



# St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church

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Fifth Sunday in Lent
10:00 a.m. Family Eucharist
Book of Common Prayer Service

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:

Celebrant: The Reverend Patrick Blaney

Liturgical Assistant: Jill Parsons

Preacher: The Reverend Patrick Blaney

Crucifer and Server: Hazel Breakey

Music Director Galina Martyniouk (Piano, Organ)

Choir Director: Christie Smith

Readers: Janet Harris, Bob Hardy

Intercessor: Alison Brookfield

Eucharistic Administrators: Jill Parsons, Alison Brookfield

Welcome Table: Christie Smith

**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, or by scanning this QR code on your smartphone. Contact Bev Provost or the church office for personal offertory envelopes

### Prelude & Announcements

or other donation information.

# Territorial Acknowledgement

Priest

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 Tsleil-Waututh Nations. May the reconciling love of Christ be reflected in our words and in our actions.

# The Gathering of the Community

Priest **People** 

The Lord be with you; **And with thy spirit.** 

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.

Priest

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.

People (sing)

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

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### The Collect

Priest Most merciful God,

People by the death and resurrection

of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew.

May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him 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 Janet Harris. A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Priest The word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.** 

# Psalm 51: 1-13 Please remain seated for the reading of the Psalm together.

To the leader. A Psalm of David, when the prophet Nathan came to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba. Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement. Indeed, I was born quilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

Liturgical Assistant

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one

God.

All

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

**The Second Reading:** Read by Bob Hardy. A reading from The Letter of Paul to the Hebrews.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 5:5-10

Priest The word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.** 

**Gradual Hymn** Before the reading of the Gospel, the first half of the Gradual Hymn is sung, Please stand for the Gospel if you are able.

## The Gospel - Fifth Sunday in Lent

Liturgical Assistant The Lord be with you. **People**And with thy spirit.

Liturgical Assistant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according

to John.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

John 12:20-33

Liturgical Assistant The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise be to thee, O 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 Nicene Creed

Priest I believe in one God,

People 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 humans and for our salvation

came down from heaven,

And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin

Mary, And was made human,

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 Ghost, 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.

# 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. St. George, Maple Ridge. The Reverend David Edgerton, The Reverend Melody Pearson St. George, Fort Langley. The Venerable Kelly Duncan, The Reverend Eileen Nurse, The Reverend Karen Saunders. The Street Outreach Initiative. The Reverend Matthew Johnson

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

**The World:** Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

**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: The Sampson Family, John & Pat Riddell, Raili Mazurek, John and Lynne Shozawa, Laurie Stringer, Ann Burch, Mir and his family.Nov 26

**The Dearly Departed:** Andy Mazurek and 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: Avis Robinson, Edward & Estrella Salimbay, Alison &Rob Sapiecha, Ken & Pam Seely, John & Lynne Shozawa, Christie Smith, John & Eileen Spender.

#### The Confession

**Priest** 

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 holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

**People** 

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.

Priest

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.

# Sharing of The Peace

All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

The members of the community may greet each other in the name of the Lord. (Please respect social distancing)

# This Day God Gives Me Strength



- 2. This day God sends me strength as my steersman, might to uphold me, wisdom as guide. Your eyes are watchful, your ears are listening, your lips are speaking, friend at my side.
- 3. God's way is my way,
  God's shield is round me,
  God's host defends me,
  saving from ill;
  angels of heaven,
  drive from me always
  all that would harm me,
  stand by me still.

4. Rising I thank you, mighty and strong one, King of creation, giver of rest, firmly confessing threeness of Persons, oneness of Godhead, Trinity Blest.

adapted from the 8<sup>th</sup> Century Irish by Fr. James Quinn SM

### 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.

# The Doxology

People 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.

## The Prayer Over the Gifts

Priest Eternal God,

People your only Son suffered death upon the cross

to bring the world salvation.

Accept the praise and thanksgiving

we offer you this day,

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

# Eucharistic Prayer (BCP)

Priest The Lord be with you;

**People**Priest
And with thy spirit.
Lift up your hearts;

Tiest Lift up your fleatts,

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

People It is meet and right so to do.

Priest 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. Through Jesus Christ

our Lord, according to whose most true promise thou dost

pour forth thy Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth: who dost give us power to

proclaim the gospel to all nations and to serve thee as a

royal priesthood.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the

company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious

Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

People 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.

#### Priest

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."

#### Priest

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.

### **People**

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy peace.

# The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,

All Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Celebrant Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying. AllIf we have died with him,

we shall live with him;

if we hold firm,

we shall reign with him.

### The Communion

Priest The Gifts of God, for the people of God.

People Thanks be to God.

# The Lord's Prayer

Priest And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are

bold to say:

People 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,

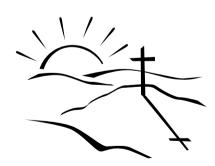
But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

# The 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.