



**ST. PETER**  
ANGLICAN CHURCH

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**January 10, 2021**  
**Baptism of the Lord**  
Service by Zoom

*The Diocese of British Columbia acknowledges that for thousands of years the Coast Salish, Nuu-chah-nulth, and Kwakwaka'wakw peoples have walked gently on the unceded territories where we now live, work, worship, and play. We seek a new relationship with the first peoples here, one based in honour and respect, and we thank them for their hospitality.*

*Celebrating full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada*

# A Service of the Word

*This liturgy is based on the*

*Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Alternative Services***

*Notes for Zoom participants: As we begin our service all voices will be muted. The musician and those with speaking parts will unmute themselves. We do this because when many voices speak on zoom, there is cacophony. Please do respond to the people's part in your home, please do sing joyously when the hymn is played. The words will be projected.*

*At the end of the dismissal you are invited to unmute and join in greetings and conversation with others.*

*Please prepare for this service by lighting a candle and bringing a small amount of water in a bowl or tumbler to a place near your computer.*

## **The Gathering of the Community**

Officiant Lord, open our lips,

**People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

**People O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \* serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to him and call upon his name.

**For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

## The priest prays the Collect of the Day

### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: [Isaiah 60:1-6](#)

[Genesis 1:1-5](#)

[Psalm 29](#)

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \* ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; \* worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; \* the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \* the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour.**

5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \* the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \* and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

**7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \* the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \* and strips the forests bare.

**9 And in the temple of the Lord \* all are crying, "Glory!"**

10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \* the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

**11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \* the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

Gospel: [Mark 1:4-11](#)

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Sermon

## **The Renewal of Baptismal Vows**

Thanksgiving for Water

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we celebrate our fellowship in him in faith. We pray that all who have passed through the water of baptism may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Saviour. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Dear friends, on this day when we remember the baptism of Jesus by John, let us renew the promises we made in baptism, when we rejected Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

**People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

**People I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**People I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

**People I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

**People I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**People I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

**People I will, with God's help.**

*The clergy and people now share in marking themselves and other members of their household on the forehead with the water, making the sign of the Cross.*

Celebrant: You are marked with the sign of the Cross to show that you are Christ's own, forever.

God the creator, the rock of our salvation, has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ. May he keep us faithful to our calling, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn **The Church's One Foundation**

Georgia Smith

1 The church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
we are a new creation  
by water and the Word.  
From heav'n he came and taught us  
what perfect love can be;  
through life and death he sought us,  
and rose to set us free.

2 The church in ev'ry nation  
is one through all the earth;  
our charter of salvation,  
one God, one faith, one birth;  
one name together blessing,  
one holy food we share,  
to one hope ever pressing,  
at one in work and prayer.

## Prayers of the People

### The Peace

*On zoom, a way to offer peace is to look at each person who appears on your screen, and whether they are looking at you or not, pray for God's peace for them. A wave, a smile, a nod of the head are all fitting expressions of your intention.*

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

In Thanksgiving for all God's blessings in our lives we pray:

**Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**

Priest As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

**People Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done, on earth as it is 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 forever. Amen**

### Dismissal

**LA** Go forth into the world rejoicing in God our Saviour,

**Thanks be to God!**

## **We pray for the Church here and throughout the world**

We pray for Anna, our Bishop elect, Ansley, our Administrator, and in our diocesan cycle we pray for the clergy and people of Ss. Anne & Edmund, Parksville & Church of the Good Shepherd, Lasqueti Island - Andrew Twiddy & Christine Muise

In our Ecclesiastical province we pray for Bishop David Lehman and the clergy and people of The Diocese of Caledonia, and for Melissa, our Metropolitan.

We pray for Linda, our Primate and in the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

We pray for this parish, our clergy Cathie and David, for our wardens, Parish Council and other lay leaders.

Today in our parish we pray for parish members readers and Lay Assistants, and for Bill Ritchie, organizer. We give thanks for their resilience and willingness to adapt.

We pray for the leaders of the nations and for our own leaders, for Justin, our Prime Minister, for John our Premier, and for Andy, our Mayor, and for the council and elected officials of Campbell River.

Today in our community we pray for teachers, school administrators, instructors, professors and all who teach, and for all who are students.

We pray for those in particular need of healing and hope, especially..., and those you may name, aloud or in the silence of your hearts.

Silence

We offer thanks for the goodness of God's gifts to us aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

*If you wish to have the name of a family member or friend mentioned in our Sunday Prayers please obtain their permission and then call Cathie or the parish office.*

Let the Prayer Circle know if you have a confidential prayer concern.

