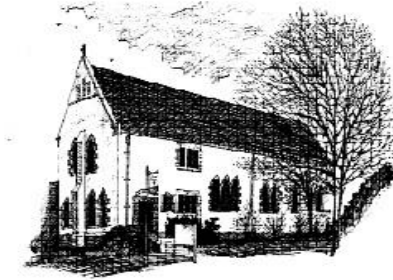


ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY
February 11, 2024



Meeting on the traditional lands of the Snuneymuxw First Nation

HOLY EUCHARIST – 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic liturgy for the Islands and Inlets

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.*

Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Susan Hermanson

Deacon: The Rev. Helen Lingham

Liturgical Assistant: Mary Jane McLaughlin

Music Director: Charles Harman/Organist: Freeman Dryden

Assistant Livestream Tech: Graham Adams

Readers: Barbara Clarke, Rick Ackerman

Prayers of the People: Julia Roberts

Greeters: Margaret Constable, Kathy McRae

Duty Warden: Heather Lester

WELCOME (& ANNOUNCEMENTS): *(you may remain seated during the welcome)*

OPENING HYMN: CP 169 Jesus On the Mountain Peak

Brian Wren, 1977 ST.ALBINUS [239] — H.J.Gauntlett, 1866

1. Jesus, on the mountain peak
stands alone in glory blazing.
Let us, if we dare to speak,
join the saints
and angels praising: alleluia!

2. Trembling at his feet we saw
Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the law
shout through them
their joyful greeting: alleluia!

3. Swift the cloud of glory came,
God, proclaiming in its thunder,
Jesus as the Son by name!
Nations, cry
aloud in wonder: alleluia!

4. Jesus is the chosen One,
living hope of every nation.
Hear and heed him, everyone;
sing with earth
and all creation: alleluia!

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD:

In this time and place

We gather on the ancestral lands of Kwakwaka'wakw, Nuu-chah-nulth and Coast Salish peoples.

From many places and peoples we come to this house in prayer.

In this time and place

We are not alone for we meet in the presence of the living God.

For we meet in the presence of the living God.

In this time and place

We are not alone for the Risen Jesus stands in our midst

The Risen Jesus stands in our midst.

In this time and space

We are not alone for the wind of the Spirit moves in and through us.

The wind of the Spirit moves in and through us.

In this time and in this space

We are not alone for we gather with the whole company of heaven,

In this time and in this space heaven and earth are one.

In this time and in this space heaven and earth are one.

In this time and place

Together, one people in Jesus Christ.

In the name of God, Creator, Saviour and Holy Spirit. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

CP 376 (x3)

CENTERING STILLNESS

Let us hold this moment open to the Spirit of God

(silence)

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

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

THE STORY OF FAITH IS PROCLAIMED

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 50:1-6

Cantor/L.A.



SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

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

GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL: *CP 710 (x3)*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

God be with you.

And also with you.

The Good News of Jesus according to Mark.
Glory to you, Jesus Christ

GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-9

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL RECESSIONAL: *CP 710 (x3)*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

SERMON:

The Rev. Susan Hermanson

ANTHEM: "Christ, Upon the Mountain Stands" (13871)

Music: R. Lehman Text: M. Schweizer

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that God is present in the darkness before the dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands,
conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over the barbed wire.
We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.
We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place:
into action, into vulnerability and into the streets.**

**We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves on the line;
to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation;
to stand with those on the edge; to choose life and be used by the Spirit
for God's new community of hope. Amen**

From Iona Worship Book

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to the table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

L.A. Most merciful God, **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.**

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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE:

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

THE SACRED MEAL IS SHARED

OFFERTORY HYMN: CP 167 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

J. A. Robinson, 1923 CARLISLE — Charles Lockhart, 1805

1. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!	shine with unborrowed light.
Thy glory fills the night;	
thy face and garments, like the sun,	2. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,

thy beauty to behold,
where Moses and Elijah stand,
thy messengers of old.

3. Fulfiller of the past,
promise of things to be,
we hail thy body glorified,
and our redemption see!

4. Before we taste of death,
we see thy kingdom come:

O might we hold the vision bright
and make this hill our home!

