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March 14, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Lament and Longings—reflections on a year of COVID 19 lockdown

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. Please <u>do</u> respond to the people's part in your home, please <u>do</u> sing joyously when the hymn is played.

Please note that there are announcements in the leaflet following the service.

As always, we will continue to light a candle as our service begins.

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

The following prayer may be said.

Celebrant Almighty God,

All to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Reading: <u>Luke 15:8-10</u> Lok Wing Wong

Confession and Absolution

The people are invited to confession in these or similar words.

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,

People

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 celebrant says,

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

First Reading Numbers 21:4-9 George Wagner

Psalm 107 LA Pauline Woods

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, * and his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

7 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; * they were afflicted because of their sins.

18 They abhorred all manner of food * and drew near to death's door.

19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.

20 He sent forth his word and healed them * and saved them from the grave.

21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy * and the wonders he does for his children.

22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving * and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

O God, the divine seeker, you are light to the lost, bread to the hungry, deliverance to the captive, healing to the sick, eternal vision to the dying, and harbour to every soul in peril. Gather the wanderers from every corner of the world into the community of your mercy and grace, that we may eternally praise you for our salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Gospel: JOHN 3:14-21 The Rev. David Fitzsimmons

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: Longing and Lament

The Apostle's Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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. Amen.

Hymn Georgia Smith and Kate Fitzsimmons

1 Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear; Things I would ask Him to tell me If He were here: Scenes by the wayside, Tales of the sea, Stories of Jesus, Tell them to me.

2 First let me hear how the children stood 'round His knee, And I shall fancy His blessing resting on me; Words full of kindness, deeds full of grace, All in the love-light Of Jesus' face.

3 Into the city I'd follow, the children's band, Waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand; One of His heralds, yes, I would sing Loudest hosannas, "Jesus is King!"

Prayers of the People

The priest prays the Collect of the Day

The Peace

A wave, a smile, a nod of the head are all fitting expressions of your intention for peace for yourself and for each other.

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:

God of mercy and compassion, your Word calls us home to faith and love. Accept all we offer you this day, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.	La
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Priest As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.	N
People Our Father in heaven,	lf
hallowed be your name,	se
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!

Blessing

Announcements

We pray for the Church here and throughout the world

We pray for Anna, our Bishop, , and in our diocesan cycle we pray for S. Peter, Quamichan - Mary-Jane Leewis-Kirk . In our Province we pray for the Diocese of the Territory of the People, Bishop Lincoln McKoen. We pray for our new Metropolitan Archbishop Lynne McNaughton. We pray for Linda, our Primate and in the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de Chile .

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

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 those who labour for their living in local industries. 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.

A new feature of the Prayers is the inclusion of members of our parish family chosen from the parish list and offered each week. Listen to hear the names of your family and your neighbours and join with us in commending them to God.

Let the Prayer Chain 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

- March 17 office hours 9:00 to noon
- Mar 17 7:00 PM study group with Cathie Hall
- March 18 Cathie in office by appointment only 9 to noon
- Mar 18 10:00 AM study group with David Fitzsimmons
- March 21 Parish Council meeting at noon
- Mar 28 Liturgy of the Palms, Sunday of the Passion
 - Orive by to receive a Blessing and a Blessed Palm 11:00 AM
- April 1 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday
- April 2, 10:00 AM Good Friday
- April 4 Easter Sunday
- May 23 Day of Pentecost
- May 29 Diocesan Synod

Dr. Bonnie Henry spoke of loosening restrictions on worship services by Easter but the Bishop has determined that we will continue to worship electronically. We need more information and we need it earlier in order to plan a return to public worship. But it will happen when the time is right.

The ACW is looking for nylon zippers, any length, new or gently used. Please drop off at the church. This will be an ACW fundraiser for local outreach. Stay tuned for more news! <u>See our website if you</u> would like to see the results of the ACW's great skill. All products available to you by donation!

Other Important Announcements

Building Security and re-keying. Re-keying should take place this week. Safe Church rules require that keyholders have a current Criminal Record Check (and Safe Church training when available.) New keys will be distributed to qualifying holders on Wednesday mornings or by appointment.

Offering Envelopes are available for pick-up at the church office Wednesday morning or by arrangement.

Please don't forget that outreach is ongoing, please bring your offering to the church for the foodbank, or for the Noisy Offering, or for the parish collection.

2021 Parish Council

Bishop's Warden: Lois Tirebuck

People's Warden: Dave Storrie

Deputy Wardens: Bill Ritchie and Tony Smith

Synod Delegates: Tony Smith and Pauline Woods

Alternate: Barb Henshall

Continuing in second year:

Bill Ritchie Other: Connie Burns Elected as youth repre-George Wagner sentative to Regional Elected for two year term: Council : Barb Henshall Lok Wing Wong Greg Goldstone Gemma Halstead

Adult Christian Education for Lent

<u>Wednesday evening study group</u> 7:00 to 8:30. We will see a 2 minute video by our new bishop and reflect on what we hear. We will begin February 24. we will consider a new topic for after Easter as the series ends. Perhaps we will look at the lives of the women and men around Jesus. Led by Cathie Hall.

<u>Thursday Morning study group</u> at 10:00 AM. We will be using the Lent resources from the Iona Community as a resource. The first theme will be retreat. This will begin on February 25 and continue until Easter. Lead by Deacon David Fitzsimmons.

PWRDF Daily email

There are many opportunities for independent learning for those who can't join a zoom group. Our PWRDF representative tells us about this resource which will provide the subscriber with a daily email. The resource people are the Right Rev. Jane Alexander and the Rev. Patrick Stephens. To subscribe go to: <u>pwrdf.org/Lent2021</u> There are materials for children.

Lenten disciplines

One of the exhortations for Lent is that we fast. Traditionally this was fasting from meat and rich food. Our Bishop called this Lent the "lentiest' Lent and we should be aware that we have given up much in this past year. Perhaps we can fast in a different way this year. Fast from grouchiness, for a day. Fast from gossip. Reach out to someone you have missed and mend a relationship. Do small things that are meaningful, in your home, in the garden, in the church. Be kind to yourself as well as others.

WELCOME!

Parish Staff and Leaders

Interim Priest: The Rev. Dr. Catherine Dafoe Hall 250-668-3701—catherinehall@cdafoe.ca Deacon: The Rev. David Fitzsimmons Bishop's Warden: Lois Tirebuck People's Warden: David Storrie Deputy Wardens: Bill Ritchie and Tony Smith Treasurer: Holly Finn Custodian: Gwen Demerse

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