

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Last Sunday after Epiphany
10:30 am, February 14, 2021



Welcome

We acknowledge our presence on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples.

Welcome to this St. James' "Liturgy for use at home," which for the time being will be the only public service at St. James'.

Nonetheless, the Church's life of prayer and intercession continues. Those who live close to St. James' may hear the Angelus ring from the tower: this is an audible sign that the Church is praying for the parish, the DTES, the medical services, and for a swift resolution to this pandemic.

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom at the regular times: contact details on the website, and at the end of this bulletin. The Mass will continue to be offered regularly, even though the doors may be locked.

You are invited either to share in this Liturgy at 10:30 am on Sunday, via Zoom, or to use this as an aid to your prayers at home, drawing strength, we hope, from the knowledge that fellow-parishioners will be praying alongside you.

The Parish Intercession Lists, which are being kept up to date, are being prayed daily. Please make any requests to the Parish Office, office@stjames.bc.ca, 604-685-2532.

PRAYER FOR A PANDEMIC

May we who are merely inconvenienced
remember those whose lives are at stake.
May we who have no risk factors
remember those most vulnerable.
May we who have the luxury of working from home
remember those who must choose between
preserving their health or making their rent.
May we who have the flexibility to care for our
children when their schools close
remember those who have no options.
May we who have to cancel our trips
remember those that have no safe place to go.
May we who are losing our margin money
in the tumult of the economic market
remember those who have no margin at all.
As fear grips our country, let us choose love.
During this time when we cannot physically
wrap our arms around each other,
let us yet find ways to be the loving
embrace of God to our neighbors. Amen.

Cameron Bellm

www.ccvichapel.org/post/prayer-for-a-pandemic-cameron-bellm

VISION STATEMENT

Discovering the beauty of holiness in our lives and neighbourhood, by living a Christ-centred sacramental life rooted in the Anglo-Catholic tradition.

MISSION OBJECTIVES

- To be a beacon for all as a neighbourhood and destination church where we invite and welcome friends, family, and strangers into our midst;
- To deepen our life of prayer and formation in Christ;
- To develop relationships and fellowship in open, honest, and spiritual ways among parishioners, with our neighbours, and those in need;
- To pursue and practice justice and mercy for the imparting of the Kingdom of God within and beyond the Parish;
- To strive to maintain financial equilibrium, develop our reserves, and optimize the use of our assets to ensure the preservation of our sacred space and ministry from generation to generation, to the everlasting glory of God.

A Reflection

Light of the minds that know him,
may Christ be light to mine!
my sun in risen splendour,
my light of truth divine;
my guide in doubt and darkness,
my true and living way,
my clear light ever shining,
my dawn of heaven's day.

Life of the souls that love him,
may Christ be ours indeed!
the living bread from heaven
on whom our spirits feed;
who died for love of sinners
to bear our guilty load,
and make of life's brief journey
a new Emmaus road.

Strength of the wills that serve him,
may Christ be strength to me,
who stilled the storm and tempest,
who calmed the tossing sea;
his Spirit's power to move me,
his will to master mine,
his cross to carry daily
and conquer in his sign.

May it be ours to know him
that we may truly love,
and loving, fully serve him
as serve the saints above;
till in that home of glory
with fadeless splendour bright,
we serve in perfect freedom
our Strength, our Life, our Light.

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926), based on a prayer of
St. Augustine of Hippo, 354-430

Zoom Worship

For all of us, sharing in Liturgy at Home via Zoom is a new and evolving experience. We are all on a learning curve! The technology enables us, I think, to create a sense of community as together we offer our worship to God. It also has challenges and limitations.

One such challenge is that everyone's internet runs at a different speed: this means that if we try to say or sing something together with all the microphones switched on, the result is not edifying unison but a cacophony. For this reason we ask everyone to keep microphones on mute, unless one is reading. Please feel free to make the responses aloud at home, but not "on the air." Designated person(s) will make the responses on everyone's behalf.

We are exploring how we may include more music, but we have not yet discovered an effective way. We are grateful to Gerald for his commentary and links to music being circulated with *The Thurible* and on the website.

We offer this Liturgy at Home in union with the clergy offering the Sunday Mass in St. James', on behalf of the parish, the DTES, and for deliverance from this pandemic.

Fr. Kevin is grateful to all who are making this Liturgy at Home possible, and for the encouraging response and helpful feedback.

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

Gathering together on the traditional, ancestral and unceded lands of the Tsleil-Waututh “People of the Inlet”, the Musqueam “People of the River Grass”, and the Squamish “Mother of the Wind”, we meet

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

HYMN VERSE

'Tis good, Lord, to be here!
Thy glory fills the night;
thy face and garments, like the sun,
shine with unborrowed light.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness,
all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

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.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and keep us in eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
+art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.
Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the Second Book of Kings.

