


We worship on the traditional lands of the Esquimalt, Songhees and other Nations of the Salish and Coast Salish Peoples. We, who came from many lands to join the line of Anglicans worshipping here, commit our Church to continue the journey of truth and reconciliation with our First Nations' neighbours.

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**The Anglican Parish of St. Peter and St. Paul**  
**December 30<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
**First Sunday after Christmas**  
**“Embracing and Spreading God’s Love”**



**We journey together in a year of Discipleship.**

**8:30 AM Holy Communion - Book of Common Prayer**

Said service begins on p. 67

**10:30 AM Morning Prayer - Service adapted from The New Zealand Prayer Book**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: Pastoral Symphony from The Messiah - *G.F. Handel*

Opening Statement: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Great is the Lord and worthy of all praise.

**All: Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour, power and might, be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.**

Let us sing together

**Opening Hymn: 128 - The Virgin Mary had a Baby Boy**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, let us praise and worship God who has called us together. Let us celebrate God's majesty, and delight in the wonder of God's love. Together we shall confess our sins and receive assurance that we are forgiven. As the scriptures are read, we can allow God's word to speak to us, and ponder its meaning for our lives. In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness, we pray for others as well as for ourselves, and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

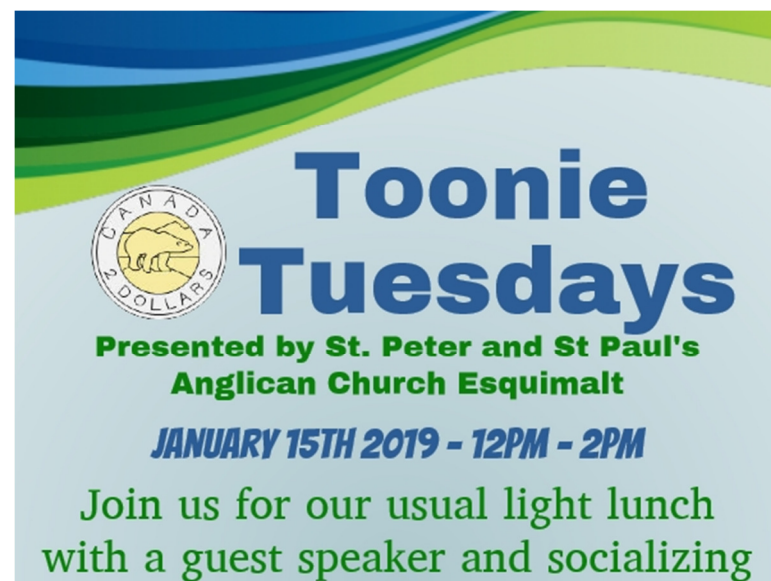
All this we do, because we believe in the presence among us of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

by Fiona Devereaux, Aboriginal Health Dietician with Island Health. To register, please contact Janet Christie at [sicoord@fpsss.com](mailto:sicoord@fpsss.com) or 778-430-5459.

There will be four events held this coming year which are geared to help non Aboriginal peoples understand Indigenous culture. These events are also open to those who may wish to consider fostering a child who is in the care of Surrounded by Cedar.

Members of St Peter and St Paul congregation are also welcome along with those interested in becoming foster parents or care givers. Please register early as seating is limited.

Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival 2019: April 17th – Classical Guitar, April 23rd – 27th Junior Strings at St. Peter and St Paul's Church. For more information visit: <http://www.gvpaf.org> or contact [festival@gvpaf.org](mailto:festival@gvpaf.org) or call 250-386-9223.



Pastoral Care: please contact the Wardens by leaving a message at the office or, in an emergency, please call one of the Wardens directly.

Bishop's Warden - Sharon Wickware - 250-686-6335

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Wednesday Holy Communion and Healing Service: Wednesday morning we have a Holy Communion Service at 10:00 am in the Pearcy Room. Join us for Morning Prayer, followed by some coffee and conversation in the parish hall afterwards. Please check back for further dates for the Wednesday Morning Holy Communion and Healing Services in 2019.

Compline Service: Compline service will continue on the first Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. each month in 2019 with the exception of January which will change from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup>. Until further notice, the service will be held in the Chapel, Lower floor in the Parish Hall.

Altar Flowers 2019: There is a new list for Altar Flowers for 2019 on the bulletin board near to the main entrance of the church, if you would like to participate by providing altar flowers for a service in 2019 please fill this sheet out and either write a message next to your week, or send your message a few weeks before to [stpeterandpaul@shaw.ca](mailto:stpeterandpaul@shaw.ca).

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<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/parish-of-st-peter-st-paul/>

Lunch and Learn event 'Setting the Table': January 30 2019, Supported and sponsored by Another Neighbors, Surrounded by Cedar and several other organizations:

Salish Elders remind us that true wealth is having access to native foods, along with the knowledge of how to gather, prepare and serve them. All social workers, caregivers and their families are welcome to join us for this cultural lunch and learn event. Facilitated

Hear these words of scripture. As God who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct.

**All: Spirit of God, search our hearts.**

**Offertory Hymn: 156 - The People that in Darkness Sat**

Doxology

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise Him all creatures here below.**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.**

**Praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**The Ministry of the Word**

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

*Margaret Mackenzie*

p. 214 Bible

Psalms 148

p. 907 BAS

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 3: 12-17

*Jean Smith*

p. 958 Bible

**Gradual Hymn: 129 - No Crowded Eastern Street**

Holy Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

p. 832 Bible

Sermon: *Rev. Wally Eamer*

**Hymn: 129 - No Crowded Eastern Street**

**Standing as you are able, let us renew our Baptismal Vows by saying together**

**The Creed:**

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
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,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,**

and 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.

**Prayers of the People:**

*Leatrice Lam*

*Silence*

..... *continues*: Let us confess our sins to God.

**All: God of mercy, we have sinned against you and against others. We have sinned in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, forgive us all that is past and raise us to newness of life. Amen.**

**Absolution**

*The Rev. Doug Friesen*

Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive your sins, strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

**All: Amen.**

**The Peace:**

*The Rev. Doug Friesen*

Let us sing together

**Hymn: 151 - All Poor Folk and Humble**

**Collect of the Day**

**All: Almighty God, you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word. May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Other Collects:**

Holy and ever living God, by your power we are created and by your love we are redeemed; guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**All: In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly**

**Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

As our Saviour taught us, let us say together:

**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.**

And let us close this time of prayer by saying together The Grace:

**All: 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**

Let us sing together

**Hymn: 153 - Good Christians All Rejoice**

**The Dismissal**

Deacon: Go now to love and serve the Lord.

**All: We go in the name of Christ**

**Postlude: "In dulci jubilo" - Dietrich Buxtehude**

*We thank those who prepared the sanctuary and those who had roles in the worship service today.*