

Liturgy at Home

St. James' Anglican Church



Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024 | 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), Sḵwḵwú7mesh (Squamish), and səłilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations.

Alleluia, Christ is Risen! Easter Greetings and Blessings to one and all!

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.

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

It is not only as past history that we know all that the Son of God did and taught for the reconciliation of the world; here and now we feel the effects of its power.

For our participation in the body and blood of Christ has this effect: it makes us become what we receive; it enables us, with our whole being, in our spirit and our flesh, to bear him in whom and with whom we have died and been buried and risen again.

Excerpt, Sermon 12 on the Passion; St Leo the Great

Opening Rite

INVOCATION

Gathering together on the ancestral, traditional and un-ceded territory of the x^wməθk^wə́yám (Musqueam), Sk̓w̓x̓wú7mesh (Squamish), and sə́lilwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations, we meet

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

Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

Raised to your right hand on high
the ascended Christ shows the prints of love
and bestows on us the gifts of grace.

As your Spirit renews the face of the earth,
may we bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
and reveal your glory in all the world.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God for ever.

HYMN

Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

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 exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven.
Mercifully give us faith to know
that, as he promised,
he abides with us on earth to the end of time;
who is alive 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 Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) 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.'

So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout 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.

(Acts 1:15-17, 21-26)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**Their delight is in the law of the Lord,
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.

**It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgement comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

(Psalm 1)

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of John.

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

(1 John 5:9-13)

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia. I will not leave you comfortless: I go away and come again unto you, and your heart shall rejoice. **Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

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

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

(John 15:9-17)

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY

Mother Amanda Ruston

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us declare our faith
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;

he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;

afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:

this we have received,
and this we believe.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant

Let us join our prayers with those of our Saviour Christ,
seeking the Father's blessing and the gifts of the Spirit.

Reader

Jesus Christ, great high priest,
living for ever to intercede for us,
pray for the Church, your broken body in the world:
for John, our Bishop, and the clergy and people of this Diocese;
for Archbishop Christopher, and for the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples,
Risen Lord,
Hear our prayer.

Jesus Christ, king of righteousness,
enthroned at the right hand of the majesty on high,
pray for the world, and make it subject to your gentle rule:
grant it your gift of peace;
pray for the leaders of the nations at this time of crisis, and
for an end to war, terrorism, and violence;
for the peace of your beloved city Jerusalem, over which you weep still.
Risen Lord,
Hear our prayer.

Jesus Christ, Son of Man,
drawing humanity into the life of God,
pray for your brothers and sisters in need, distress or sorrow: Kenny Landherr; Byron;
June & Charles Nixon; Paul Kimm; Patrick Burns; Vivian Lam; Paul Waller; Caitlin;
Daniel; Bryan & Karin; Rosalind Knight; Bueron; Sylvia Guno; Paul & Dorothy; Judy;
Betty Chong; Reg Lee; Cynthia; Keith Fenton, jr; Michael Symons; Viger Persinger; Sam;
Nancy; Louise Bass; Randall & Cheah family; Jan Lowe; Greg; Carolyn; Kevin; Mary
Hamilton; Patricia & Russil Rilcof; Amy & the Chai Family; Matthew; John Innes;

for the DTES community, and the work of our Street Outreach; for all those suffering in body, mind, or spirit, especially those who have asked our prayers: Antonio; Sarah; Omar; Tony; Peace; Amanda; Sabrina; Richard; Edgar; Vernon; and Jack.

Risen Lord,

Hear our prayer.

Jesus Christ, pioneer of our salvation,
bringing us to glory through your death and resurrection,
surround with your saints and angels those who have died trusting your promises,
among the recently departed, Clarissa Lim; Don Ross; Rina; Fern Quesnel; Perry
Omeasoo; Rita Mitchel; Tom Dugray; Scooby; Ida Pranto; Annie Tommy; Joe Rathingy;
Susan Cheong,

and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Gertrude Thring; Beatrice
Gurney; Vera Henniger; Stella Harney; George Davies.

+Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And may light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace.

Amen.

Jesus Christ, Lord over all things,
ascended far above the heavens and filling the universe,
pray for us who receive the gifts you give us for work in your service,
that we may be faithful in worship, mission and witness.

Risen Lord,

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant

Remembering Holy Mary, the Mother of God, St. James our Patron, and all the saints,
we commend 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

Lord, your word shall guide us
and with truth provide us:
teach us to receive it
and with joy believe it.

Concluding Rite

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Source of all joy,
receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.
Keep us in the love of Christ
and bring us to the vision of his glory;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE GRACE

God the Holy Spirit,
who filled the disciples with the life of the risen and ascended Lord,
empower us and fill us with Christ's peace.
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, alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

REGINA CAELI

O queen of heaven, be joyful, alleluia,
the Son it was your privilege to bear, alleluia,
has arisen, as he promised, alleluia;
pray to the Father for us, alleluia.

Clergy Notes

This Sunday's reading from the Acts of the Apostles describes the selection of a new apostle to fill the spot left open by Judas. Criteria are identified and two names are put forward. The text doesn't tell us why Matthias is chosen over Barsabbas, nor – interestingly – does it tell us much of what happened to either of them after this event takes place.

It got me thinking about whom we consider to be important in the Kingdom of God. We commemorate pioneers of the church, prophets, priests, martyrs, social justice warriors, mystics, bishops, monastics, scholars... but these are only a fraction of the people who have contributed to God's Kingdom.

