

*Welcome to the Anglican Parish
of St. Philip by-the-Sea*



“Journeying together in God’s love”

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Holy Eucharist from the Book of Alternative Services

Season of Creation

Welcome and announcements

Gathering Music: They'll know we are Christians

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored

And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
by our love
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love

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Opening Responses

The heavens declare the glory of God.
The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

The plants and trees show God's presence.
Let us join with creation in praising God.

God of all creation,
who moves and inspires us
through every time and season,
we bless you and praise you
for the gift of life in your good created world.
Grant to us grace and humility
to so order our lives that we may honour you
among all peoples and nations,
create wholesome and right companionship
with our fellow living creatures,
and work for the healing of this world
that you created.

**Teach us to see and hear your power
in the winds and waves,
mountains and valleys and rivers,
so that we may glorify your goodness to us
and live rightly in your creation.
We pray to you through Jesus Christ our
Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Spirit,
Three in One, One in Three,
now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated
at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**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. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Gracious God,
**you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
through the liberating love
of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

We sit.

First reading:

Philippians 2.1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25.1-8

To you, O Lord,
I lift up my soul;

my God, I put my trust in you;
**let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

Let none who look to you be put to shame;
**let the treacherous be disappointed
in their schemes.**

Show me your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
**remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**

Gracious and upright are you, O Lord;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.

We stand.

The Gospel:

Matthew 21.23-32

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven," he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin," we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?'

They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.'

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

We sit.

The Sermon: Reverend David Chillman

From a speech from Chief Seattle in 1854

This we know, the earth does not belong to us
we belong to the earth.

This we know, all things are connected:
like the blood which unites one family.

For we did not weave the web of life:
we are merely a strand of it.

Whatever we do to the web,
we do to ourselves.

We stand.

The Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord. He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He 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

Confession and Pardon

All creation invites us to join our voices in praise to God. Trusting in God's mercy and grace, let us confess our sin to God and one another.

**Generous God,
you created us
and placed us here to care for all of creation.
Forgive us for turning away from you
and for neglecting the earth.
Raise us up
and make us again stewards of your creation
that we may see your presence
in all that surrounds us;
through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Hear and receive this good news to all who long to see and encounter Christ. Today, salvation comes to this house. Know that we are forgiven and live in peace with one another and with the earth.

The Peace

You shall go out in joy and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you shall burst
into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap
their hands.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory Music: As the Deer Pants for the Water

As the deer pants for the water,
So my soul longs after You.
You alone are my hearts desire
And I long to worship You.

You alone are my strength, my shield,
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my hearts desire
And I long to worship You.

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Prayer over the gifts

**Bless these gifts and our lives, O God,
that we may share ourselves and our
belongings with those in need.
Lift up our voices with those of all creation
that sing out in praise for your grace
and love. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
for the gift of a world full of wonder,
and for our life which comes from you.
By your power you sustain the universe.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

You created us to love you with all our heart,
and to love each other as ourselves,
but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.
In Jesus, your Son,
you bring healing to our world
and gather us into one great family.
Therefore, with all who serve you
on earth and in heaven,
we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father,
because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us
you showed us how much you love us.
He cares for the poor and the hungry.
He suffers with the sick and the rejected.
Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back
but overcame hatred with love.

On the cross he defeated the power
of sin and death.

By raising him from the dead
you show us the power of your love
to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them,
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which is shed for you and for many,
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me."

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God,
with this bread and wine
we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus,
and we offer ourselves to you in him.
Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,
that we may know the presence of Jesus
in the breaking of bread,
and share in the life
of the family of your children.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Father, you call us to be your servants;
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that all the world may gather in joy
at the table of your kingdom.
We sing your praise, almighty Father,
through Jesus, our Lord,
in the power of the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.
Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour has taught us, let us pray,
**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.**

Breaking of the bread

Christ meets us at this table.
Today, salvation comes to this community.
**As bread is broken, and wine shared,
we are thankful.**

Invitation to Communion

Jesus invites us to come to the table.
Here, in this bread and wine,
may we encounter Christ
who calls us to care for the poor, the earth,
and all who are in need.
All who long for Christ are welcome at this table.
The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

All are welcome to come and receive Holy Communion.

Prayer after communion

**God of abundance,
with this bread of life and cup of salvation
you have united us with Christ,
making us one with all your people.
Now send us forth in the power of your
Spirit, so that we may proclaim your
redeeming love to the world and continue
forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ,
our Lord. Amen.**

Doxology

**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.**

Sending Music:

Shout to the North

Men of faith, rise up and sing
Of the great and glorious King;
You are strong when you feel weak,
In your brokenness complete.

Shout to the north and the south,
Sing to the east and the west:
Jesus is Saviour to all,
Lord of heaven and earth.

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Blessing

May God the Creator who made heaven and earth
bless us with creativity and wonder.
May Jesus who walked through fields and cities
bless us with kind hands and listening ears.
May the Holy Spirit who is around us and within us
bless us with the courage to be caring and just;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Sending Forth

Tend the earth, care for God's good creation,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

In the Worldwide Anglican Communion: Pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan. The Most Revd Ezekiel Kumir Kondo - Archbishop of the Province of Sudan & Bishop of Khartoum.

In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for: Ansley, the diocesan administrator. We pray for S. Michael & All Angels, Royal Oak - Dawna Wall. We also pray for the Diocese of Kootenay - Bishop Lynne McNaughton.

This week in our Parish Family of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we pray for our priest, David Chillman and for Jude Chillman. We pray for Brenda & Bill Poppy, Olga Power, Sandra & Rob Price and for all their families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the world.

A special thanks to Mick Gibbs – today’s musician.

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