



Saint Helen's
Anglican Church

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026
10 AM
Holy Eucharist



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*We welcome everyone worshipping with us today whether in person or online. www.sthelensurrey.ca
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The Gathering of the Community

Words of Welcome and Acknowledgment

We give thanks that we live, work, play, and worship on the traditional and unceded territory of the Coast Salish peoples including the Katzee, Tsawwassen, Semiahmoo and Kwantlen Nations. May our words and our actions reflect our awareness and appreciation of this.

Introit Hymn: CP 385 Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

The Gathering of the Community

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.
And also with you.

Children's Focus

Gloria: CP 366

**Glory in the highest glory, peace to all, in all their days.
Worship, thanks, and praise unceasing to the source of all we raise:
reigning in the sapphire height, hidden from our mortal sight,
now receive our adoration, as we make our supplication.**

**Jesus Christ, the world's redeemer, Lamb of God, for sinners given,
Word eternal, born of Mary, Word made flesh, the face of heaven:
holy one, to you we pray, hear us in the realms of day,
with the Spirit there united, and the God-head high exulted.**

Kyrie Confessions

God be gracious to us and bless us,
and make your face shine upon us:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May your ways be known on the earth,
your saving power among the nations:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect

Almighty God,

**your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world.**

May your people,

illumined by your word and sacraments,

shine with the radiance of his glory,

**that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;**

**who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 49: 1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah,

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Listen to what the spirit is saying to the Church

Thanks be to God

Psalm 40: 1-12

I waited patiently upon the Lord; he stooped to me and heard my cry.

**He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.**

**He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.**

Happy are they who trust in the Lord! they do not resort to evil spirits or
turn to false gods. Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
How great your wonders and your plans for us
there is none who can be compared with you.

**Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!
but they are more than I can count.**

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure (you have given me ears to
hear you).

**Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, and so I said,
"Behold, I come."**

In the roll of the book, it is written concerning me: 'I love to do your will,
O my God; your law is deep in my heart.'

**I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; behold,
I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.**

Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

**You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.**

Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: CP 438 O Jesus, I have Promised

Gospel: John 1 :29-42

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

The next day John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the

Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of Christ
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Homily:

The Reverend Dr. Robin Ruder-Celiz

Affirmation of Faith

Please rise as you are able

Let us declare our faith in God:
**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,**

and fills us with his love.

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God.
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution

The grace of God has dawned upon the world
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.
Let us confess our sins.

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

Please rise as you are able

Christ is our peace.
If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.
The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: CP 82: Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises

Prayers over the Gifts

Congregation remains standing

Living God,
you have revealed your Son as the Messiah.
May we hear his word and follow it,
and live as children of light.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God,
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:
for at this time we celebrate your glory
made present in our midst.

In the coming of the magi
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.

In the waters of baptism
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,
the Saviour sent to redeem us.

In the water made wine
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.

Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of 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.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you 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.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Lord, by your cross and resurrection

you have set us free.

You are the Saviour of the world.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of St. Helen and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God, as our Saviour taught us, so we 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 Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God

Please proceed to the altar for communion as directed. Communion is offered in both bread and wine. If you only wish to receive the bread, you may touch the base of the chalice or give a slight bow in reverence to the Sacrament after receiving the bread.

Prayer after Communion

Please Stand as you are able

**God of glory,
you nourish us with bread from heaven.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit,
that through us your light may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Doxology

**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.**

Community Announcements

The Blessing

**Christ our Lord, to whom kings bowed down in worship and offered gifts,
reveal to you his glory and pour upon you the riches of his grace;**

and the blessing ...

Sending Hymn: CP 5 Christ Whose Glory fills the Skies

Dismissal

One in heart and one in mind,
and empowered by the Spirit,
go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Notices and Prayer List for the week beginning January 18, 2026

The flowers at the altar this morning are given to the glory of God

We pray for the whole Anglican Church of Canada – we pray especially for the primate, Archbishop Shane Parker.

