

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
July 2, 2023 | 9:00 am



Welcome

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect our presence on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

Welcome to this St. James' "Liturgy at Home", which continues to gather together a community of worship for those prevented for various reasons from being in church. Solemn Mass is now celebrated in church at 10:30 am on Sundays. For weekday Mass (in church) and (online) Daily Office times, please see the Notices pages at the end of this bulletin.

You are invited either to share in this Liturgy at 9:00 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.

About St James'

St. James' is an inclusive Christian community, worshipping in the Anglo-Catholic tradition. For more information, please see our website: www.stjames.bc.ca

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

The Priest: a prayer on Sunday night (extract)

Here I am, Lord,

Alone.

The silence troubles me,

The solitude oppresses me.

Child, you are not alone,

I am with you,

I am you.

For I needed another human vehicle to continue my Incarnation
and my Redemption.

Out of all eternity, I chose you,

I need you.

I need your hands to continue to bless,

I need your lips to continue to speak,

I need your body to continue to suffer,

I need your heart to continue to love,

I need you to continue to save,

Stay with me, child.

Here I am, Lord;

Here is my body,

Here is my heart,

Here is my soul.

Grant that I may be big enough to reach the world,

Strong enough to carry it,

Pure enough to embrace it without wanting to keep it.

Grant that I may be a meeting-place, but a temporary one,

A road that does not end in itself, because everything to be
gathered there, everything human, leads towards you.

I repeat to you my “yes” – not in a burst of laughter, but slowly,
clearly, humbly,

Alone, Lord, before you,

In the peace of the evening.

From Michel Quoist, Prayers of Life, Gill & Macmillan 1963

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

HYMN

God, my hope on you is founded;
you my faith and trust renew:
through all change and chance you guide me,
only good and only true.
God unknown, you alone
call my heart to be your own.

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.

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all
and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name
and speak of the glory of your kingdom:

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 God,
you have taught us through your Son
that love fulfils the law.
May we love you with all our heart,
all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,
and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, 'Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfil the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet.'

(Jeremiah 28:5-9)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

**For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

“I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

**‘I will establish your line for ever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.’”**

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

**They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favour our might is exalted.

**Truly, the Lord is our ruler;
the Holy One of Israel is our king.**

(Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Romans 6:12-23)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. Christ being raised from the dead dies no more; death has no more dominion over him. **Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

(Matthew 10:40-42)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

The Very Reverend Peter Elliott

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 the power of the Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father:

Intercessor:

For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Charles, our King, the leaders of the nations, and all in authority, that they will serve the people according to your holy will.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For an end to violence, warfare, and strife through all the earth.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Christians everywhere, that we may be filled with your Holy Spirit;

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury;

- for Linda our Primate; Lynne our Metropolitan; and John our Bishop,
- for Bishop Benny, and our companion Diocese of Northern Philippines,
- for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil,
- for Indigenous Peoples in the Diocese of Rupert's Land,
- for the mission and witness of our Diocese, and especially for:
 - St Thomas, Chilliwack – The Revd Lorie Martin
 - St. Thomas, Vancouver - The Revd Michael Batten
 - The Anglican Church Women – Ms Kelly Bowman, President
- and for our parish of St. James.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Father Neil, in thanksgiving for his forty years of service to the Church as a priest.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For the lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, and for Kenny Landherr; Kate Flood; Byron; James Walsh; Philip; David; Wendy; Rupert; Judy; Marcus; Doug Edwards; Adaline; Martin; Philippa Pride; June & Charles Nixon; Michelle C.; Margaret-Ann & Amanda; Indigo; Samuel; Elisabeth Harder; Irene Collins; Paul Kimm; Cynthia Green; Matteus; Michael Gobbett; Marko; Dianne; Rod Vallis; Nicky; Cliff; Achan; Gary; and Carla,

and in our Street Outreach for Alan; Yuen; Peter; Francesca; Daniel; Kari-Ann and her sisters; Antonio; Cheryl; Douglas; Christine; Moses; Crystal; Omar; Robert Williams; Karl; Yesterday; and Brooklyn.

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For Ronald Barnes, priest; Paul McMullan, priest; John Henry David; Michael McManus; Pedro; Margaret Poutt, and all who have died recently,

and for all those whose anniversary of death we commemorate at this time: Walter Barfoot, bishop; Sister Theodora; Dorothy Coleopy; Penny Ehmann; Violet Sillitoe; Gulla McLean; Eric Hildebrandt; and Nancy MacDonald.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Celebrant:

Remembering Holy Mary, the Mother of God, St. James our Patron, and all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, our Lord and God.

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.”

Then, in union with the Body of Christ in every time and place, pray:

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

HYMN

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing
If our God our Father be.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of wisdom,

receive all we offer you this day.

Enrich our lives with the gifts of your Spirit,

that we may follow the way of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and serve one another in freedom.

We ask this in his name.

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.**

May 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.

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.

The flowers on the High Altar
are given to the Glory of God,

by Fr. Neil Gray in celebration
of the fortieth anniversary
of his ordination to the priesthood
and in thanksgiving for the many blessings
that he has received during that time.

Clergy Notes

Monday this week is the Feast of St Thomas the Apostle, so frequently known – in an almost pejorative way – as Doubting Thomas. Actually, I find it a comforting and encouraging descriptor.

You will recall that on the evening of the first Easter Day Thomas was missing when the Risen Christ appeared to the apostles in the upper room. When he heard about it, he said famously, ‘Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.’ That’s a not unreasonable statement, if you ask me! The following Sunday evening, Jesus reveals himself to them again, this time with Thomas present.

