. Hilda's T&R focus will be held after church . Nancy and John Denham will show the short 30 min film, *Reserve 107*, followed by a discussion opportunity. All are welcome. Invite a friend whom you think may be interested too!

Words from a review of Reserve 107 by Ed Bianchi from KAIROS Canada: Reserve 107 is a beautifully photographed, wonderfully accessible documentary – part history lesson, part current affairs class - that teaches us that reconciliation is about relationships and that relationships evolve, need nurturing, and are built on foundations of friendship, sharing and respect. From Reserve 107 we learn that while the road to reconciliation is a bumpy one with many switchbacks and more than a few obstacles, the destination is well worth the journey. It should be required viewing for everyone in Canada who is serious about reconciliation and, perhaps more importantly, for those who are not.

**BAKERS NEEDED** for the Spring ACW bake sale April 7 in Clayton's mall. This sale is a large part of our mission outreach. We appreciate your support. Questions or info contact Beth Lamb 604-740-4820 or at bplamb@yahoo.ca

#### **Diocesan ACW (Anglican Church Women):**

**BLANKET DRIVE:** As part of their on-going Social Action/outreach, bales of clothing and household items are sent three times a year to parishes in Northern BC and the Diocese of the Yukon. Blankets are used to secure items before being placed in heavy duty plastic sleeves for shipping. **Donations of clean, gently used double/queen size blankets (crocheted, knit or regular) would be most appreciated**. Not only will they be used to wrap the bales, but they will keep someone else warm.

**SOCK DRIVE:** We have learnt that many children do not have a change of socks when the pair they are wearing is wet or not warm enough so ACW has initiated a Sock Drive to collect socks to be distributed to school children in BC. **Donations of socks can be placed in the box in the Narthex.** 

Please see Amelia Foster (our ACW president) if you can help out or need further information. Cell: 604-782-1351 Email: fosda@hotmail.com

	Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's			
Sun	19	10:00 am	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School Vestry Meeting CRMC	Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary
Mon	20	3:00 pm	Monday Musings Study	Gathering Rm
Tues	21		Morning Prayer Library Hours	Sanctuary Gathering Rm
Wed	22	8:00 am	Wisdom Circle	Sanctuary
Thurs	23	1:30 pm	Morning Prayer EfM Group Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Gathering Rm Sanctuary
Fri	24	9:30-11:30 7:00 pm	Library Hours Gospel of Thomas Study	Gathering Rm Sanctuary
Sat	25	7:00 pm	Evening with Matthew Wright Christianity & Unitive Wisdom	Sanctuary
Sun	26		Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School Drumming Circle	Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary

# Readings for March 26 Fourth Sunday in Lent

	1 Samuel 16:1-13		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading:	Ephesians 5:8-14	Reader:	David Moul
	Gospel: John 9:1-41		

This Sunday's liturgy has been compiled from various sources, including:

· Psalm text from GS2016 Pointed Liturgical Psalter

• Psalm tone CP 748 by Samuel Arnold

· Greeting, Affirmation of Faith, Prayer over the Gifts, and The Breaking of the Bread from The Book of Alternative Services (1985).

· Eucharistic Prayer is adapted from Eucharistic Prayer for the City and Prayer after Communion is adapted from Five Lenten Prayers both by Jennifer Phillips and found in Gleanings, pp 81, 124-126.

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I	PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK	
Anglican Communion	Mbale - (Uganda) The Rt Rev Patrick Gidudu	
Diocese &	St. Cuthbert, Delta - The Rev Paul Woehrle	
Partners	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	Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue	
Parish Ministries	Music Director and Choir	
UN MDG Project	Kenya: the Well Management Committee	
Healing	Al (Annie Webb's son): comfort & strength during chemo Minetta Friberg: comfort & peace in palliative care Family of Anna Grandia: comfort & strength while grieving Jenny (Annie's sister-in-law): recovery from brain tumour Rev. Ian Nestegaard Paul: recovery and rehabilitation Robert (Annie Webb's brother): healing from cancer Sarah Thomas & son Bradley: comfort while grieving	
Residential Care/ Home Bound	Oskar Friesen, Evelyn Harrison, Marjorie Lanskail, Maria Mahar, Barbara Pearson, Beps Swanson, Eva Tweedie	
Prayer requests are listed for 4 weeks - to extend, please contact the office.		