# St. Paul's Cathedral

# Territory of the People

Anglican Church of Canada, Kamloops, BC
Joyful, Rooted, Hospitable, Responsive
Sunday, March 20, 2022 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

Today's service originates from the traditional territory of the Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc – Kamloops & Area First Nation. We acknowledge their care for and working of the land prior to contact with Europeans. As Canadian Anglicans, we continue to work toward healing and reconciliation and a new experience of sharing the land together.

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral, a place where all are invited to join us in worship and fellowship. We love and respect all of God's people and for the safety of all we ask if you are joining us for worship and are 12 or over please have both COVID-19 vaccinations. If you have had both vaccines and are joining us for in person service please wear a mask along with social distancing. If you choose not to be vaccinated please join our online service that is live streamed each week on our Facebook Page. We apologize for any inconvenience. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Rev Len Interim Priest

The Peace of Wild Things by Wendell Berry

When despair for the world grows in me and I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.

I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief. I come into the presence of still water.

And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting with their light. For a time I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

Piano Prelude: Meditations of my heart by Elaine Hagenberg-(c) 2018, Backenhorst Press

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

Melissa Green

Opening Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise -CP 393 - Alison

- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes. Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
- 2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Not wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might. Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. To all life thou givest, to both great and small; In all life thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish, but nought changest thee.
- 4. Great Source of all glory and wisdom and light, Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; All laud we would render: O help us to see 'