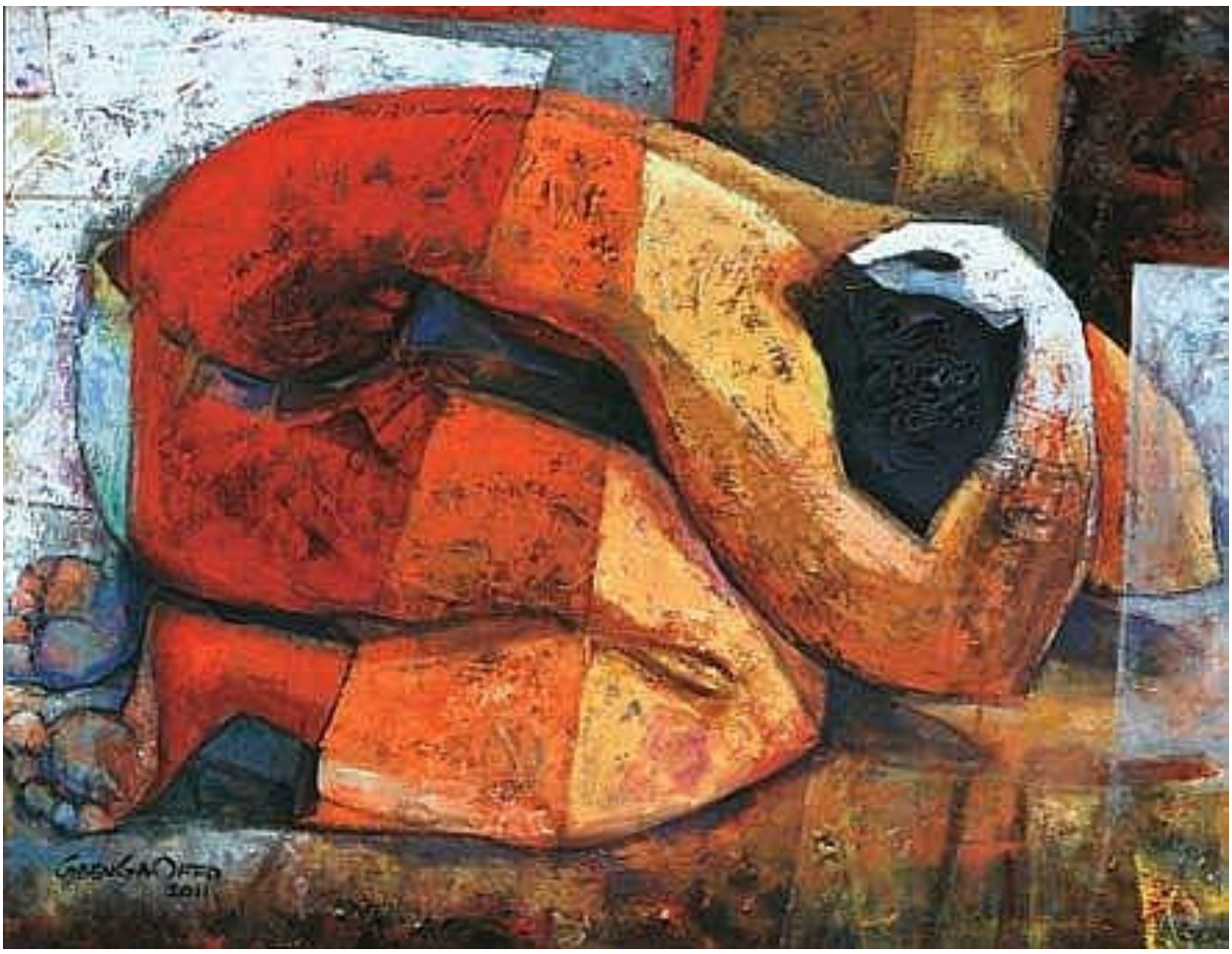
St Catherines CHURCH

FEBRUARY 20, 2022

10 AM FRESH EXPRESSIONS SERVICE

7TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



Presider: Rev. Sharon Smith
Music: Rob Gloor & Singers
Greeters: Tony Dodd & Marion Porter
Altar Guild: Heather Luccock
Coffee Group: Penny Zuk, Roslyn Jackson, Susana Wensley
Reader 1: Janet Johnston
Reader 2: Janet Benjamin
Reflections: Rev Gary & Joy Hamblin
Intercessor: Hugh Crosthwait
Livestream: Sara
Sunday School: Daela Dazell

GATHERING

A Fresh Expression is a form of church for our changing culture, this liturgy is co-created by members of our community in an attempt to incorporate Anglican Spirituality into worship.

