

St Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds January 27, 2019 † 10:00 am Family Eucharist

3rd Sunday after Epiphany



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 IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY		
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev Clarence Li	Lay Administrator: Robert Watson	
Musicians: Katherine Hume & St Hilda's Choir	Sacristan: Amelia Foster	
Greeter/Usher: Eric Paetkau, Maggie Edwards	Crucifer: Barbara Carver	
Reader: Mike Starr	Coffee: Lois Gory, Marissa Alps	
Prayers: Amelia Foster	Altar Guild: Janet Tufnell, Linda Kern	

Rector's Musings

I'm writing to you on the last day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU). In 1908, Episcopalians Father Paul Wattson and Mother Lurana White set aside the period of eight days (between the Feast of the Confession of Peter, January 18 and the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, January 25) for the purpose of praying for the unity which was prayed for by Christ Himself. For 111 years, the Franciscan Sisters and Friars of the Atonement have been tirelessly promoting this ecumenical Week of Prayer as a visible sign of the Christian Church seeking healing for its many fractions.

I remember being invited by Sr. Elizabeth Kelliher to my first WPCU event in 2003 at St. Paul's Catholic Church, next-door neighbour of St. James' where I was a curate. Sr. Elizabeth later became my mentor in organizing community for justice and peace. Under her unrelenting advocacy and leadership, she and I and a group of community leaders representing a diverse base laid the groundwork for the broad-base organization Metro Vancouver Alliance (MVA). Sr. Elizabeth died a year before the formal launch of MVA in 2014 and I had the privilege to tell the founding story in her honour before an assembly of 800+ delegates. To-day MVA has 50 due-paying affiliated organizations representing faith, labour, education, and community sectors.

Why am I telling you this? Sr. Elizabeth taught me the Prayer for Christian Unity cannot be privatized (i.e. ends with our private prayers) and domesticated (i.e. ends within the walls of churches). Our prayers for unity need to take on flesh so that our prayers are grounded in openness, dialogues, and actions to build common good and justice.

What is your prayer for Christian Unity this year? How are you praying it with your actions?

Clarence

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. 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 Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn 1. A - wake! a - wake, and greet For the new morn, 2. To us, to all in sor row and fear, Em dark -3. In When est night his com ing shall be, 4. Re - joice, in the night, Though re - joice, take heart gels her - ald its dawn-ing, Sing out your joy, an for comes a - sing - ing, His hum - ble song man - u - el is world is de - spair - ing, As morn - ing light all the so The ris - ing sun shall dark the win - ter and cheer-less, soon he is born, Be - hold! the Child of our long - ing. qui et and near, Yet fills earth with its ring - ing; the qui - et and free, car - ing. So warm and gen - tle and crown you with light, Be strong lov - ing and fear - less; and bring Come as by weak and poor, To all hearts to a ba -Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul And hymns of lov ing break forth in song, Then shall the mute The lame shall leap in our prayer, And love, our end -Love be our song and love less geth - er, He pens wide the heav'n - ly door And 0 -The thun kind - ness, der of his an - thems roll То won - der, The weak be raised a - bove the strong, And May God sto ry, fill ev -'ry day we share, And lives now in side us for ev er. shat - ter all ha - tred and blind ness. weap - ons be bro - ken а sun der. bring us at last in to glo ry.

Greeting

Celebrant	In this time and place
	we gather on the ancestral territory of the shíshálh First Nation.
PEOPLE	From many places and peoples we come to this house in prayer.
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Celebrant	In this time and place we gather in the name of the living God.
People	We meet in the presence of Jesus Christ, risen and alive.
	In this time and place
celebrane	we gather with the community of faith
	around the globe and across the ages.
PEOPLE	In this time and place heaven and earth are one.
Celebrant	In this time and place
	we are not alone, but one in Christ.
PEOPLE	Knit together in the unity of the Spirit.
Celebrant	In this time and place
	hallowed, expectant, one people in God.
PEOPLE	In the name of the Holy and Blessed One,
	Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit. Amen.
Collect of	the Day
Celebrant	Let us hold this moment open to the Spirit of God. <i>(a time of silence)</i>
	God of freedom,
All	make us impatient to greet the time fulfilled,
	the poor lifted up,
	the oppressed set free
	and your love made manifest

in Jesus Christ, the Anointed Servant. Amen.