Anglican Communion – we pray for the church of the Province D’ Enlisse Anglicane du Congo

In our Diocesan Cycle: We pray for Rt. Rev’d. John Stephens, Archbishop, Robin our Rector, and Stephen our Deacon. We also pray for Archdeacon Nick Pang, (Vancouver) Executive Archdeacon ; St. John the Apostle, Port Moody - The Revd Vivian Lam, The Revd Anne Anchor; St. Matthew, Abbotsford - The Revd James Hwang.

We pray for our companion diocese of Northern Philippines. We pray for our own twinned parish of Holy Apostles, Abatan, and their priest, Father Joey Napat-a.

In all these prayers for the church near and far, we pray for the people and clergy and for the ministries flowing from these places into the communities.

In our Parish Cycle we pray for Mae Ellis and Kelly and Les Foulds. We pray for their work, ministry, and families here and away.

Notices

VESTRY: St Helens annual vestry meeting will be on **February 22, 2026.**

Those responsible for reports, please start preparing them and submit them to the office as early as possible and no later than February 3, 2026.

LUNCH BUNCH: Everyone is invited to join us for lunch and fellowship on Thursday, January 22nd in the Upper Hall. The cost of \$6.00. Your friends and family are welcome.

‘AGING WITH GRACE’ – is a free 6 week program being hosted by St. Cuthbert’s Anglican Church (11601 82 Street, North Delta). Professionals will address and answer questions on a variety of topics of interest to seniors and families including Christian Grandparenting, Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, Hearing & Eyesight Loss, Knowing When to Downsize & Resources, Palliative Care & Last Rites, and Legacy Planning & Terminal Costs. The series runs from January 8 to February 12 after their 10am Thursday mid-week service. Free lunch to follow. Please register at <https://stcuthbert.ca/events/aging-with-grace-seminar/2026-01-08>.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2026 -- will be held January 18-25 in the Northern Hemisphere. Christians are reminded of Jesus’ prayer for his disciples that ‘they may be one so that the world may believe’ (John 17:21). Under the theme, ‘There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,’ the prayers and reflections have been prepared by the Armenian Apostolic Church and reflect their historic traditions of prayer and petitions. This global week of prayer offers Christians throughout the world the opportunity to draw upon this shared Christian heritage and is organized by the World Council of Churches (<https://www.oikoumene.org>).

Office Information Jennifer will be away from January 18 to February 2 inclusive. As a result, the service bulletins will be printed in advance on Feb 15 for January 25 and Feb 1. If you have notices after January 15 they will need to be addressed in community announcements.

Sunday January 25 We are fortunate to have **Sarah Autio, an Anglican M. Div student** join us where she will preach during the service. She may also have some information and pamphlets about VST which she can share during coffee hour.

This Week's Ministry Team

Officiant The Rev. Dr. Robin Ruder Celiz
Deacon The Rev. Stephen Thompson
Music..... Joel Adimatha
Crucifer/Servers/Psalmist..... Jayden/Darrel Shaw
Prayers of the Community Lynn Turner
Readers..... Vinita Daniel & Abdul Sillah
Lay Administration Mareen & Roshan Mathew
Greeters Patricia & Tom Beneteau
Livestream Tech Z. Barabas, T Beneteau, S Lee, Ronit V. I.Nwaogu,A.Sillah
Altar Guild..... J.Francis, H.Herd ,K.Foulds
Fellowship Servers..... Cynthia & Anil Richards, C. Hall, D., Dronsfield

Next Week's Ministry Team

Officiant/Preacher The Rev'd Dr. Robin Ruder Celiz
Deacon The Rev'd. Stephen Thompson
Music..... Joel Adimatha
Crucifer/Server and Psalmist .. Darrel Shaw
Prayers of the Community John Palmer
Readers..... Jayden Shaw & Catherine Hall
Lay Administration Judy Nicholson & Angelita Sotana
Greeters Vinu Jabob 7 Maureen Thompson
Livestream Tech . Z. Barabas, T. Beneteau, S. Lee Ronit V. I.Nwaogu ,A.Sillah
Altar Guild Sarah Vinu & Carol Young
Fellowship Servers..... the Chatterjea Family

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