Welcome & Intention: Rev Sharon Smith

Presider: Let us take a moment of stillness and remember why we are here.

Presider: We are here because of grace
People: **The grace of Jesus the Christ**
Presider: We are here because of Love
People: **The love of God**
Presider: We are here to be in communion
People: **the communion of the Spirit experienced in relationship.**

Presider: For thousands of years,
indigenous peoples have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality.
We are gathered on the traditional territory of the Squamish and Tsleil Waututh peoples.
All: **We acknowledge their stewardship of this land.**

Presider: We who come from other lands express our gratitude for the blessing of living, working, playing, laughing, and loving on this beautiful land.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Presider: We gather in the name of God,

All: **Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Prayer of the Day: *(by Pat Bennett)*

Presider: Jesus,
you used words so skillfully
to expose hidden patterns
challenge their values and to offer instead
the different patterns and values
of your Kingdom.

All: **Help us to listen with attention**
and speak with skill
in whatever situation we find ourselves
so that we too may reflect and reveal
the patterns and values of your Kingdom.
Amen

Gathering Hymn: Open My Eyes

Open my eyes, Lord
Help me to see your face
Open my eyes, Lord
Help me to see

Open my ears, Lord
Help me to hear your voice
Open my ears, Lord
Help me to hear

Open my heart, Lord
Help me to love like you
Open my heart, Lord
Help me to love

And the first shall be last
And our eyes are opened
And we'll hear like never before
And we'll speak in new ways
And we'll see God's face in places we've never known

I live within you
Deep in your heart, O Love
I live within you
Rest now in me

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Luke 10: 1-9 (First Nations Version)

After this, Creator Sets Free (Jesus) chose seventy men from the ones who walked the road with him.
He sent them out, two by two, to prepare the way for him, in the villages he was about to visit *on his way to the Sacred Village of Peace (Jerusalem).*

He said to them. “There is a great harvest before us, but here are not enough helpers before us, but there are not enough helpers. Pray to the Harvest Chief, so he will send more helpers. Go and represent me. You will be like lambs walking among wolves. Take no money pouch or traveling bundle with you – not even a second pair of moccasins. Waste no time greeting others on the way.

When you lodge with someone, say to them first, “Peace be to this house. If people of peace live there, you will be welcomed. If not, your blessing of peace will return to you as leave. Stay with the ones who welcome you. There is no need to move around from house to house. Share their food and drink with them, for the ones who work hard are worth feeding.

In any village that welcomes you, eat whatever they set before you. Offer healing prayers for any who are sick and say to them. "Creator's good road has come close to you."

Poetic Response: Make me a Channel of Disturbance: The Reverse St. Francis Prayer" *(Author Unknown)*

Lord, make me a channel of disturbance.
Where there is apathy, let me provoke.

Where there is compliance, let me bring questioning:

Where there is silence, may I be a voice.
Where there is too much comfort and too little action,
grant disruption;
Where there are doors closed and hearts locked,
grant the willingness to listen.

When laws dictate and pain is overlooked…
When tradition speaks louder than need…
Grant that I may seek rather to do justice
than to talk about it;

Disturb us, O Lord.
To be with, as well as for, the alienated;
To love the unlovable as well as the lovely;

Lord, make me a channel of disturbance.

Song of Response: Make me a channel of your peace

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your healing power
And where there is doubt true faith in You

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope
Where there is darkness only light
And where there's sadness ever joy

Oh, Spirit grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
It is in giving to all that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life

Second Reading: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus continues to address a crowd of his disciples. He invites his followers to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

[Jesus said:] “But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Reflections: Joy Hamblin and Rev. Gary Hamblin

Silent Reflection:

The community are invited to respond in silent contemplation.

