## St. Mary Anglican Church

**Together in Christ, Sharing God's Love** 

# February 28, 2021 **2**nd **Sunday of Lent**



Prelude Lenten Medley

"All Through the Night"

"Land of My Fathers" Both Public Domain hymns

in honour of St. David's Day, March 1

Patron Saint of Wales "Blessed be the Name"

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Postlude "Invention in Bb",

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Celebrant: The Venerable Rev. Alan Naylor Musician: Margaret Nelson

We gather today on the traditional lands of the Nanoose Bay First Nations.

**Prelude** 

Welcome

**Silence** (as we open our minds and hearts in preparation for worship)

## **The Bell Rings**

I do not glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Galatians 6.14

We Gather

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 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.

The Collect of the Day

**Reading from scripture:** Gospel Reading – Mark 8:31-38

Sermon

Contemplative 🎜 / time to reflect

#### **Prayers of the People**

**Shirley Bays** 

#### Confession

Celebrant: The coming of Christ was not,

and still is not, widely welcomed.

Wherever there is light, there will also be darkness:

the darkness of superstitions and rigid beliefs

that keep our hearts and minds closed;

the darkness of arrogance that pretends to be wisdom;

the darkness of evil that hates the light

and tries to smother it;

the darkness of privilege which manifests as apathy.

Let us make our confession -

All: Most holy and loving God,

we admit to you and to one another, that in our foolishness and willfulness, too often we choose darkness over light. Here and now we surrender to you our fears and proud opinions, our short-sightedness, our deep-seated sins and our apathy towards

change and renewal.

Forgive the darkness and pain we inflict on others

and restore the light in our hearts. Trusting in your grace, we pray, "Create in us, O God, a clean heart,

and put a new and loving spirit within us." Through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Amen.

#### The Peace

## The Lord's Prayer

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**

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