Jesus does not criticise Thomas, but rather reveals himself to him: ‘Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.’ Thomas recognises him, and worships: ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus responds first, ‘Have you believed because you have seen me?’ and then includes all of us down the ages who follow, ‘Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’

In this passage, and earlier in John 11, Thomas is described as ‘The Twin’, though we never discover whose twin he is. In John 14.1-6, as here, Thomas asks the question everyone else wants to, but holds back, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ Commentators have suggested that John is inviting each of us to be that twin, encouraging us to ask with Thomas the questions of Jesus that are in our hearts: ‘Where are you, Lord? What are you saying to me? What do you want of me?’

Thomas is the patron of our questioning, seeking, and searching: in response, Jesus says to us, ‘Here I am. Reach out, trust, believe.’ We might well echo the prayer of the child’s father in Mark 9: ‘Lord, I believe. Help my unbelief.’ And then, with Thomas, cry out, ‘My Lord and my God!’

Every blessing,
Fr Kevin

Notices

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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| Saturday | 4:00 pm: Vigil Mass in church |
| Sunday | 9:00 am: Liturgy at Home via Zoom 10:30 am: Solemn Mass in church |
| Weekdays | 12:10 pm: Monday, Wednesday, Friday in church 9:30 am: Tuesday, Thursday in church |

ANNIVERSARY

Today Fr Neil Gray celebrates his 40th anniversary as a priest. We extend our congratulations, love, and thanksgivings!

ST JAMES' DAY

On Sunday, July 23, we shall celebrate our patronal festival. The preacher will be Fr Stephen Rowe, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Surrey, and after Mass there will be lunch in the Crypt, prepared by Watari. Everyone welcome!

GIVING

Thank you to all those who are giving generously to St. James' in these difficult times. Your ongoing support is much appreciated. To donate online, please visit www.stjames.bc.ca/donate to make a one-time or monthly donation using Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Visa Debit, or PayPal.

Regular givers are invited to set up a PAD/Credit Card payment. For info email envelope.secretary@stjames.bc.ca.

THE DAILY OFFICE

The Daily Office will be said online via Zoom most days at 9 am and 5 pm. There will be no Morning Prayer on Sundays.

Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Password 762469.

Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071.

LECTIO DIVINA AND BIBLE STUDY

On Wednesdays at 1:00 pm (after Midday Mass), we hold Bible Study in the library of the Parish Centre. Each week we explore a passage of scripture (usually the following Sunday's Gospel) and wonder together about its meaning(s) and implications for our lives as Christians today. Participants are welcome to join in person or via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 6396 2965

Zoom Passcode: 247805

No registration required. If you would like to be sent the reading and questions ahead of time, please contact Mother Amanda.

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 9:00 pm Friday nights. Bring your own book, or contact Mother Amanda for the PDF order of service.

Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Password 688517.

Join via Zoom or by phone, 778-907-2071.

MASS IN SPANISH

First Saturdays of the month at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 1130 Jervis Street, Vancouver. Everyone welcome.

THE HOLY ROSARY

On the last Saturday of the month at 10:30 am, join Rev. José Luis Aranda Moyano in praying the Holy Rosary via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159.

No password required.

Or join by phone: 778 907 2071.

Lectionary

| DATE | MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM | DAILY MASS | EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM |
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| MON July 3 St Thomas the Apostle | Ps 23, 121; Job 42:1-6; 1 Pet 1:3-9 | Heb 10:35-11:1; Ps 126; Jn 20:24-29 | Ps 27; Is 43:8-13; Jn 14:1-7 |
| TUES July 4 Feria | Ps 121, 122, 123; 1 Sam 11:1-15; Acts 8:1-13 | Gen 19:15-29; Ps 26; Mt 8:23-27 | Ps 124, 125, 126; Num 22:21-38; Lk 22:63-71 |
| WED July 5 Jan Hus, Prophetic Witness & Martyr, 1415 | Ps 119:145-176; 1 Sam 12:1-6, 16-25; Acts 8:14-25 | Gen 21:5, 8-20; Ps 34:1-8; Mt 8:28-34 | Ps 128, 129, 130; Num 22:41-23:12; Lk 23:1-12 |
| THUR July 6 St Thomas More, Scholar & Martyr, 1535 | Ps 131, 132; 1 Sam 13:5-18; Acts 8:26-40 | Gen 22:1-14; Ps 116:1-8; Mt 9:1-8 | Ps 134, 135; Num 23:11-26; Lk 23:13-25 |
| FRI July 7 Feria | Ps 140, 142; 1 Sam 13:19-14:15 Acts 9:1-9 | Gen 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1-5; Mt 9:9-13 | Ps 141, 143:1-11; Num 24:1-13; Lk 23:26-31 |
| SAT July 8 Feria | Ps 137:1-6, 144; 1 Sam 14:16-30; Acts 9:10-19a | Gen 27:1-9, 15-29; Ps 135:1-6; Mt 9:14-17 | Ps 104; Num 24:12-25; Lk 23:32-43 |
| SUN July 9 6th Sunday after Pentecost | Ps 146, 147; 1 Sam 14:36-45; Rom 5:1-11 | Zech 9:9-12 Ps 145:8-14 Rom 7:15-25a Mt 11:16-19, 25-30 | Ps 111, 112, 113; Num 27:12-23; Mt 22:1-14 |

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Father Neil Gray; Father Neil Fernyhough

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