The time ends with the sound of a singing bowl.

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Artist: Jill Wyckoff

PRAYER

Prayers of Concern:
(Adapted Pennacook-Abenaki Prayer)

Leader: O Great Spirit whose voice we hear in the winds
All: And whose breath gives life to the world, hear us;

Leader: I come before you, one of your many children.
All: We are small and weak, we need your strength and wisdom.

Please add a personal prayer silently or aloud.

Leader: O Great Spirit, let us walk in beauty and make our eyes ever behold the red and purple sunsets,

All: make our hands respect the things you have made, Our ears sharp to hear your voice.

Please add a prayer of thanksgiving silently or aloud.

Leader: O Great Spirit, make us wise, so that we may know things you have taught our people,
All: the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock.

Leader: We seek strength not to be superior to our brothers and sisters,
All: but to be able to fight our greatest enemy, ourselves.

Please add a prayer for the relationships that surround you, silently or aloud.

Leader: O Great Spirit, make us ever ready to come to you

All: with clean hands and straight eyes,
so when life fades as a fading sunset,
our spirits may come to you without shame.

The leader adds specific prayers at this time.

Leader: We offer you this confession,

All: Forgive in us what has gone wrong,
Repair in us what is wasted,
Reveal in us what is good,
Amen.

The Light of Peace

A member of the community lights a candle from the Altar light and walks it down the aisle and lights a votive candle at the back of the church.

Lighter: We light this candle in the name of the Creator.
We light this candle in the name of Christ.
We light this candle in the name of the Spirit.

Presider: May the peace of God – Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit be always with you,
and those you love.
People: **And also with you.**

The community are invited to gesture to one another a sign of peace, respecting social distancing. You are invited to light candles for people and places that have no peace.

COMMUNION

Preparing the Table: Instrumental Music

The Eucharistic Prayer: *BAS – Eucharistic Prayer: 4*

Presider:	The Lord be with you.
People:	**And also with you.**
Presider:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	**We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Presider:	It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People:	**Glory to you for ever and ever.**
Presider:	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.
People:	**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: 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.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: 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.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: 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:

Sung Sanctus (St Brides setting)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full
Are full of your glory.

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

Presider*:* 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."

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider: 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.

All: **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.

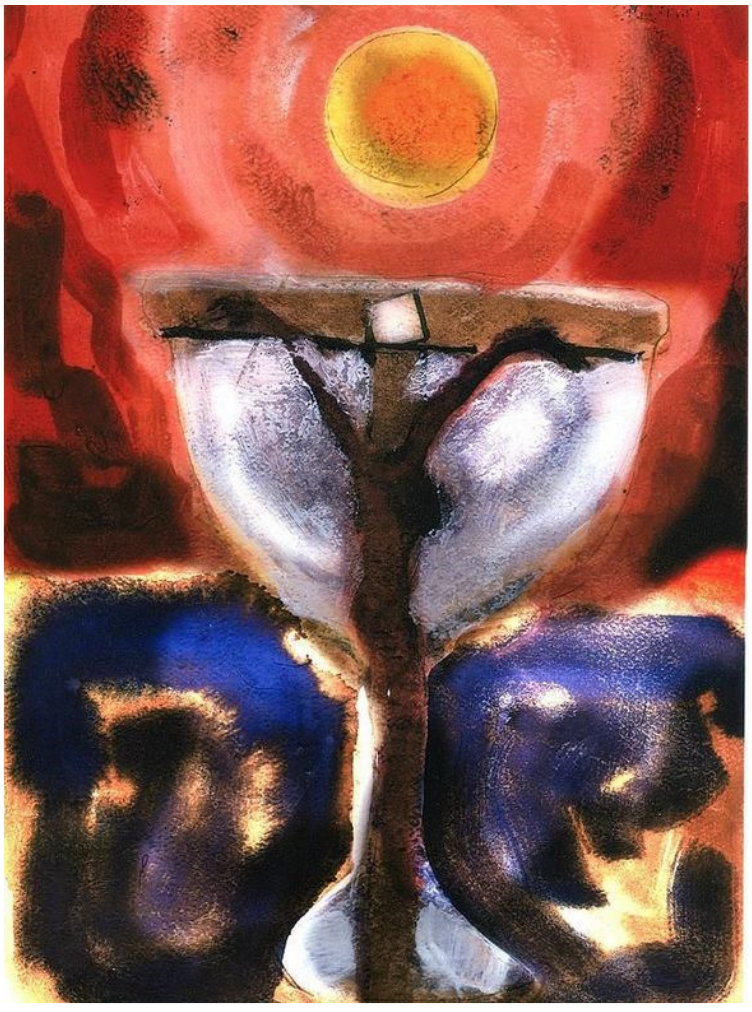
All: **Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation.**
Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised;

