



St Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church

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March 3 2019 † 10:00 am Family Eucharist

Last Sunday after Epiphany



WHO IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev Clarence Li
Musicians: Katherine Hume & St Hilda's Choir
Greeter/Usher: Carol Eades, Jill Halliwell
Reader: Corrinne Newman
Prayers: Maggie Scott

Lay Administrator: Barbara Carver
Sacristan: Corrinne Newman
Crucifer: Kevin Rolston
Coffee: Liz Miller, Paula Selmayr
Altar Guild: Sandra Sneddon, Veronica Shillitto

Rector's Musings

Season of Lent: a new day, a new start, a new perspective

This Sunday we shall read the story about the Transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor where the appearance of his face became dazzling white. To some, the experience of God could be a blinding experience. In the Bible, the experience of blindness is always a precursor for deeper discovery and encounter (think about Saul, Bartimaeus, and the blind man in John's gospel). Could this Lent be a time for you to explore your spiritual blindness and learn seeing things in new ways anointed by the vision of Christ? So here are some invitations for the upcoming season:

Ancient rituals, new expressions: Join me gathering in the church new courtyard following the 10:00 service to turn last year's palms to ashes. Palm branches represent the love of God revealed through our misplaced hopes. We shall reflect on what we have learned from our "misplaced hopes" last year. The ashes we make will be used for the ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service at Living Faith Lutheran Church at noon this coming week. Come and experience this powerful symbol of wearing ashes on your forehead.

Lenten Fast: giving up chocolate or wine for the sake of your waistline? How about giving up plastic for the sake of the world? A PDF download "Less Plastic for Lent Calendar" was send with the E-Bulletin. Printed copies are also available in the Narthex.

Sign up for a daily meditation: *Lent is not Rocket Science: An Exploration of God, Creation, and the Cosmos* by Bishop Knisely, who is also a physicist and astronomer. "From the biggest to the smallest phenomena in the universe, this devotional series takes an accessible look at how natural theology can point us to the great mystery and presence of God.

Join a book club or read on your own: 8 people have signed up for the Archbishop's invite to read Gregory Boyle's *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship*. I wonder what it'd take for the whole parish to read a book this season.

Lovingly always, *Clarence*

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.

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.

✠ The Gathering of Community ✠

Prelude

Introduction & Welcome

All rise as able as the Sanctuary party processes in.

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

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.**

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.**

Celebrant In this time and place
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.
(a time of silence)

Shepherd of Israel and Light of all Nations,
ALL **in the journey of the magi,
we see how unjust powers and hatred
may diminish the advancing of your gospel.
Transfigure us by your love,
so that we may bring your message
to the dark places of this world;
through Jesus Christ, the Beloved. 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, Magic Penny Song:

♪ Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away.
 Oh love is something if you give it away, you end up having more.
 It's just like a magic penny, hold it tight and you won't have any.
 Lend it, spend it, and you'll have so many
 They'll roll all over the floor.

✠ The Proclamation of the Word of God ✠

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

The First Reading Exodus 34:29-35 Corrinne Newman

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99 Refrain and verses sung by all.

Awaken, ¹O you people!
 Entrust your ¹hearts to Love.
 For the Beloved ¹reigns supreme;
 let all the ¹earth give thanks!
 Your unseen Presence is great ¹in the land;
 You sit with the lead-¹ers of nations.
 Let them be silent and guided ¹by your Voice!
 Ho-¹ly are You!*Refrain*

You are mighty and love justice, You es-¹tablish equity;
 Out of the Silence, your Word can be heard in the land
 inviting the nations to ¹live in peace.
 Listen O you people! Open your hearts to ¹the Be-loved,
 that Truth may be ¹born anew!*Refrain*

Many who have gone before you followed the Be-¹loved's Voice,
 the unknown saints of all ¹gener-ations.

They surrendered themselves into the Beloved's hands,
and ¹walked with confidence.

They were guided through difficult times, keeping to Love's way,
and trusting ¹in Love's promises.

O Heart of all hearts, You an-¹swered their prayers;

With mercy, You forgave them their wrongdoings,
always inviting them ¹to new life.

Sing praises to the Beloved, and aspire to ascend the ¹holy mountain.

Holy are You, O Gi-¹ver of Life!*Refrain*

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12 — 4:2.....Corrinne Newman

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

ALL Thanks be to God.

All rise as able.

Gradual Hymn *Jesus, on the Mountain Peak* (vs 1-2) Tune 239



1. Je - sus, on the moun-tain peak stands a - lone in
2. Trem-bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E-



glo - ry blaz - ing. Let us, if we dare to speak,
li - jah speak - ing. All the prop-hets and the law



join the saints and an - gels prais - ing: Al - le - lu - ia!
shout thru them their joy - ful greet - ing: Al - le - lu - ia!

All remain standing as able

The Gospel Luke 9:28-36

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.

