



St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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February 23, 2020 Last Sunday After Epiphany 9:30 am Family Eucharist

Celebrant: The Reverend Patrick Blaney

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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 other electronic devices. 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 9:30 a.m. service:

Celebrant: The Reverend Patrick Blaney

Musician: Galina Martyniouk, piano and organ

Choir Director: Christie Smith
Liturgical Assistant: Kingsley Agyeman
Crucifer & Server: Hazel Breakey

Readers: John Spender, Linda Harrison

Intercessor: Jean Sampy

Eucharistic Administrators: Barb Tobias, Christine Williams

Madeline Cooper, Eileen Spender

Sunday School: Gillian Lyles
Greeter: Raf Ellis
Outreach: Patrick Blaney
Welcome Table: Christie Smith

Flowers in the Sanctuary today have been donated to the glory of God by Pam Hope in loving memory of Arthur and Daphne Hope.

Prelude & Announcements

JESUS CHRIST 619 Fairest Lord Jesus





The Gathering of the Community

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

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

And also with you.

Celebrant A

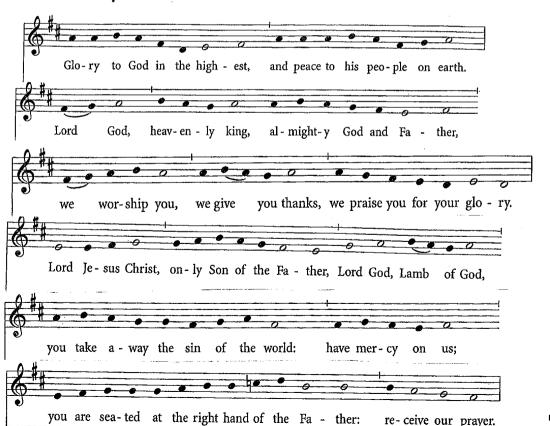
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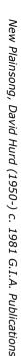
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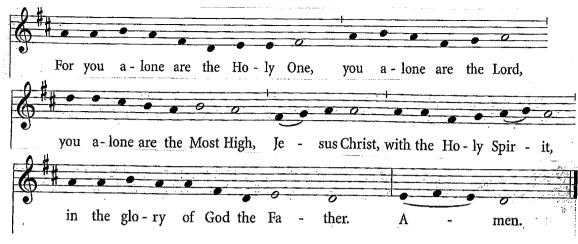
Almighty God,

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;

686 Glory to God







The Collect

Celebrant **All**

Almighty God,

on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Children's Hymn

Traditional Hebrew Arrangement: Jim Strathdee

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



The Proclamation of the Word The First Reading: read by John Spender

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Exodus 24:12-18

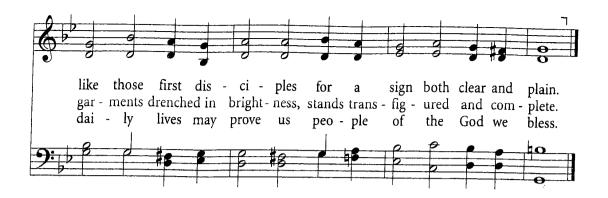
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All Thanks be to God.

166 We Have Come At Christ's Own Bidding







The Second Reading: read by Linda Harrison A reading from the second Letter of Peter.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

2 Peter 1:16-21

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **All Thanks be to God.**

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

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The Gospel — Last Sunday After Epiphany

Liturgical Assistant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Liturgical Assistant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

Matthew 17:1-9

Liturgical Assistant 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 Patrick Blaney

Time for Reflection

Creed

Celebrant **All**

Let us confess the faith of the Church, as we say, I believe in God, Creator of the universe, dwelling within time and space and eternity. I believe in Jesus Christ who came to live among us and let us see what God is like. I believe in the Holy Spirit, sent from God through Jesus to be our guide and comforter. Therefore, I believe in love, in hope, compassion, joy, and faith, and forgiveness, and eternal life.

Frances Somerville

Prayers of the People



The Church: Archbishop Melissa Skelton, Linda Nicholls our Primate, Mark MacDonald the Indigenous Archbishop of Canada and Patrick our Priest. Bishop Brent Alawas, and the Clergy and People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines. St. David, Delta and St. Chad, Vancouver - The Reverend Bill Mok.

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, Elsie, Wilma, Kelly, Jaye E., Elle D., Allison M., George and Margaret, 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., Liam, Juanita C., Galina M., Norm and Anne D.

The Dearly Departed: Frances Thomas.

In Thanksgiving: In our cycle of prayer, we pray for these members of our faith community: Frances Bruce, Ann, Barry, Jessica and Keira Burch, Maureen Butting, Beverley Champion, Marilyn and Tony Chotem.

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

460 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining



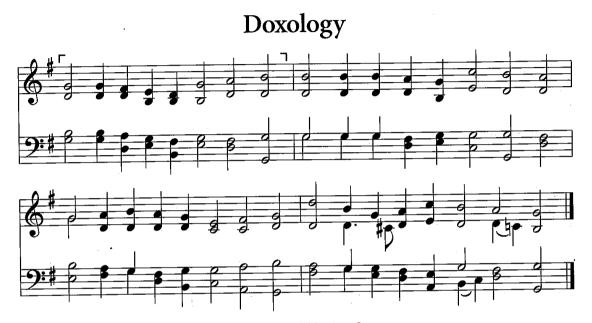
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9 9 10 10 33 with refrain Shine, Jesus, Shine



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

Holy God,

All

receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. The Great Thanksgiving/Eucharistic Prayer 4 (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 It is right to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,

you are worthy of glory and praise.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be:

the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,

and this fragile earth, our island home;

by your will they were created and have their being.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant From the primal elements

you brought forth the human race,

and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;

you made us the stewards of creation.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant But we turn against you, and betray your trust;

and we turn against one another. Again and again you call us to return.

Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son,

born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He was wounded for our transgressions,

and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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." Glory to you for ever and ever.

All

Celebrant

Gracious God,

we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming

as Lord of all the nations.

We who have been redeemed by him,

and made a new people by water and the Spirit,

now bring you these gifts.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

All

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth

and make it your new creation. Gather your Church together

from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,

where peace and justice are revealed,

that we, with all your people,

of every language, race, and nation,

may share the banquet you have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,

all honour and glory are yours,

creator of all.

All Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant

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

All

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 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.

I Come to You





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PRECIOUS LORD

509 Precious Lord, Take My Hand



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.

The Doxology

Celebrant Glory to God,

All 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

256 O God beyond All Praising Unison God be-yond all prais - ing, we wor-ship you to - day of earth - ly splen - dour in time must sure - ly The flower O gra-cious Sav - iour, this song of praise we hear sing. 3 Then. the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not and sing pay; frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to vou our God most high. Mav who know your fa - vour, our hum - ble ser - vice bring: can on - ly won - der at ev - ery gift you send, for hid - den from all na - ture the e - ter - nal seed is sown, but filled with good or and wheth - er our to - mor-rows be merc-ies with-out end: bless-ings with - out num - ber and heav-en's gar - den grown: though small in mor - tal stat - ure, ťο we'll tri-umph through our sor-rows and rise to bless you still:





Dismissal

Liturgical Assistant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Liturgical Assistant Go forth into the world,

rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Our worship is now over, and our service

begins.

All Thanks be to God.

After each service a Healing Prayer Ministry is available in the Chapel area of the church.