

**ST. PAUL ANGLICAN CHURCH NANAIMO**  
**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY – 10:30 AM LIVESTREAM**  
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Meeting on the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation

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## **SERVICE OF THE WORD – 10:30 AM LIVESTREAM**

*This liturgy is based on the  
Anglican Church of Canada **Book of Alternative Services***

### **THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD**

*We commit ourselves to working together in a spirit of reconciliation as we worship and serve on the  
traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation.*

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the Sorensen family  
in memory of Emil Sorensen

Presider/Preacher: The Ven. Clara Plamondon

Organist: Freeman Dryden

Videographer: Charles Freeman

**OPENING HYMN:** CP 341 God of Mercy God of Grace — HEATHLANDS Henry Francis  
Lyte, 1834; Henry Smart, 1867

1. God of mercy, God of grace,  
Show the brightness of your face;  
Shine upon us, Savior, shine,  
Fill your church with light divine;  
And your saving health extend  
Unto earth's remotest end.

3. Let the people praise you, Lord;  
Earth shall then its fruits afford,  
God to us all blessings give,  
We to God devoted live;  
All below and all above  
One in joy and light and love.

2. Let the people praise you, Lord;  
Be by all that live adored;  
Let the nations shout and sing  
Glory to their Savior King;  
At your feet their tribute pay,  
And your holy will obey.

**WELCOME:**

## GATHERING:

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. (*John 1*)

Come with me on a journey in faith. Bring your hopes and visions of a new possibility, for God's work among us is just beginning.

**We are called into a future yet unnamed. We hear the call of Jesus and venture forward, leaving behind our comfort zones and certainties.**

But as we travel light, in the spirit of faith and expectation, we are led by the One who brings to light God's dreams for us and for the world.

**May we be witnesses to God's new tomorrow, and go with confidence, knowing that we never travel alone.**

*(Source: Epiphany 2B | Life in Liturgy (wordpress.com))*

Almighty God,

**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.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY:

**Almighty God, your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

**FIRST READING:** 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM:** Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

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.

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.**

**RESPONSORY:** Incarnation (BAS pg 105)

His salvation is near to those who fear him: \* his glory shall dwell in our land.

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I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

**His glory shall dwell in our land.**

Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**His glory shall dwell in our land.**

Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

**His glory shall dwell in our land.**

Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

**His glory shall dwell in our land.**

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**GOSPEL:** John 1:43-51

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**SERMON:**

*The Ven. Clara Plamondon*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:**

Beloved God,

You know us inside and out and you still call us to serve you. We are often hesitant, afraid, and wish to remain hidden. Empower us to listen for and to hear your call

Empower us to answer your call with "Here I am Lord"

Empower us to follow you when you call us to follow you.

God of mercy and justice,  
So many have gone before us working to bring justice and peace to our world.  
Their footsteps seem too big to step into to continue the work you have called us all to;  
so we hesitantly take one step at a time, bringing your seeds of hope, justice and peace  
in a world crying out for them.  
We answer your call: **Here I am Lord.**

God of hope,  
We pray for our country, our leaders and those who serve the common good. We  
continue to pray for the people and leadership of the United States, seeking healing,  
reconciliation, forgiveness and peace.  
We answer your call: **Here I am Lord.**

God of peace,  
We pray for your compassion and healing for those individuals in our congregation and  
community who are in need. We pray for your comfort and presence for those who are  
grieving, lonely and oppressed. We remember and give thanks for the life of Michael  
Priestly and Emil Sorensen and pray for peace and comfort for their grieving families.

Gracious God we say to you this day, “Here we are your servants willing to proclaim  
your word, offer care where care is needed, presence where presence is needed, your  
love where your love is needed.” Strengthen us for our ministry today and everyday.  
In the name of the Father, Son and the Holy spirit. **Amen.**

— *Based on prayers written by Rev Abi, and posted on her Long and Winding Road blog.  
Reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/12/prayers-of-people-january-15-2012.html>*

## **APOSTLES CREED:**

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

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER:**

In thanksgiving for the gifts that we offer to the glory of God and for our ongoing ministry as a parish, let us pray:

Living God, you have revealed your Son as the Messiah. May we hear his word and follow it, and live as children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**BLESSING:**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**DISMISSAL:**

Let us go in peace.

**We go into the world to walk in God's light,  
to rejoice in God's love and to reflect God's glory. Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:** CP 383 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun — DUKE STREET  
Isaac Watts, 1719; John Hatton, 1793

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Doth its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to  
shore,  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2. People and realms of every tongue  
Dwell on his love with sweetest song,  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on his name.

3. Blessings abound where'er he reigns;  
The prisoners leap to lose their chains;  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all who suffer want are blest.

4. Let every creature rise and bring  
Peculiar honours to our King,  
Angels descend with songs again,  
And earth repeat the loud Amen.