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 the children to walk through as they head out for Sunday School as we sing, Shine Jesus Shine:

 A Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Creator'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

The First Reading Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10..... Mike Starr

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19 Refrain sung twice. *Verses spoken* Left Side /**R**ight Side



find favor in your Heart, O my Beloved, my strength and my joy. Ref

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Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a......Mike Starr Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. Thanks be to God. All All rise as able. 447 Gradual Hymn Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness (vs. 1-2) All remain standing as able The Gospel Luke 4:14-21 Celebrant May God be with you **PEOPLE** And also with you Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke **PEOPLE** Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. After reading Celebrant The Gospel of Christ **PEOPLE** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. 447 Gradual Hymn Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness (vs. 3) All are seated. Affirmation of Faith We believe that when we live in love, we live in God and God lives in us. We believe that the mystery we call God is visible in human form in each of us, and among all creatures through creation. We believe that the life and teaching of Christ Jesus set us free from all fears, even the fear of God. We believe the Spirit of Christ is made known to us in the breaking of bread, in our wrestling with Holy Scriptures, and in being vulnerable to each other in community. We believe that the Church exists to affirm God's loving presence with us and to challenge us to give witness to this presence in our love for one another. We believe that we may respond to the love of God through serving

and respecting the dignity of all God's creation.

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.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant In humility,

as children of God and sisters and brothers in Christ, we receive God's mercy and respond to God's call to make new all relationships.

Silence is kept

Merciful Lord, your Spirit hovered over the waters where diversity sprouted and flourished. We confess our difficulty to live with legitimate differences. Forgive us those attitudes of mind, words and actions that do violence to unity in diversity.

ALL Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Merciful Christ,

grace and joy of the multitude, listener and teacher, you give birth to new visions of hope and heal the wounds of mind and body. We confess that we have failed to listen to voices different from our own, failed to say words that bring healing and hope, and we have perpetuated exclusive attitudes to those who cry out for solidarity and fellowship.

ALL Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Celebrant Merciful Lord, you are the source of all creation, the Eternal and life-giving Word.
We confess that we do not listen to your creation that groans and cries out for liberation and renewal.
Help us to walk together and to hear your voice in all living things that suffer and yearn for healing and care.
ALL Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Celebrant May God, fountain of mercy and grace, pour over you pardon and peace. May love transform you into a source of living waters to restore your strength.

ALL Amen.

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

God of the Bible (see p.13)

Doxology

Praise God the Source of life and birth. Praise God the Word, who came to earth. Praise God the Spirit, holy flame. All glory, honour to God's name.

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 It is indeed right and good ev'rywhere and always towe praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Celebrant We give you thanks for your Son: at the heart of human life, near to those who suffer, beside the sinner, among the poor, with us now.



Celebrant On the night he was betrayed...

... we proclaim the mystery of faith:







Celebrant We pray for the gift of your Spirit...

...through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit,

in your Church, without end.



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 We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
PEOPLE God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

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. Both wine and unfermented grape juice are served. If you 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 prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, you are welcome to come forward and place your hands across your chest.