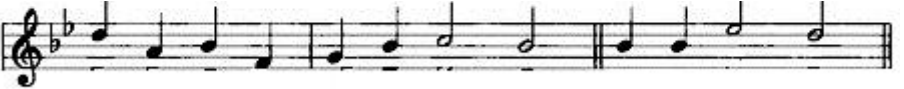
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3. Swift the cloud of glo - ry came, God, pro - claim - ing
4. Je - sus is the cho - sen One, liv - ing hope of



in its thun - der, Je - sus as the Son by name!
ev - 'ry na - tion. Hear and heed him, ev - 'ry one;



Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der: Al - le - lu - ia!
sing with earth and all cre - a - tion: Al - le - lu - ia!

All are seated.

Sermon The Rev Clarence Li

Choir Anthem *Let It Shine!* Tr. Spiritual arr. Don Besig & Nancy Price

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.

**ALL 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.**

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.

**ALL 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.**

Celebrant Merciful Lord, you are the source of all creation,
the Eternal and life-giving Word.

**ALL 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.**

Celebrant May God, fountain of mercy and grace,
pour over you pardon and peace.

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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.*

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.....*Take This Moment* (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.

Presider *All*



The Spirit of God be with you. And al - so with you.

Presider *All*



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All



It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is indeed right and good ev'rywhere and always to ...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is the One who comes, who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Holy God,
 you alone are holy, you alone are God.
 The universe declares your praise:
 beyond the stars, beneath the sea,
 within each cell, with every breath.

PEOPLE *All*

We praise you, O God.

Celebrant Generations bless your faithfulness:
 through the waters, across the wilderness,
 by night and day,
 out of exile, into the future.

PEOPLE *All*

We bless you, O God.

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.

PEOPLE *All*

We thank you, O God.

Celebrant On the night he was betrayed...
...we proclaim the mystery of faith:

PEOPLE

All
Christ has died.
Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

Celebrant We pray for the gift of your Spirit...
...through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit,
in your Church, without end.

PEOPLE

All
A - men.
A - men. A - men.

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)

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us.
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

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.

🎵 **63 Communion Hymn** Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup (refrain only)

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant Holy God,

ALL we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

May we who are partakers of his table

reflect his life in word and deed,

that all the world may know

his power to change and save.

We ask this in his name. 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 If we had a fraction of the faith in you that you have in us

ALL Then this world would be transformed, Lord.

Celebrant If we showed a fraction of the love that you show to us

ALL Then this world would be transformed, Lord.

Celebrant If we possessed a fraction of the patience
that you display with us

ALL Then this world would be transformed, Lord.

Celebrant If we shared just a portion of the blessings
that we have received from you

ALL Then this world would be transformed, Lord.

Celebrant If we showed as much trust in others as you have shown in us.


ALL Then this world would be transformed, Lord.

Celebrant If we claimed just a fraction of the power
you promised to your Church

ALL Then this world would be transformed, Lord.

Celebrant Transform us first, Lord, that we might transform this world

ALL Through your love and your power.

 **393 Recessional Hymn***Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go into the world and be the light of Christ!

PEOPLE Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude



Offertory Hymn: Take This Moment



1. Take this mo - ment, sign, and space;
 2. Take the time to call my name,
 3. Take the tired - ness of my days,
 4. Take the lit - tle child in me,
 5. Take my tal - ents, take my skills,



Take my friends a - round; Here a -
 Take the time to mend Who I
 Take my past re - gret, Let - ting
 Scared of grow - ing old; Help him/her
 Take what's yet to be; Let my



mong us make the place
 am and what I've been,
 your for - give - ness touch
 here to find his/her worth
 life be yours, and yet,



Where your love is found.
 All I've failed to tend.
 All I can't for - get.
 Made in Christ's own mold.
 Let it still be me.

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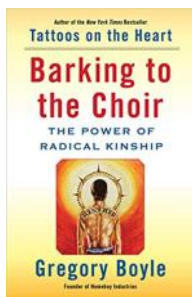
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Parish Events and Notices



Pre-order for Lenten Book Club: In this season of Lent, Archbishop Melissa invites you to join her in reading, *Barking to the Choir: The Power of Radical Kinship* by Gregory Boyle. In a moving example of unconditional love in difficult times, Boyle shares what three decades of working with gang members in Los Angeles has taught him about faith, compassion, and the enduring power of kinship. The book is \$30 to order in bulk from Talewind Books. Email the Rector or sign up in the Narthex this week if you'd like a copy to be ready for Lent. There is no age limit for a spiritual adventure!

Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service: March 6 at 12:00 noon will be held at Living Faith Lutheran Church in Davis Bay.

Special Vestry Meeting on Sunday, March 31: We left the Annual Vestry Meeting last Sunday without an approved 2019 budget. People expressed some valid concerns over how we are to finance what looks like to be a \$30,000 deficit. Church Committee and Trustees are left with the task of reworking the 2019 budget and will present a revised one with recommendations at a Special Vestry Meeting to be held on March 31 at noon. Mark your calendar. More information to come.

