



***Welcome to the parish of
St. Philip by-the-Sea, Lantzville B.C.***

Sunday December 28th, 2025

1st Sunday after Christmas

**9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist
(Book of Alternative Services)**

Opening Sentence

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. *Colossians 3:15, 16*

The Gathering Hymn CP # 118 O Come All Ye Faithful
(vv. 1-4)

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah *(Ch. 63:7-9)*

Psalm 148

REFRAIN Alleluia.

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights. Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars. **R.**

Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens. Let them praise the name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created. He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

REFRAIN Alleluia.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps; Fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will; Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds; **R.**

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world; Young men and maidens, old and young together. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven. He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. **Hallelujah!**

The Second Reading

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews *(Ch. 2:10-18)*

The Gradual Hymn CP # 371 To God Be the Glory

The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. *(Ch. 2:13-23)*

The Offertory Hymn CP#122 In the Bleak Midwinter

Prayer over the Gifts

God of light, in the birth of your Son we see your glory. May we who share in this mystery grow daily in your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Proper Preface *(followed by the singing of the Sanctus)*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give knowledge of salvation in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Now with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Hymns during Communion

CP#123 Once In Royal David's City

CP#126 Away In A Manager

Prayer after Communion

Source of truth and joy, may we who have received the gift of divine life always follow the way of your Son. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Recessional Hymn CP#139 The First Nowell (vv. 1-4 only)

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***The flowers on the Altar are to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Marion Lawrence and Jean
Brade, parents of Rose-Ellen and Leo Lawrence.***

With special thanks to:

- *Rev. Leslie Flynn for celebrating the Eucharist with us this morning.*
- *Louise Cianflone for her music leadership.*
- *Doug Sowden, Williams Family, Leo Lawrence, David Wilson, Maureen Lawrence and Roberta Peterson, who served as greeter, reader, communion assistant, prayer leader, and counters.*

*Your leadership, support and example are greatly valued and appreciated. **THANK YOU!***

Announcements

2026 Flowers for the Altar – calendar available for sign up

Jan 4th: An invitation from Rev. Rosemary - Killian is turning one and he wants to celebrate with you all. We would love you to join us for celebrating and blessing our Killian on his first birthday on January 4th at St Philip's by-the-Sea Church. We will gather following the church service in the hall for brunch / appetizers. All are heartily invited.

Jan 8th: Ladies Meeting – 1:30 pm – Multipurpose Room

Jan 8th: Parish Council Meeting – 7pm

Jan 15th: Men's Breakfast – 8:30am – Country Grocer Café
Bowen Rd

***In the Worldwide Anglican Community, we pray for:
The Anglican Church of Canada.***

***In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for:
Chaplains and Chaplaincies.***

This week in our Parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we pray for: Liz Wiley, Barb and Trefor Williams, Bryce, Tammy, Reid and Robert Williams, Cheryl and David Wilson, Michael and Patricia Wimmer, and for all their families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the world.

UPCOMING SERVICE REMINDERS

Sunday, January 4th, 2026, 9:30am

2nd Sunday after Christmas

Service of Morning Prayer (BCP)

Service Leader: David Wilson

Sunday, January 11th, 2026, 9:30am

Baptism of the Lord

Service of Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Celebrant: Caleb Lawrence