Email [stpeterCRprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterCRprayerchain@gmail.com)



## Participants in the Service

Lay Assistant:	Kate Fitzsimmons
Reader:	Gemma Halstead
Gospel:	The Rev. David Fitzsimmons
Musician	Georgia Smith

*If you are a musician please feel free to volunteer to play for our Sunday services.*

### Important dates

- Today, January 3 at noon, Liturgy Meeting on zoom
- January 4, 10:00 AM Coffee Monday resumes
- January 6 office hours 9:30 AM
- January 17 at noon, Parish Council
- January 30 11:00 AM Consecration of our new Bishop
- February 17 Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent
- Feb 28, 12:00 Annual Congregational Meeting
- March 6, 9 to noon, Congregational Day of Planning and Reflection
- April 4 Easter Sunday

### Cathie's Schedule

Open office hours Wednesday 9:30 to 1:00

By appointment Thursday 9:00 to noon.

Planning is underway for a Wednesday evening study by zoom. If you are interested please call or email Cathie to suggest topics. David Fitzsimmons is also willing to hold a study group at another time.

# Outreach at St. Peter's

## Grass Roots and Kind Hearts

Its St. Peter's turn to host the dinner on Tuesday, January 19. Volunteers are welcome to help with cooking and serving the dinner.

## Noisy offering

This is for the folks who need meals and other help through Grass Roots and Kind Hearts. Rain ponchos and gloves are in special need right now. This all about small comforts like warm socks, or nail clippers, or other small amenities that help folks who are living close to the margins. Coins, bills, cheques, or offerings in kind are welcome.

## Food Bank

The need is great. We just celebrated the birth of Jesus who was born in temporary shelter in perilous times. Some of Campbell River's youngest citizens are living in difficult circumstances. Gifts of diapers, formula, baby food, and non-perishable food will make a difference in many lives. Please plan to help.

## Our Building Serves the Community

We are only available to host essential services during the Pandemic Sunday evening

AA in the Hall

Alanon in the Library



Does anyone in the parish have any experience with archival material? Your help may be needed with a small project. Please call Cathie or the church office and leave a message.

The ACW is looking for nylon zippers, any length, new or gently used. Please drop off at the church.

### **Attention all Leaders**

It is Annual Report time. Please email the report for your group's activities in 2020 to Cathie or to the office. Please use Word or some other text format, but preferably not a PDF. No words will be changed but sometimes we need to resize a document to save space in the report document itself.

These reports form an important part of the record of the history of St. Peter's, and in a year such as we have just experienced they will make interesting reading indeed.

### Where there be Deacons (Part One of Four)

As Cathie noted last week, "A deacon has one foot in the world and one at the Altar". It is an accurate image of a deacon that is oft repeated. There is another, however that I think is in tune with this Post-Christian Twenty-first century world we live in. It is, perhaps, a narrower perspective but it illustrates how a deacon can interpret the church to the world.

All of us have been to the beach at low tide and seen the tidal pools left by the receding waters. In this environment, created and destroyed twice each day by the ebb and flow of the tide, there is an entire ecosystem. There are plants and creatures that live not in the ocean, and not on the land but instead in this unstable world in between.

Unlike a generation or two ago, we live in world with many people who have had no exposure to church at all. The language of faith, and the rhythm of the sacred calendar are as foreign to them as another unknown language. There is a real separation between the community of faith and the larger secular community.

And yet, at the edges, there are people not completely in either community, for instance the "spiritual but not religious," and the Christmas and Easter church folk. These people may lack the language of the prayerbook, or a weekly commitment. They are not, however, living completely secular lives without a spiritual component. These are the citizens of a spiritual intertidal zone and it is in this place that a deacon might best interpret the church to the world.

Next week: The Deacon as interpreter

# **WELCOME!**

## **Parish Staff and Leaders**

Interim Priest: The Rev. Dr. Catherine Dafoe Hall

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Bishop's Warden: Lois Tirebuck

People's Warden: David Storrie

Deputy Warden: Bill Ritchie

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Prayer Circle: Kate Fitzsimmons

Communications Director: Trina Soltys

Envelope Secretary: Frank Maga

Healing Prayer Ministry: Sue Vickery

Lay Assistants and Readers: Bill Ritchie

ACW President: Bev Lawrence, Lois Tirebuck

Mindfulness: Jane Jennings

Coffee Monday: Jennifer Coolen

Sunday School: Jane Monchak, Diana Hicks

Altar Guild President: Frances Hudock

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## **Diocese of the Islands and Inlets:**

**Bishop-Elect: The Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee**

**The Very Rev. Ansley Tucker,**

**Diocesan Administrator**