



St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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January 5, 2020 Epiphany of the Lord 10:00 am Family Eucharist

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WELCOME

We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. There are candles in the Chapel for those who wish to light one and say a prayer at any time before and during the service. We ask that you please turn off all cell phones and pagers. After the service, we invite newcomers (and others!) to visit our Welcome Table downstairs in the Lounge. This is a place where you can learn more about the various activities and groups here at St. John's, find contact information, ways to get involved and have fun!

St John's North Vancouver Parish recognizes we are on the unceded Coast Salish territories within the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations.

Ministering today at our 10:00 a.m. service:

Officiant: The Reverend Gary Hamblin Deacon: The Reverend Juanita Clark

Musician: Galina Martyniouk, piano and organ

Choir Director: Christie Smith
Crucifer & Server: Hazel Breakey
Readers: Bob Hardy, Raf Ellis
Intercessor: Donna Lawrence

Eucharistic Administrators: TBA

Sunday School Linda Harrison Greeter: Barb Tobias

Outreach: Madeline Cooper, Eileen Spender

Welcome Table: Alison Brookfield

Flowers in the Sanctuary today given to the glory of God by several members of the Parish of St. John's. Please see the back page.

Prelude & Announcements

Processional Hymn

143 Angels, from the Realms of Glory



Text: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt.

Music: Henry Thomas Snart (1813-1879); desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971),

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The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of

God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Almighty God,

All to you all hearts are open, all desires are 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.

Glory to God

AII

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Celebrant **All**

God of power and life, the glory of all who believe in you, fill the world with your splendour and show the nations the light of your truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Children's Hymn

All children are invited to go downstairs for Sunday School with their teacher after the song.

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HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD
NEGRO MELODY irregular

traditional



He's got the wind and the rain in his hands, he's got the sun and the moon in his hands, he's got the wind and the rain in his hands, he's got the whole world in his hands.

The Proclamation of the Word The First Reading: read by Bob Hardy

A reading from the book of Isaiah

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Isaiah 60:1-6

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All Thanks be to God.

Give the king your justice, O God, * and your righteousness to the king's son;

that he may rule your people righteously * and the poor with justice;

that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, * and the little hills bring righteousness.

He shall defend the needy among the people, * rescuing the poor and crushing the oppressor.

He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, * from one generation to another.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; * there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

The rulers of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, * and the rulers of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

All rulers shall bow down before him, * and all the nations do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress * and the oppressed who has no helper.

He shall have pity on the lowly and poor * and shall preserve the lives of the needy.

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

The Second Reading: read by Raf Ellis A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Ephesians 3:1-12

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Gradual Hymn All stand for the Gospel. Before the reading of the Gospel, the first half of the Gradual Hymn is sung.

CP 128 The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy

The virgin Mary had a baby boy, the virgin Mary had a baby boy, the virgin Mary had a baby boy, and they say that his name was Jesus.

Refrain:
He come from the glory,
he come from the glorious
kingdom.
He come from the glorious
kingdom.
Oh, yes! believer! Oh, yes!
believer!
He come from the glory,
he come from the glory,
he come from the glorious
kingdom.

The angels sang when the baby was born, the angels sang when the baby was born, the angels sang When the baby was born, and proclaim the saviour Jesus.

Refrain

The Wise Men went where the baby was born, the Wise Men went where the baby was born, the Wise Men went where the baby was born, and they say that his name was Jesus.

Refrain

The Gospel — Epiphany of the Lord

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,

are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler

who is to shepherd my people Israel." '

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Matthew 2:1-12

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the second half of the Gradual Hymn is sung.

Sermon The Reverend Gary Hamblin

Time for Reflection

Nicene Creed

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

ΑII

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People



The Church: Archbishop Melissa Skelton, Linda Nicholls our Primate, Mark MacDonald the Indigenous Archbishop of Canada, Patrick our Priest and Juanita our Deacon. Bishop Brent Alawas, and the Clergy and People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines. Church of the Epiphany, Surrey - The Reverend Stephen Rowe Christ the Redeemer, Surrey.

The Local Community: City & District of North Vancouver, Queen Mary Community School.

The World: *Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:*

where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Those in Need: For those who are sick, hospitalized and in need of our prayers. This week, our prayers are requested especially for these members and friends of our St. John's faith community: Berna, Bruce and Ann, Frances T., Elsie, Wilma, Kelly, Jaye E., Elle D., Allison M., Tom and Doreen H. Also for Olga S., Andy M., Meherunissa, Ratyia M., Laurie S., Ruby E., Frances B., Flo L., C.L.J.T., Sandro Y., Lesley G., Jean S., Ron and Rosemary P., Maria M., Joan C. and Liam.

