

WELCOME TO

Evening Prayer

The Feast of St. Matthias the Apostle

May 14 | Online Worship

Book of Alternative Services

Service starting shortly

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

As members of a parish in the Diocese of New Westminster, we acknowledge that we are gathered from a variety of locations within the traditional and unceded ancestral territory of the Coast Salish people, including but not limited to, the halq'-emylém speaking **Kwantlen**, **Kwikwetlem**, **Musqueam**, **Tseil-watuth**, and **Tsawwassen** nations.

The Apostle Matthias

"He was added to the eleven apostles."

Matthias was a witness to the Resurrection from the beginning. Chosen by lot to replace Judas Iscariot, his feast reminds us that God ensures the continuity of the Church's witness and leadership through the Holy Spirit.

Opening Sentences

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

People: O Lord, make haste to help us.

"You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God."

— *Ephesians 2:19*



CONFESSION OF SIN

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.

Reader / People

1 Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! * how pleasant it is to honour him with praise!

2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; * he gathers the exiles of Israel.

3 He heals the brokenhearted * and binds up their wounds.

4 He counts the number of the stars * and calls them all by their names.

5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; * there is no limit to his wisdom.

6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, * but casts the wicked to the ground.

7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; * make music to our God upon the harp.

8 He covers the heavens with clouds * and prepares rain for the earth;

9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains * and green plants to serve mankind.

10 He provides food for the flocks and herds * and for the young ravens when they cry.

11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; * he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, * in those who await his gracious favour.

Reader

ACTS 1:15-20 (NRSV)

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, “Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.”

“For it is written in the book of Psalms, ‘Let his homestead become desolate, and let there be no one to live in it’; and ‘His office let another take.’”

Reader

ACTS 1:21-26 (NRSV)

“So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us— beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.”

So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Magnificat

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;
for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel,
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.*

Reader

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-16 (NRSV)

Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. Only let us hold fast to what we have attained.

Reader

PHILIPPIANS 3:17-21 (NRSV)

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things.

But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory.

People

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Officiant

Prayers of the People

- For the mission of the Church and for our Bishops.
- For the leaders of the nations and for all in authority.
- For the victims of war, hunger, and oppression.
- For the sick and the suffering, and for those who care for them.

[Please share your petitions in the Zoom Chat]

The Lord's Prayer

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 those who 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.

Officiant

THE COLLECT OF ST. MATTHIAS

Almighty God, who in the place of the traitor Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve: Grant that your Church may always be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

Amen.

I look forward to you feedback on this new presentation of the expected content

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