There are so many more whose names and stories have never been passed on. Countless women and men of faith throughout the ages, unseen and unknown, offering acts of service and prayer and devotion and self-sacrifice in order that the Gospel may be made known in their time and age.

Like them, most of us will never have our names written in history books or hagiographies. And yet, every one of us has contributed to the Kingdom of God: in an outpouring of time and talent and treasure; of faithfulness and hope and tears; of prayer and love and acts of service. Some are more 'front-and-centre'; others prefer to remain behind the scenes; many of us are somewhere in between. Yet every one of us by virtue of our baptism is a member of the elect. Every one of us is an apostle of Christ. God knows every single one of our names, even if history books never will.

What happened to Barsabbas after he 'lost' the election? I'd like to think he kept on doing God's work as faithfully as he did before. I'd like to think he still did the work of an apostle. Because like him, we are all called to be apostles: witnesses to the resurrection of Christ; messengers proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom. May we all live more fully into that vocation in all aspects of our lives – both seen and unseen.

Mother Amanda

Notices

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

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

ALLELUIA, CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA!

A Happy and Joyful Easter to one and all! We extend our thanks to everyone who worked so hard - 'front of house and behind the scenes' - to prepare and offer our Holy Week and Easter services. Having walked with Jesus on his Way of the Cross, we now rejoice with him in the joy of Resurrection Life.

CLERGY CONFERENCE

Mass on Tuesday, May 14 and Wednesday, May 15 is cancelled this week due to the clergy being away.

BOARD GAMES NIGHT

Join us in playing board games together on **Tuesday, May 14 from 7:00 to 9:30pm!** Bring your favourite game and a friend. Everyone is welcome! If you have questions please talk to Michelle at 236-512-9915.

BIBLE STUDY

Interested in learning more about Scripture, or how to apply the Bible to your daily life? Bring your questions and curiosity and join in the conversation (or just listen if you prefer!) We meet in person and on Zoom, **every Wednesday at 1:00 pm**. No registration required. All are welcome! Please contact Mtr Amanda if you would like to be sent the reading and discussion questions ahead of time.

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 6396 2965

Zoom Passcode: 247805

There will be no Bible Study on Wednesday May 15.

CHORAL EVENSONG

St. John's Shaughnessy offers Choral Evensong about once a month, and the next service will be **today, May 12, at 4:00 pm**. These services feature great organ preludes, postludes and the choir sing special anthems.

SING INTO SUMMER

On June 16 at 3:00 pm, St. Alban's, Richmond is hosting a benefit concert, featuring the Richmond Singers, in aid of their parish outreach and advocacy programs. For more information visit stalbansrichmond.org/3542-2/.

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 <http://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 is said via Zoom **Monday through Saturday at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm**. Join by Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 986 3976 8391

Zoom Passcode: 762469

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPLINE

You are invited to join this small but lively group of people, praying Compline together from the BCP at **9:00 pm Friday nights** via Zoom. Bring your own book, or contact Mother Amanda for the PDF order of service. Join by Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 272 505 973

Zoom Passcode: 688517

THE HOLY ROSARY

On **the last Saturday of each month at 10:30 am**, join Fr José Luis Aranda Moyano in praying the Holy Rosary via Zoom. Join via Zoom app or by phone at 778-907-2071.

Zoom Meeting ID: 969 0827 4159

No passcode required

Lectionary

DATE	MORNING PRAYER 9:00 AM	DAILY MASS	EVENING PRAYER 5:00 PM
MON May 13 Feria	Ps 89:1-18; Jos 1:1-9; Eph 3:1-13	Acts 19:1-10; Ps 68:1-6; Jn 16:29-33	Ps 89:19-52; Ezek 4:1-17; Mt 8:5-17
TUES May 14 St. Matthias the Apostle	Ps 80; 1 Sam 16:1-13; 1 Jn 2:18-25	Phil 3:13b-22; Ps 15; Jn 15:1, 6-16	Ps 33; 1 Sam 12:1-5; Acts 20:17-35
WED May 15 The Founding of St. James' Social Services by May Gutteridge, 1961	Ps 101, 109:1-4, 20-30; Is 4:2-6; Eph 4:1-16	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:28-36; Jn 17:11b-19	Ps 119:121-144; Ezek 11:14-25; Mt 8:28-34
THUR May 16 Feria	Ps 105:1-22; Zech 4:1-14; Eph 4:17-32	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Ps 16; Jn 17:20-26	Ps 105:23-45; Ezek 18:1-4, 19-32; Mt 9:1-8
FRI May 17 Feria	Ps 102; Jer 31:27-34; Eph 5:1-20	Acts 25:13-21; Ps 103:1-2, 19-22; Jn 21:15-19	Ps 107:1-32; Ezek 34:17-31; Mt 9:9-17
SAT May 18 Feria	Ps 107:33-43, 108:1-6; Ezek 36:22-27; Eph 6:10-24	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11; Jn 21:20-25	Ps 33; Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20; 1 Pet 2:4-10
SUN May 19 Pentecost	Ps 118; Dt 16:9-12; Acts 4:18-21, 23-33	Acts 2:1-21 Ps 104:25-35, 37 Rom 8:22-27 Jn 15:26-27; 16:4b-15	Ps 145; Is 11:1-9; Jn 4:19-26

CLERGY

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