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# St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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***March 3, 2024***

***Third Sunday in Lent***

***10:00 a.m. Family Eucharist***

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Patrick Blaney*

***St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church***

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# WELCOME

*We are glad you have joined us for worship this morning. We ask that you please turn all cell phones and other electronic devices to silent or "off".*

*After the service, we invite newcomers (and others!) to visit our Welcome Table downstairs in the Lounge. This is a place where you can learn more about the various activities and groups here at St. John's, find contact information, ways to get involved and have fun!*

## **Ministering today at our 10:00 a.m. service:**

<i>Celebrant:</i>	<i>The Reverend Patrick Blaney</i>
<i>Liturgical Assistant:</i>	<i>Kingsley Agyeman</i>
<i>Preacher:</i>	<i>The Reverend Patrick Blaney</i>
<i>Crucifer and Server:</i>	<i>Hazel Breakey</i>
<i>Music Director</i>	<i>Galina Martyniuk (Piano, Organ)</i>
<i>Choir Director:</i>	<i>Christie Smith</i>
<i>Readers:</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Intercessor:</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Eucharistic Administrators:</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Welcome Table:</i>	<i>Diane Johnson</i>

**Flowers in the Sanctuary today** The 2024 Flower Calendar is in the Narthex. Please sign up for the Sunday that you would like to donate Altar Flowers. Thank you.

**Offertory Plate sits at the back of the church:** Your thoughtful and generous gifts to St. John's enable our worship and ministry to our world. One-time or recurring donations can be made by visiting our website [www.stjohnnv.ca](http://www.stjohnnv.ca), or by scanning this QR code on your smartphone.



## **Prelude & Announcements**



## ***Territorial Acknowledgement***

Celebrant            The community of St. John's acknowledges that we live, work and worship on the ancestral and unceded land of the Coast Salish Peoples: The Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh Nations. May the reconciling love of Christ be reflected in our words and in our actions.

## ***The Gathering of the Community***

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 are 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***

Celebrant  
All

Father of mercy,  
**alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

## ***The Proclamation of the Word***

***The First Reading:*** Read by TBA.

A reading from the book of Exodus.

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Exodus 20:1–17

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**All    Thanks be to God.**

***Psalm 19***

Please remain seated for the singing of the Psalm together.



**The Second Reading:** Read by TBA.

A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.’

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

1 Corinthians 1:18–25

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn** *Before the reading of the Gospel, the first half of the Gradual Hymn is sung, All stand for the Gospel.*

## The Gospel — Third Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Assistant

The Lord be with you.

**All**

**And also with you.**

Liturgical Assistant

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.

**All**

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

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

John 2:13-22

Liturgical Assistant

The Gospel of Christ.

**All**

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

*At the conclusion of the Gospel, the second half of the Gradual hymn is sung.*

## **Sermon**

*The Reverend Patrick Blaney*

## **Time for Reflection**

## ***The Apostles' Creed***

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

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

*Please take whatever position is best for you for prayer.*

**The Church** Archbishop Lynne McNaughton our Metropolitan, Bishop John Stephens, Linda Nicholls our Primate. We pray for Archbishop Christopher Harper, National Indigenous Anglican Archbishop and Presiding Elder of the Sacred Circle. Also, we pray for Patrick our Priest. For Jill in her discernment, work and studies to become an Anglican Priest. Primate Brent Alawas, Bishop Benny Lang-akan and the Clergy and People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines. Our companion parish, St John the Evangelist Mission and Outstations, Pasnadan, The Reverend Tristan Bati-el. The Archdeacons: The Venerable Kevin Hunt (Burrard), The Venerable Stephanie Shepard (Granville), The Venerable Andrew Halladay (Lougheed), The Venerable Stephen Muir (Capilano), The Venerable Luisito Engnan (Fraser), The Venerable Ruth Monette (Westminster), The Venerable Peggy Trendell-Jensen, Archdeacon for Deacons The Venerable Philippa Pride, (Vancouver) Executive Archdeacon. The Venerable Nick Pang, Special Assistant to the Bishop/Diocesan Archdeacon.