57 Communion Hymn Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant Gracious God,

ALL our hands have taken holy things; our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son. May we who have eaten at this holy table be strengthened for service in your world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. 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 bless us with discomfort
	at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships
	so that we may live deep within our hearts.
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- ALL May God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people so that we may work for justice, freedom, and peace.
- Celebrant May God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation, and war so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them and turn their pain to joy.
 - ALL And may God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world so that we can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen.
- **627 Recessional Hymn** The Voice of God Goes Out

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go into the world and be the light of Christ! **PEOPLE Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude

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Offertory Hymn: God of the Bible



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Parish Events and Notices

Pre-Vestry Financial Meeting: All parishioners are invited to an information meeting on **Sunday February 3 from 11:30 am - 12:15 pm.** Our Treasurer will update us on the finances of St. Hilda's and walk us through the draft 2019 budget. We are grateful that giving in the month of December was exceptional and we are ending 2018 with a small operating surplus. Thank you to all who gave above and beyond. With the new commitments to repay the long term financing for the restoration starting this year, Church Committee is hosting this information meeting to present the draft 2019 budget and invite your inputs. This will help the Committee to finalize the budget so that it may be adopted at the Annual Vestry Meeting scheduled to be held on February 24 (please mark the date).

Justice Umbrella Team's 2019 Planning Meeting: Monday January 28 at 1:00 pm in the Gathering Room. If you have a particular interest in the justice work of St. Hilda's, please join us. All welcome. For more info, contact Jill Halliwell 604-885-1994.

Parishioners Picks: *Young at Heart* Monday January 28, 7 pm in the Sanctuary *Young at Heart* documents the true story of the final weeks of rehearsal for the Young at Heart Chorus in Northampton, MA, whose average age is 81, and many of whom must overcome health adversities to participate. Their music is unexpected, going against the stereotype of their age group, performing songs, for example, by James Brown, and Sonic Youth. Although they have toured Europe and sang for royalty, this account focuses on preparing new songs, not an easy endeavour, for a concert in their home town, which succeeds in spite of several real heart-breaking events.

FunRaising Group: Get ready for the next **Guess Who's Coming to Lunch?** on Saturday February 16. We need hosts and guests. Please contact Margy Grant or Jude Dusik after the 8:30 service or Maggie Scott after the 10:00 service. You can also call Maggie directly at 885-3312.

Readings for February 3, 4th Sunday after Epiphany1st Reading:2nd Reading:1 Corinthians 13:1-13.....Reader:Heather RankinPsalm 71:1-6Gospel:Luke 4:21-30

WHO WE ARE

St. Hilda, situated on the unceded ancestral lands of the shishalh 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.

Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's				
Sun	27	8:30 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm	···	Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary
Mon	28	2:00 pm	Justice Umbrella Planning Mtg Monday Musings Topic Social Isolation Parishioners' Picks Movie Night	Gathering Rm Annex Sanctuary
Wed	30	2:00 pm	Wisdom Circle Redevelopment Study Team Mtg Prayer Shawl Ministry	Sanctuary Gathering Rm Offsite
Thurs	31	7:00 pm	St. Hilda's Choir	Sanctuary
Sun	03	10:00 am	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School Pre-Vestry Financial Meeting	Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary

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	Parish Prayer for the Week
Anglican Communnion	The Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil - The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes, Primate of Brazil & Bishop of Curitiba
Diocese & Partners	The Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and the Yukon The Diocese of British Columbia – The Rt Rev Logan McMenamie The Diocese of Caledonia - The Rt Rev David Lehmann The Diocese of Kootenay The Territory of the People - The Rt Rev Barbara Andrews, Bishop Suffragan The Diocese of New Westminster & Metropolitan – The Most Rev Melissa Skelton The Diocese of the Yukon - The Rt Rev Larry Robertson 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	Habitat for Humanity
Local Churches	Salvation Army SC Community
Justice Umbrella	Kenya: the Community Greenhouses
Prayer Requests	Christina: young mom of 8 children with stage 3 breast cancer George: battling inoperable bowel cancer Joel: release from unjust imprisonment Nicaragua: justice for the people under repressive government
Parish Families	Evelyn Harrison, Carol Hartley, Max Haugen, Philippe Hebert, Diane Heisler

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