The Dearly Departed: Those who are no longer with us but will live forever in our hearts.

In Thanksgiving: In our cycle of prayer, we pray for these members of our faith community: Maikkel, Mona and Amal Rezk, Avis Robinson, Edward and Estella Salimbay, Jean Sampy and Allison Sapiecha.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

God welcomes us

and invites us to this table. Let us confess our sins,

confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

All we confess that y

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.

Celebrant 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.

All Amen.

Sharing of The Peace

We stand as we are able and greet our neighbours in the peace of Christ.

Celebrant May the peace of Christ always be with you.

All And also with you.

Offertory Hymn

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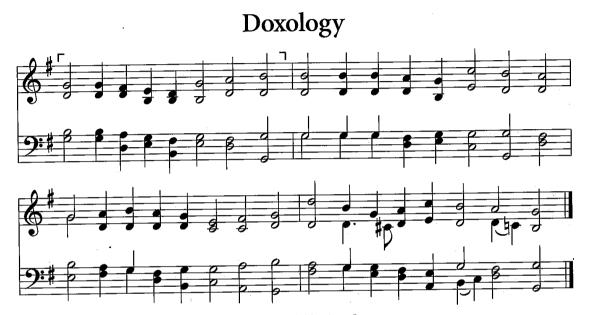




Text: English trad. Music: Melody English trad. (17th cent.?), alt.; arr. John Stainer (1840–1901), alt. Irregular with refrain THE FIRST NOWEL:

The Celebration of the Eucharist Preparation of the Gifts

Representatives of the people present the gifts of bread and wine for the Eucharist (with money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church) to the deacon or celebrant before the altar. Your thoughtful and generous gifts enable our worship and ministry to our world. We thank you.



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken (1637-1710).

The Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant **All** Source of love and life,

receive all we offer you this day, and through the coming of your Son, help us to see in others him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving/Eucharistic Prayer 3 (DoNW)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God,

creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh,

and opened to us the way of salvation.

Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we,

without shame or fear,

may rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you,

joining our voices with angels and archangels and with

all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn

to proclaim the glory of your name.

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of isolation into community, out of death into life On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."
Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All

we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;



Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us to pray, let us sing,

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

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 forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread

to share in the body of Christ

All We, being many, are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

The Communion

Celebrant The Gifts of God, for the people of God.

All Thanks be to God.

All are welcome to receive communion at this table. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the Eucharistic Administrator know if you wish to receive one. Anyone desiring a blessing should fold their arms across their chest after receiving communion, as an indication to the priest.



THE COVENTRY CAROL

(Lullay, Thou Little Tiny Child)

TRADITIONAL







Prayer after Communion

Celebrant God of all the nations of the earth,

All guide us with your light.

Help us to recognize Christ as he comes to us in

this eucharist and in our neighbours.

May we welcome him with love,

for he is Lord now and for ever. Amen.

The Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Joy to the World 154



and heaven and na-ture sing,

Text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

CM with repeat
Music: Melody William Holford, Voce de Melodia, 1835; adapt. George Frideric Handel (1685-1759);

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harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

Dismissal

Deacon **All** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

After each service a Healing Prayer Ministry is available in the Chapel area of the church. The Healing Prayer Ministry is both clergy and lay led. An anointing (a blessing with oil on your forehead) is also offered when the Deacon is present.

Christmas Flower Dedications

Flowers in the Sanctuary were generously donated by members of our parish.

Dedication From

Chris Gilbert Son Clifford, Parents & Sister

Family Barbara Backer

Pam Hope Daphne & Art Hope

Parents Barb Tobias

Bob & Nancy Hardy Gwen Hardy & Helen Craig

Deans Family Gary Deans, Joe Wickie & Hap

Hogan

Dianne McLatchie Charles & Lorraine McLatchie

Margaret Mainwaring **Parents**

Sandra Miller George and Freda Batt, Tom &

Rosemary Ryley

Norma and Jack Curtis &

Brookfield & Friday Families Leanord, Eveleen & Hannah

Brookfield and Fred & Hon Friday

Her Parents Barbara Tobias

Bill and Pat Muir Dorothy Ellen Foley

Gillian and Raymond Lyles Bert & Lin Ardington, Robert

Bolwell

Joan Curtis, Gary Curtis and

Darren Curtis

Jack and Sylvia Vaughan

Ellis & Crundell Parents and two Raf and Margaret Ellis

Brothers

Marthe Duncombe

Doreen Stringer

Anne & Norm Dunne

Along with others