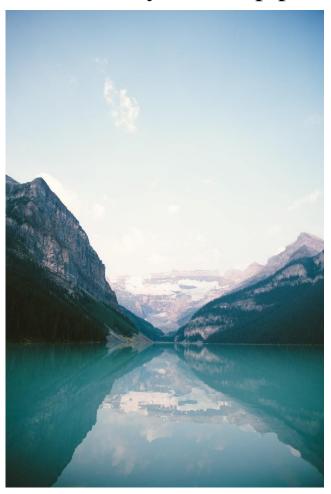
The Anglican Parish of
St. Peter and St. Paul
January 15th 2023
Second Sunday After Epiphany



"Nourishing faith and community"

Prelude

Words of Welcome (Please stand as clergy enters)

Musical opening SGP44 Part of the Family

(Text and music: James Manley, 1984 CCLI)

Refrain

Come in, come in and sit down, you are a part of the family. We are lost and we are found, and we are a part of the family.

You know the reason why you came, yet no reason can explain; so share in the laughter and cry in the pain, for we are a part of the family.

God is with us in this place, like a mother's warm embrace.

We're all forgiven by God's grace for we are a part of the family. **Refrain**

Children and elders, middlers and teens, singles and doubles and in-betweens, strong eighty-fivers and streetwise sixteens, for we are a part of the family.

Greeters and shoppers, long-time and new, nobody here has a claim on a pew; and whether we're many or only a few, we are a part of the family. **Refrain**

There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine; We are the branches, Christ is the vine. This is God's temple it's not yours or mine but we are a part of the family.
There's rest for the weary and health for us all there's a yoke that is easy and a burden that's small; so come in and worship and answer the call for we are a part of the family. **Refrain**

The Gathering of the Community

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

And also with you.

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Gloria (sung)

(Daniel Schutte Mass of Christ One licence)

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest And on earth, peace on earth Peace to people of goodwill.

We praise you, we bless You We adore you, we glorify You

We give you thanks, For your great glory. Lord God heavenly King, O God Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.
You take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.
You take away the sin of the world,
Receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand
The right hand of the Father
Have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One You alone are the Lord. You alone are the most High, Jesus Christ. With the Holy Spirit, in the glory Of God the Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest And on earth, peace on earth Peace to people of good will.

Amen, Amen.

Kyrie (sung)

Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy, have mercy on us.

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Lord have mercy Christ have mercy Lord have mercy, have mercy on us.

Let us pray,

Steadfast God, you have enriched and enlightened us by the revelation of your eternal Christ. Strengthen us to walk the path of his teaching, so that by word and deed and in the power of the Spirit we may manifest the gracious news of your faithfulness and love.

Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

Reading One: Isaiah 49:1-7

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my

servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.'

And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—he says,

'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 40:1-12

To the leader. Of David. A Psalm.

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry. **He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog,** and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord.

Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts towards us; none can compare with you.

Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.

Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.
Then I said, 'Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.
I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart.'

I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;

I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

Do not, O Lord, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.

For evils have encompassed me without number; **my iniquities have overtaken me, until I cannot see;** they are more than the hairs of my head, and my heart fails me.

Reading Two: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

A reading from Paul's letter to the Corinthians.

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn SGP 24 I Am the Light of the World

(Music/Jim and Jean Strathdee Text: In response to a Christmas poem by Howard Thurman © 1969 Desert Flower Music, One License)

Refrain:

"I am the light of the world! You people come and follow me!"
If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery

of what you were meant to do and be.

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and the shepherds have found their way home, the work of Christmas is begun. **Refrain**

To find the lost and lonely one, to heal the broken soul with love, to feed the hungry children with warmth and good food, to feel the earth below the sky above! **Refrain**

To free the pris'ner from all chains, to make the powerful care, to rebuild the nations with strength of good will, to see God's children ev'rywhere! **Refrain**

To bring hope to ev'ry task you do, to dance at a baby's new birth, to make music in an old person's heart, and sing to the colours of the earth! **Refrain**

Celtic Alleluia (sung)

(Fintan O'Caroll and Chris Walker OCP Publications One License) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel Reading: John 1:29-42

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The next day he[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of Christ **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Celtic Alleluia (sung)

(Fintan O'Caroll and Chris Walker OCP Publications One License)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Sermon: The Reverend Gail Rodger

Musical Moment for Reflection

Announcements

Hear O Israel (please stand)

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; welcoming of sinners and inviting us to table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness. (*Silence is kept*)

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.