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

2 Kings 2:1-12

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Antiphon: God reveals himself in glory.

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.

Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of his people.

"Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge.

Antiphon: God reveals himself in glory.

Psalm 50:1-6

SECOND READING

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

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness", who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia.

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

Mark 9:2-9

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Deacon Amanda Ruston

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

Celebrant:

In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

Intercessor:

For Christians everywhere that, faithful to our calling we may become a royal priesthood, a holy nation.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For all bishops, clergy, and people:

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury,

- for the Anglican Church of Canada
- for Linda – our Primate; Melissa – our Archbishop & Metropolitan; and Bishop John;
- for Archbishop Mark, and for Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador; and for Bishop Brent and our partner diocese of Northern Philippines
- the Deanery of North Vancouver - The Reverend Patrick Blaney, Regional Dean
- the Eco-Justice Unit - The Reverend Margaret Marquardt, The Reverend Gail Newell
- the Administrators of the Anglican Initiatives Fund
- and for our parish of St. James,

Lord in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the leaders of the nations, and all in authority at this time of crisis, for the World Health Organization and for the medical profession, on the front line and in research.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

That by your power, wars, famine, and pandemic may cease through all the earth,
Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; for the victims of our society; and for all those who minister to them - all those suffering from Covid-19; also Eric Bristow; Linda; Karen; Kenny Landherr; John Fisher; Aaron Thomas; Lyndon; Julius Kristoff; Martin Smith; Sister Mary; Daniel; Tim McKinney; Bev Coles; Herman; Eliza; and Ian Bee,

And in our Street Outreach for - Jessica; Erin; Dale; Kimberly; Matthew; Rene; Early; Sandy; John; and Hua,

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the recently departed - all victims of Covid-19, and Carla Potter,

and for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time – Olive Scott; Henry Jackson; Constance Spence; Eileen Wayne; Lillian Gardiner; Edna Smallman; Amy Wakefield; Florence Johnson; Jim Hartman; Ted Simons; Cynthia Best,

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Celebrant:

Holy God,

receive our prayers with all we offer you this day,

and bring us to that radiant glory

which we see in the transfigured face

of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Spiritual Communion

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

AGNUS DEI

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

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*As we are unable to receive the Blessed Sacrament at this time,
meditate quietly for a moment on these words of Jesus from St. John 6:*

“I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, whoever believes in me will never thirst.”

“O come to my heart, Lord Jesus. There is room in my heart for thee.”

HYMN

O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see,
may what we thirst for soon our portion be:
to gaze on thee unveiled and see thy face,
the vision of thy glory and thy grace.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Holy God,

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:

may we who are made one in him through our baptism

reflect his life in word and deed,

that all the world may know his power to change and save.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE GRACE

The peace of God which passes all understanding

keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,

and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all evermore.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

AVE REGINA CAELORUM

Hail, Queen of heaven, beyond compare,
to whom the angels homage pay.

Hail, Root of Jesse, Gate of light,
which opened for the world's new day.

Rejoice, O Virgin unsurpassed,
in whom our ransom was begun.
For all your loving children pray,
to Christ our Saviour, and your Son.

Clergy Notes

Lent begins this week: on Ash Wednesday there will be a Liturgy at Home via Zoom at 7.00 pm. Details will be circulated in the usual way.

As the customary Ashing will not be possible, we may wish to mark the day by another sign of penitence. Traditionally it is a day of fasting and abstinence, so one might deliberately omit or reduce the size of a meal, and refrain from eating meat. Almsgiving is another Lenten discipline, so it may be an occasion to make a charitable donation. Particular attention to our life of prayer is another aspect of Lent, so one might devote an extra 15 minutes to prayer or bible reading on Wednesday. Indeed, one might consider a pattern of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving for the whole of Lent.

Ash Wednesday itself focuses on penitence, acknowledging our sins, our need to repent and to be forgiven, and our mortality: “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you will return. Turn away from sin, and be faithful to the Gospel.” The disciplines of Lent are a sign of that turning away, that continuing conversion: it is to be a time of growth in the Way of Christ. You will find details of Lenten opportunities in the Notice section of the bulletin.

Lent is an Anglo-Saxon word for spring; in our northern hemisphere nature encourages us at this time. Despite this sudden winter spell, spring is on the way: there are crocuses blooming by St. James’, and daffodils coming into flower in Stanley Park. Growth, new life; Lent leads to Holy Week and Easter. And in the darkness and isolation of this pandemic, the vaccine on the horizon gives hope of being able to come together again.

I wish you a Happy and Fruitful Lent.

