

# **Holy Communion**

(The Book of Common Prayer - BCP)



**St Philip by-the-Sea Anglican Church,  
Lantzville, BC**

*“Journeying together in God’s love”*

*Who we are.*

*We are part of the Diocese of British Columbia, which is a member of the Anglican Church of Canada and the world wide Christian Church.*

*We acknowledge with thanksgiving that we gather on the traditional lands of the First Nations Peoples, and especially those of the Snaw-Naw-As people.*

*We join a line of Anglicans who have worshipped on these islands for over 150 years. As we continue, we commit ourselves to a journey of truth and reconciliation between the indigenous peoples of this land and the non-native peoples of Canada.*

*We are committed to creating and maintaining a safe community in every respect including our ministry with vulnerable persons such as children, seniors and persons with special challenges.*

*We welcome everyone, regardless of language, race or sexuality, into a Christian community whose core values are love, respect, kindness and generosity.*

*If you are new here today, please make yourself known to the minister taking the service. We would love to get to know you better.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*(Please stand, as you are able)*

### **The Collect for Purity**

**All:        Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be  
              open, all desires known, and from whom  
no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our  
hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that  
we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify  
thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Summary of the Law**

**Celebrant:    Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel,  
                  The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt  
love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy  
soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This  
is the first and great commandment. And the second is like  
unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these  
two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.**

**All:                Lord have mercy upon us, and write  
                      both these thy laws in our hearts, we  
                      beseech thee.**

**Celebrant:    Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**All:                Christ have mercy upon us.**

**Celebrant:    Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Celebrant:    The Lord be with you.**

**All:                And with thy spirit.**

**Celebrant:    Let us pray.**

**Collect for the Day** *(please see the Bulletin)*

*(Please sit)*

**The Readings**

**The First Reading**

*(Response at the end of the Reading)*

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm** *(please see the Bulletin)*

**The Second Reading**

*(Response at the end of the Reading)*

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand, as you are able, for the Reading of the Gospel and the Creed which follows)*

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to { N }

**All: Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

*(At the conclusion of the Reading)*

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ

**All: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## **The Creed**

**All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things  
visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus  
Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of  
the Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of  
Light; Very God of Very God; begotten, not made;  
being of one substance with the Father, through  
whom all things were made; who for us and for  
our salvation came down from heaven, and was  
incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man, and was crucified also for us  
under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried,  
And the third day He rose again according to the  
Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth  
on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come  
again with glory to judge both the quick and the  
dead: whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the  
Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and  
the Son, who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the  
Prophets.**

**And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic  
Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the  
remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection  
of the dead, and the Life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

*(Please sit)*

## **The Sermon**

### **The Offertory** *(please see the Bulletin)*

*The Bread and Wine are prepared for Communion.  
When the table is prepared and the offering presented the  
following prayer of thanksgiving will be said:*

Celebrant: Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever  
and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the  
earth is thine.

**All: All things come of thee, and of thine  
own have we given thee.**

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

Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

Let us pray for peace on earth and for the unity of all  
Christian people.

Let us pray for our missionaries at home and  
abroad.

Let us remember before God those of our brethren who  
have departed this life and are at rest.

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church  
Militant here in earth.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy  
Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and  
supplications, and to give thanks, for all people: we  
humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our  
alms and oblations and to receive these our prayers,

which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: and grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant Charles our King, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Anna our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: and to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness,

or any other adversity.

We remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

### **The Confession**

Celebrant: Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

All: **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word and deed, against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily**



**sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Absolution**

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Comfortable Words**

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St Matthew 11.28.*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. *St John 3.16.*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be

received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1.15.*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 St John 2.1,2.*

*(Please stand, as you are able)*

### **Thanksgiving and Consecration**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you;

**All: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts;

**All: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

*(If there is a Proper Preface to be inserted here, the words will be indicated in the Bulletin)*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of  
the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; who, in the same night that He was betrayed, took Bread; and, when He had given thanks, He broke it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper He took the Cup; and, when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we

thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which He hath commanded; and we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; and we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

### **The Peace**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you;

All: **And with thy spirit.**

*(Please sit)*

### **The Prayer of Humble Access**

All: **We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own**

**righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

### **The Communion**

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, either standing or kneeling at the step at the front of the church (for those unable to come forward, Communion will be brought to your seat.) All are welcome to receive both the Bread and the Wine, or in one kind only, if that is preferred or by custom. Note that dipping the bread into the wine is not recommended, for health considerations.*

*After the Priest and Communion Assistant have received first, the Bread and Wine will be offered, in order, with these or similar words:*

**The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.**

**The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting**

life: drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: 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 them that 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.**

### **The Post-Communion Prayer**

Celebrant: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

**All: And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are**

**unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.**

*(Please stand, as you are able)*

### **The Gloria**

**All: Glory be to God on high, and in earth  
peace, good will towards all. We praise  
thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify  
thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O  
Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father  
Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus  
Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the  
Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have  
mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of  
the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at  
the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon  
us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, art most  
high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Blessing.**

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passeth all  
understanding, keep your hearts and minds in  
the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ  
our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,  
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain  
with you always. **Amen.**