Presider: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

People: **Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer *(Sung)*:

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.



Fraction (Breaking of Bread):

Presider: 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.

Invitation to the Table:

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion:

All people are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Wafers). Gluten free wafer are available upon request.
Please wear your mask and sanitize your hands before receiving.

We ask that you wait until you have returned to your seat before removing your mask and consuming the wafer.
While the communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence.
Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

Communion Music:

What does the Lord require of you

What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?

Justice, kindness,
walk humbly with your God.

To seek justice, and love kindness,
and walk humbly with your God.

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

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The Lord now sends us forth
with hands to serve and give,
to make of all the earth
a better place to live. (Repeat)

The angels are not sent
into our world of pain
to do what we were meant
to do in Jesus' name;
that falls to you and me
and all who are made free.
Help us, O Lord, we pray,
to do your will today. (Repeat)

SENDING

Announcements: Rev Sharon

Blessing:

Presider: Support us in the endeavor to do everything with love, remembering that each small act of compassion is woven together into a great tapestry of kindness.

All: **Bless our hands as we offer our gifts in service to your unfolding grace.**

Image from Redeemer Anglican Church

Sending Song: When I receive the peace of Christ

When I receive the peace of Christ
my loneliness shall end:
and I must reach a hand a take
my brother as a friend,
my brother as a friend indeed
who has an honored place
where he may stand before the Lord
in dignity and peace.

When I receive the peace of Christ
my loneliness shall end;
and I must reach a hand and take
my sister as a friend.
my sister as a friend indeed
who has an honored place
where she may stand before the Lord
in dignity and grace.

When I receive the peace of Chris
my loneliness shall end;
and I must reach a hand and take
my own self as a friend,
my own self as a friend indeed
who has an honored place
where I may stand before the Lord
in dignity and grace.

When I receive the peace of Christ
my loneliness shall end:
and I must reach a hand and take
Christ Jesus as a friend
Christ Jesus as a friend indeed
who has an honored place
where now he stands amongst us all
in dignity and grace.

Dismissal: *(Isaiah 60)*

Presider: Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the Glory of the Lord shines upon you.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Artist: Denis Sarazhin

PARISH NEWS

VESTRY (St Catherine's AGM)

Please mark your calendars! We will be gathering in the Gym and on Zoom for morning prayer and our church AGM (Vestry Meeting) on February 27th, 2022.

2021 Vestry Yearbook reports – now available Online: www.saint-catherines.org or pick up at the office

Morning Prayer at 10 am
Feasibility Study Report and Table Conversations 10:20 am
Vestry Motions and Voting 11:30 – 1 pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED – scadmin@shaw.ca

LENT RETREAT (The VITA Retreat)
March 4th & 5th Zoom and at St Catherine's

The Vita Retreat creates an environment for people to reignite their lives of prayer and ministry.

Friday night: 5:30 – 9:30 pm
Saturday: 9:30 - 5:30 pm.

- creative prayer practices,
- time to reflect on experience

"I came to the retreat hoping to deepen my spiritual experience with the Holy Spirit. From the first moments

COFFEE TIME TODAY

In person, in the Lobby & Mary Pellatt room

We are hosting coffee again after the service!!
All participants in coffee hour must be vaccinated.
You are invited to join us following the service in the Lobby, with the option of sitting in the Mary Pellatt room for extended conversation, please be mindful to not crowd any of the spaces and keep them ventilated.
Please be respectful of each other's physical space.
Mask wearing while walking around is mandatory.
When seated, masks can be removed.