St. Hilda's Justice Umbrella Book Study: The Justice Umbrella Ecumenical Book Study will start the final book 'Quest for Respect: The Church and Indigenous Spirituality' in the excellent Mennonite-produced Reconciliation series, on Monday April 1st in the Gathering Room, and continue on 1st and 3rd Mondays 2-4 pm. New participants are most welcome. Please contact John Denham 604-885-7373 to reserve your book approx \$10

Music Arising! Gala Concert: Sunday March 10th, 3 pm Reception 4 pm Concert Featuring: Katherine Hume, piano; Kathryn Caswell, violin; Kevin Roy, viola; David Poon, organ; A Cappella Strait Choir; Vocal Intent; Pender Harbour Choir; Reflections Women's Choir. Tickets are \$30.

Guess Who's Coming to Lunch will now be on Saturday, April 6. Please contact Maggie Scott if you would like to add your name to the guest list. Refunds are available if you already paid the \$20 and cannot attend on that date.

The two Maggies will draw the guest names at random, and guests will be told the day before the lunch who will be their host. This is a great way to get to know different parishioners a bit better.

Readings for March 10 1st Sunday of Lent

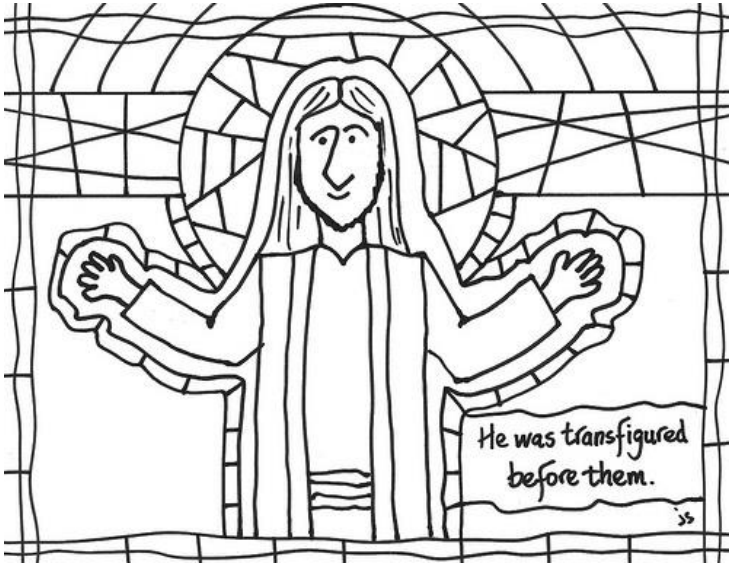
1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

2nd Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

WHO WE ARE

St. Hilda, situated on the unceded ancestral lands 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.



Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's				
Sun	03	8:30 am 10:00 am	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School	Sanctuary Sanctuary
Mon	04	2:00 pm	Truth & Reconciliation Study	Gathering Rm
Tues	05	10:00 am 2:15 pm	Ecumenical Men's Breakfast Communion Service	Living Faith Shorncliffe
Wed	06	8:00 am 12:00 pm 2:00 pm	Wisdom Circle Ash Wednesday Service Prayer Shawl Ministry	Sanctuary Living Faith Parish Home
Thurs	07	7:00 pm	St. Hilda's Choir	Sanctuary
Sat	09	1:00 pm	Piano Tuning	Sanctuary
Sun	10	8:30 am 10:00 am 3:00 pm 4:00 pm	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School Gala Reception Gala Concert	Sanctuary Sanctuary Hall Sanctuary

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PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK	
Anglican Communion	The Iglesia Anglicana de Chile The Most Revd Héctor (Tito) Zavala Muñoz - Bishop of Santiago & Primate
Diocese & Partners	Sorrento Retreat and Conference Centre – The Rev Michael Shapcott (Executive Director), Staff and Board of Directors Education for Ministry - The Rev Paula Porter Leggett (Diocesan Coordinator) 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	Strong Start (Parent & Child) Program
Parish Ministries	Cemetery Board
Justice Umbrella	Kenya: students of Kyathani/Lower Yatta Secondary Schools siyaya Reconciliation Movement
Prayer Requests	Carolyn Cordsen: recovery from blood poisoning Christina: young mom of 8 battling Stage 3 Breast Cancer George: battling inoperable bowel cancer Margy Grant: for broken leg Heather Jeal: blessings while healing from cancer Mary Knight: healing for broken collarbone Claire Nelson: recovery from cancer treatment Roanda: life-threatening condition affecting brain & heart Seawatch families: under evacuation order
Ongoing Need	Connie, Rev. Gordon Dominey, Mary Gordon, Wayne Greggain, Bob & Jane Hammersma, Max Haugen, Robert, Jeannette Shouls, Chris Sooley

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