Every blessing,

Fr. Kevin

The Annual Vestry Meeting will take place via Zoom on Saturday 27 February at 10.30 am. The Zoom line will be open at 10.15 am. A separate email is being circulated with more details of how the meeting will work.

Registration: those intending to attend please register as soon as possible with the Parish Office (office@stjames.bc.ca, 604-685-2532). Only Members of the Parish are entitled to vote at the Vestry: if you are unsure whether you are on the Roll, please contact the Office. It is not intended to print a large number of copies of the Annual Report: it will be available via online link the week before the meeting. Those unable to access the link, please contact the Office.

The Nominations Committee Report has been circulated by email, showing those posts up for election, and the Committee's nominees. Further Nominations, with Proposer and Seconder, may be sent to the Office.

It will be helpful for any Motions and Questions to be sent to the Office during the week prior to the meeting.

Notices

REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICE TIME *UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE*

10:30 am Zoom Liturgy at Home

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 17 at 7 pm: Zoom Liturgy at Home. Access details to follow.

LENT COURSE

Wednesdays - February 24 & March 3, 10, 17 at 3 pm. Zoom access details to follow. Fr. Neil Gray will lead us in reflection on “What is truth?”, in relation to Biblical Authority, Incarnation, Resurrection, and the Second Coming.

LENT

For more Lent opportunities, eg daily email Reflections, Stewardship training, Lenten reading, please see the Lent Resources 2021 [here](#).

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

Saturday, February 27 at 10:30 am via Zoom. Further information will be sent by email in due course.

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPLINE

You are invited to join this small but lively group of people, praying Compline together from the BCP via Zoom. We meet at 9 pm Friday nights. Bring your own book, or contact Deacon Amanda or José Luis for the PDF order of service. Meeting ID: 272 505 973, Password 688517. Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071.

THE HOLY ROSARY

On the last Friday of the month at 6 pm join St. James' parishioners in praying the Holy Rosary via Zoom. Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159. No password required. Or join by phone: 778 907 2071. Access the texts here: <http://bit.ly/stjamesrosary>

If you would like to help lead a St. James' Rosary please fill out this questionnaire: <http://bit.ly/rosaryleaders>

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom most days at 9 am and 5 pm.

The Meeting ID is 936 5595 7573, Password 762469. Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

GIVING

Thank you to all those who are giving generously to St James' in these difficult times. Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

Although we are not all meeting as a congregation in the church, the ongoing running costs of St. James', some \$1800 per day, continue.

If usually you give in the Weekly Offering Envelopes, please consider using the credit card Donate option on the [HOME](#) page or go to the [GIVING](#) page of the St. James' website: www.stjames.bc.ca

Alternatively, if you do not already give by PAD (Pre-Authorised Donation) and are able to do so, please email the Parish Office for a form. More information is available on the Diocese of New Westminster [here](#).

Lectionary

DATE	DAILY MASS	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON. FEBRUARY 15 Thomas Bray, Priest & Missionary, Founder of SPG & SPCK, 1730	Is 55:6-11; Ps 102:15-22; Mt 9:35-38	Ps 25; Dt 6:10-15; Heb 1:1-14	Ps 9, 15; Pr 27:1-6, 10-12; Jn 1:1-18
TUES. FEBRUARY 16 Feria	Gen 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29; Mk 8:14-21	Ps 26, 28; Dt 6:16-25; Heb 2:1-10	Ps 36, 39; Pr 30:1-4, 24-33; Jn 1:19-28
WED. FEBRUARY 17 Ash Wednesday Zoom Liturgy - 7 pm	Is 58:1-12; Ps 51:1-17; 2 Cor 5:20b-6:10; Mt 6:1-6, 16-21	Ps 95, 32, 143; Jon 3:1-4:11; Heb 12:1-14	Ps 102, 130; Am 5:6-15; Lk 18:9-14
THUR. FEBRUARY 18 Martin Luther, Reformer, 1546	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1; Lk 9:18-25	Ps 37:1-18; Dt 7:6-11; Tit 1:1-16	Ps 37:19-42; Hab 3:1-10, 16-18; Jn 1:29-34
FRI. FEBRUARY 19 Feria	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:1-4, 17-18; Mt 9:14-17	Ps 95, 31; Dt 7:12-16; Tit 2:1-15	Ps 35; Ezek 18:1-4, 25-32; Jn 1:35-42
SAT. FEBRUARY 20 Feria	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32	Ps 30, 32; Dt 7:17-26; Tit 3:1-15	Ps 42, 43; Ezek 39:21-29; Jn 1:43-51
SUN. FEBRUARY 21 First Sunday in Lent	Gen 9:8-17; Ps 25:1-10; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:9-15	Ps 63:1-8, 98; Dt 8:1-10; 1 Cor 1:17-31	Ps 103; Dan 9:3-10; Mk 2:18-22

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