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January 17, 2021 2nd Sunday After Epiphany 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 <u>do</u> 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 note that there are announcements in the leaflet following the service.

Please prepare for this service by lighting a candle, a bell will be rung after a period of silence.

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.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: I Samuel 3:1-10

<u>Psalm 139</u>

1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.

3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; * you knit me together in my mother's womb.

13 I will thank you because I am marvellously made; * your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

14 My body was not hidden from you, * while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.

16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * how great is the sum of them!

17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

God of mystery and power, even our minds and hearts are the veils and signs of your presence. We come in silent wonder to learn the way of simplicity, the eternal road that leads to love for you and for your whole creation. We come as your Son Jesus Christ taught us, and in his name. Gospel: John 1:43-51

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 Rev. David Fitzsimmons

Hymn 430

By John Bell

Will you come and follow me If I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know And never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my name be known, Will you let my life be grown In you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true When you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you And never be the same. In your company I'll go Where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow In you and you in me. 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.

Prayers of the People

The priest prays the Collect of the Day

The Confession

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness. Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name.

Amen.

The Priest pronounces the absolution.

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.

PriestAs our Saviour taught us, let us pray.PeopleOur 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!

Participants in the Service

Lay Assistant:	Sue Vickery
Reader:	Arlene Smith
Gospel:	The Rev. David Fitzsimmons
Musician	Georgia Smith

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

Zoom and the Annual Meeting

The Diocese is expecting all congregations to hold their annual meetings on Zoom or a similar format.

Meetings, including annual meetings by electronic means, are authorized by the diocesan canons.

We plan to use Zoom because it allows us to have as many as 100 people attend and there is a means for voting which is transparent. Zoom allows everyone to participate by speaking and being heard.

Some people are still not familiar with zoom so there will be a number of practice sessions so we can learn to vote and speak in an orderly way. These sessions will take place in February.

Those who do not have access to a computer can still attend using a tablet or any telephone and instructions will be provided. You are encouraged to seek advice and support within your 'bubble' so that you can participate safely. We expect to continue to meet and worship on zoom for some time so please consider joining us.

Pastoral Care

Our priest is unable to visit people in the parish because of the current restrictions. Brief meetings in the parish office are possible but not advisable. She is calling people on the telephone to checkin. If you would like a call please call the office and leave a message. In an emergency call her cell number (on the front of the bulletin).

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 S. Dunstan, Gordon Head - Jeremy Carr. In our Ecclesiastical province we pray for Bishop Lynne McNaughton and the clergy and people of The Diocese of Kootenay, and for Melissa, our Metropolitan.

We pray for Linda, our Primate and in the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Australia.

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 Leaders of the parish as we reflect on our past year and write reports.

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 reporters, writers, broadcasters, and all who give us news and shape our community discourse.

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 <u>stpeterCRprayerchain@gmail.com</u> you may leave a confidential message on the Church telephone 250 286-1613.



Important dates

- January 17 at noon, Parish Council.
- January 20, Wednesday, 9:30 to 1:00 office hours
- January 20, Thursday, 9 to noon, by appointment
- January 24, 3rd Sunday after Epiphany 10 AM
- January 30 11:00 AM Consecration of our new Bishop
- February 17 Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, service at 7:00 PM
- Feb 28, 12:00 Annual Congregational Meeting by zoom
- 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. One suggestion is to look at the readings for the Sunday ahead. What do you think?

David Fitzsimmons is also willing to hold a study group at another time such as an afternoon. Please suggest topics and meeting times to David.



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

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. Those who use the food bank are people who live in their homes but whose income is too low to provide the necessities of life. Many of these families have infants and young children. 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

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.

The Deacon as interpreter (Part two of four)

The first mention of those who would become known as Deacons is the Book of Acts, at the end of the fifth chapter and the beginning of the sixth.

We learn that the apostles were preaching unceasingly in the synagogue and from house to house. In response to a complaint of neglect from Hellenist widows, seven were chosen to meet those needs. Stephen, the first Christian martyr, who was stoned to death for preaching the gospel was one of those seven.

As we learn from such works as <u>The Character of a Deacon</u>, the apostles were teaching in Aramaic. The Greek widows needed someone to teach them in Greek when they gathered around their tables. It was this need that led to the selection of the seven. Part of the mission of a Deacon, then, is to interpret, and in our day, to interpret the Church to the world.

The Christian message of redemption and forgiveness is no longer taught to most of our neighbours as it might have been generations ago, when Sunday School attendance as more common. For those in the spiritual intertidal zone the message may well resonate, but only if we translate it from language which requires an understanding of the Christian faith, into language that accessible to all.

A Deacon, called to a ministry that includes interpreting the Church to the world might undertake that task of translation in the spiritual intertidal zone, and by so doing, communicate the gospel to those with ears to hear it.

Next Week: Translation: an example

WELCOME!

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