**The Local Community:** City & District of North Vancouver, Queen Mary Community School.

**The World:** *O God the Holy Ghost*

*Who art light unto thine elect*

*Evermore enlighten us.*

*Thou who art fire of love*

*Evermore enkindle us.*

*Thou who art Lord and Giver of Life,*

*Evermore live in us.*

*Thou who bestowest sevenfold grace,*

*Evermore replenish us.*

*As the wind is thy symbol,*

*So forward our goings.*

*As the dove, so launch us heavenwards.*

*As water, so purify our spirits.*

*As a cloud, so abate our temptations.*

*As dew, so revive our languor.*

*As fire, so purge our dross*

*Christina Rossetti (AD 1830-1894)*

**Those in Need:** For those who are sick, hospitalized and in need of our prayers. This week, our prayers are requested especially for these members and friends of our St. John's faith community: John & Pat Riddell, Andy & Raili Mazurek, John and Lynne Shozowa, Laurie Stringer, Ann Burch, Mir and his family.

**The Dearly Departed:** Those we no longer see, but they live forever in our hearts.

**In Thanksgiving:** In our cycle of prayer, we pray for these members of our faith community: Raili Mazurek, Dianne McLatchie, Yvonne Michael, Sandra Miller, Maria Morellato, Bill & Pat Muir.

## ***Confession and Absolution***

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

*Silence is kept.*

Celebrant            Most merciful God,  
**All                    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.**

Celebrant            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.  
**All                    Amen.**

## ***Sharing of The Peace***

*We stand as we are able and greet our neighbours in the peace of Christ.*

Celebrant            May the peace of Christ always be with you.  
**All                    And also with you.**





# ***The Celebration of the Eucharist***

## ***Preparation of the Gifts***

*Representatives of the people present the gifts of bread and wine for the Eucharist (with money and other gifts for the needs and responsibilities of the Church) to the celebrant before the altar. Your thoughtful and generous gifts enable our worship and ministry to our world. We thank you.*

## ***Doxology***

<b>All</b>	<b>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.</b>
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## ***The Prayer Over the Gifts***

Celebrant	Gracious God,
<b>All</b>	<b>we know your power to triumph over weakness. May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another, in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.</b>

## ***The Great Thanksgiving/Eucharistic Prayer 4 (DoNW)***

Celebrant            The Lord be with you.

**All                    And also with you.**

Celebrant            Lift up your hearts.

**All                    We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All                    It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant            It is right to give you thanks and praise,  
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,  
you are worthy of glory and praise.

**All                    Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant            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.

**All                    Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant            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.

**All                    Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant            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.

**All                    Glory to you for ever and ever.**



Celebrant

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.  
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**

Celebrant

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;  
through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,  
all honour and glory are yours,  
creator of all.

**All**

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

Celebrant	As our Saviour taught us to pray, let us sing,
<b>All</b>	<b>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.</b>

### ***The Breaking of the Bread***

Celebrant	We break this bread,
<b>All</b>	<b>Communion in Christ's body once broken.</b>

Celebrant	Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying. All If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.
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### ***The Communion***

Priest	The Gifts of God, for the people of God.
<b>People</b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

*All who love God and desire Christ are welcome to receive communion. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please let the Eucharistic Administrator know if you wish to receive one. Please note intinction, (dipping the bread into the wine), is not permitted.*

***Communion Hymns***







## ***Prayer after Communion***

Celebrant            God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**All                    may we who share this sacrament**  
**live together in unity and peace,**  
**in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

## ***The Doxology***

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.**

## ***The Blessing***



## ***Dismissal***

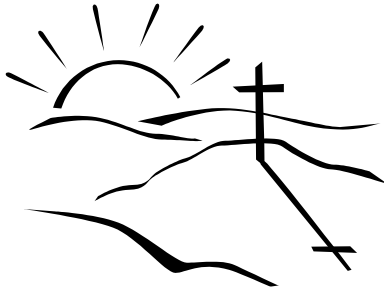
Priest

*Words of Dismissal*

**People**

**Thanks be to God.**

*Postlude, for those who wish to remain*



Please do join us downstairs in the Lounge for our tea and coffee fellowship.