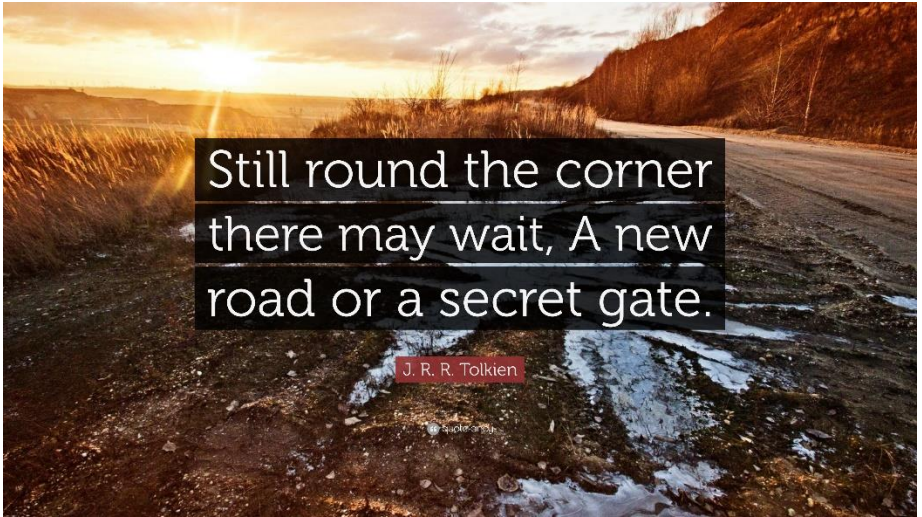


*Welcome to the Anglican Parish
of St. Philip by-the-Sea*



“Journeying together in God’s love”

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Welcome and announcements

Greeting

If we come because we have much to be thankful for, or because we have been torn by the world and need healing, **we are in the right place.**

If we come because your deeds and words have added to the world's misery, or because we feel we have betrayed our true selves, **we are in the right place.**

If we come with a love in our hearts for the Most High, a love which yearns to grow and spill over into our dealings with others, **we are certainly in the right place.**

The joy of Christ Jesus be with you all!
and also with you!

Penitence

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

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. Amen.

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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm: 51:1-12

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; **according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, **and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions, **and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, **so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement.**

Indeed, I was born guilty, **a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

You desire truth in the inward being; **therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; **wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

First reading: **2 Samuel 11:26 – 12:13a**

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.'

Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.'

Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.' Nathan said to David, 'Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die.'

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Gospel:

John 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, ‘Rabbi, when did you come here?’ Jesus answered them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.’ Then they said to him, ‘What must we do to perform the works of God?’ Jesus answered them, ‘This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.’ So they said to him, ‘What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, “He gave them bread from heaven to eat.”’ Then Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’ They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this bread always.’

Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

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The Sermon: The Reverend Deborah Rivet

What we believe

**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

Let us pray.

Lord of all, we seek your blessing on the people of this world.
Tear us away from all that evades the truth and thereby adds
to misery. Gather us in towards your light and love and
peace.

**Let your Spirit challenge and transform Christian
congregations that are self satisfied. Discomfort
those that are so entrenched in practices that they
treat anyone who does not exactly share their
dogma or life style as a sinner and enemy.**

Let your Spirit challenge and transform communities where
racism and injustice are accepted as normal, or even lauded a
good thing. Break through closed minds and soften hard
hearts, that the inclusive love of Christ may be embraced and
practised.

Let your Spirit challenge and transform our parliaments and politicians, our commissions and committees and agencies. Overcome our human pride, greed and humbug, and hasten the day when humanity shall treasure all its members.

Let your Spirit challenge and transform cities that are prosperous but lack a soul, and rural towns that are clannish and divided by old quarrels, or dominated by a selfish few who have the clout of inherited family prestige or the power of new wealth.

Let your Spirit challenge and transform families that foster arrogance and disrespect of others. Bring to account those who cultivate indifference towards their needy neighbours and esteem the plundering of the weak and vulnerable.

Let your Spirit challenge and transform each of us. That free of self justification, and relying totally on your grace, we may be Christians who give our best without counting the cost, and accept our limitations without self-disparagement.

Lord of all, we seek your blessing also on those whose lives are in disarray: Those who have lost their jobs, endured marriage break up, been diagnosed with serious illness, suffered accidents, watched their loved ones die, and any who are despairing.

Loving God, you alone fully know both our need and its best remedy. Please save those who cry for your help, and those who feel unable even to do that. Through Christ Jesus our Saviour.

Amen.

Collect

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

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.

Conclusion

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Be steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and untiring in love all the days of your life. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you now and always.
Amen.

In the Worldwide Anglican Communion: Pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia

In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for: Anna, our bishop. Parish of Pender & Saturna Islands - Ellen Willingham. Territory of the People.

This week in our Parish Family of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we pray for our interim priest, Heather Robinson. We pray for Doreen Smith, Ferris Snyder, Douglas Sowden and for all their families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the world.