5. 'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Yet we may not remain;
but, since thou bidst us leave the mount,
come with us to the plain.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:

**Holy God, 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: (IL 3)

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Open your hearts.

We open to the fullness of God.

Feast at the banquet
prepared from the foundations of the world.

We come, O Christ, in thanks and praise.

Holy and eternal One
in whom we live and move and have our being
our origin and our fulfillment
we praise and thank you for drawing us to this sacred meal.

From the ocean of your primal love
you fashioned the marvel of creation
and beauty of human life.

From this land of towering forests, mist laden coastlines,
the rhythms of the tidal seas, storm and stillness

you humble us to affirm the sacred gift of all creation
and our stewardship for everything given and received.

Glory to you, source of all life!

From the earliest days the peoples of these islands learned their
dependence on your provision
salmon and whale, elk and bear,
and through song and ceremony, dance and painted cedar,
hallowed these sacred relationships with all life.

Glory to you, source of all life!

In Jesus Christ, you came into our world
to reveal your glory, reconcile all peoples to yourself
and make all things new in him.

Now, gathered from many places,
in faith, that is known to you alone,
with a heart set on the pilgrim way

we bring this bread and wine
yearning for the nourishment of your Spirit
and the fullness you promise in Jesus.

Glory to you, source of all life!

Joining then with the saints of every time and place
from these islands shaped by surging tides, wind and salt
we raise our thankful voices in songs of unending praise.

**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.**

CP 719

Blessed are you, most holy One, in Jesus:
who on that night before he died

took bread and gave you thanks.
Jesus broke it, gave it to all gathered, and said:
“Take this and eat it,
this is my body which is given for you.”

Do this, and know I am with you to the end of the age.

After supper, he took the cup,
gave you thanks, and gave it to them saying:
“Drink this all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant”

Do this, and know I am with you to the end of the age.

Therefore, God of all creation
we lift this Bread of Life, and this Cup of Salvation.

Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts, and upon us
that we may know Jesus in the breaking of the bread
and follow him in lives of selfless service and courageous love.

Glory to you, source of all life!

In the fullness of time reconcile all things in Christ
and bring us to that heavenly table
where we will feast anew and every tear will be wiped away.

Blessing, praise and thanksgiving be to you,
O Holy and Eternal One
Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit
One God, now and forever.

Glory to you, source of all life! Hallelujah!

THE LORD’S PRAYER:

David Haas

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

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 for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD:

He whose table was open to all is now present in this bread.
He whose word welcomed friend and stranger
offers friendship through this cup.

**With people everywhere, we affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity,
planted more deeply than all that is wrong.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

COMMUNION:

All are welcome to join us for communion. Our practice is to share the wine from a common cup.

For health reasons you are asked not to dip the bread wafer into the wine.

If you prefer, you may receive just bread. If you are gluten free, please ask for a gluten free wafer.

*If you do not wish to receive communion, cross your arms in front of you to indicate to the clergy that you
would like a blessing instead. We are happy to come to your seat to serve communion
if you are unable to come forward – do let the greeter know.*

COMMUNION HYMN: (Lyrics are in the Blue Common Praise Hymnal)

CP 060 I Come With Joy — *Brian Wren, 1971 LAND OF REST — trad. American*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

Let us pray,

**Holy God, 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.**

**Glory to God, 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

SENDING HYMN: CP 384 Praise to the Lord the Almighty - *Joachim Neander, 1670,*
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1868 *LOBE DEN HERREN* — *Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665*

1. Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty,
the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him,
for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear,
brothers and sisters draw near,
praise him in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things
so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings,
yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen
how thy entreaties have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work
and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy
here daily attend thee:
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,

if with his love he befriend thee.

4. Praise to the Lord,
who, when tempests
their warfare are waging,
who, when the elements madly
around thee are raging,
biddeth them cease,
turneth their fury to peace,
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

5. Praise to the Lord,
who when darkness of sin
is abounding,
who when the godless do triumph,
all virtue confounding,
sheddeth his light,
chaseth the horrors of night,
saints with his mercy surrounding.

6. Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me
adore him!
All that hath life and breath
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
gladly for aye we adore him.

SENDING FORTH:

Go into the world that God so loves.
We go bearing the light of Christ.