(Please stand)

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus the Christ. **Amen**.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Hymn: CP 61 As We Gather At Your Table

(Text: Carl Daw. Jr, (1944-), 1989 Hope Publishing co; Music Alfred Fedak (1953-)1990 Selah Publishing Co. One License)

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.

Nourish us with the sacred story till we claim it as our own;

teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.

Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave; may we still be-hold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least.

there no more will envy blind us, nor will pride our peace destroy, and we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

Prayer over the Gifts:

Living God, you have revealed your Son as the Messiah. May we hear his word and follow it, and live as children of light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer (Please stand)

(Book of Alternative Service EP #1; musical setting CP719 The Great Thanksgiving setting #1)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: in our humanity you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

(sung)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

(sung)

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. (sung) **Amen. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

(Musical setting VU960 R Langdon)

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

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 them that 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.

The Breaking of the Bread We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The table of love is offered for all people. It is Christ who invites us to meet love incarnate here, and all are welcome.

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thank be to God.**

The Communion

(Communion will be offered from a standing position in front of the choir pews. It will be offered in one kind (bread only). It is the belief within the Anglican Church that receiving in one kind is considered full communion. If receiving, please walk single file on the right to the front. Remove mask and sanitize your hands just prior to receiving and re-mask to return to your seat. Responses to receiving the host include: Amen: Hallelujah; or Thanks be to God.)

Instrumental musical selections during communion

Prayer after Communion (please stand)

Let us pray,

God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

<u>Doxology</u>

Glory to God,

whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The blessing of the Holy Trinity; the loving Creator, who is the source of all being, of Jesus Christ who is the love incarnate in the world, and the ever present Holy Spirit, hold you, surround you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Musical Sending: CP 403 Let All Things Now Living

((Text: Katherine K. Davis (1892-1980), melody Welsh Traditional. C 1939 E.C. Schirmer Music Co. CCLI)

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the creator triumphantly raise, who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, who still guides us on to the end of our days.

Love's banners are o'er us; God's light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night, till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished.

as forward we travel from light into Light.

God's law still enforces the stars in their courses and causes the sun in its splendour to shine; the hills and mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean in praises combine. We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise till all things now living unite in thanksgiving: "To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!"

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Territorial Acknowledgement

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 those worshipping here, commit our Church to continue the journey of truth and reconciliation with our First Nations' neighbours.

Weekly Cycles of Prayer

We pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; for Linda Nicholls, our Primate; Chris Harper, the National Indigenous Archbishop; Diocese of Calgary, Bishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson and Indigenous Bishop Sidney Black; and the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canada.

In our diocese, we pray for our bishop, The Right Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee; and the interim priest in charge The Rev. Deb Rivet and the faithful people of Saint Philip, Cedar.

In our region, we pray for Christ Church Cathedral; The Rev Ross Bliss and the Rev. Jeannine Friesen and The Rev Canon Ian Powell.

In our parish we pray for Leatrice Lam; Doreen Langmeed, Rick and Charlotte Lawson, Nico Lohmann and Vanessa Wilson and Hapatia and Aurelia Lohmann.

In our community we pray for Neighbourhood House and those who are marginalized in our society.

For the month of January, we pray for our Pastoral Care Team.

Welcome to all those visiting us at St. Peter and St. Paul.

We welcome saints, seekers and sinners as we live into a life in Christ, learning about and from one another as we worship God together. Christ binds us together in love through our diversity. If you are comfortable, please give us your name and address so we can add you to our weekly prayer list. We are looking forward to getting to know you better.

Washrooms are found in the hall, up the stairs, on the right.

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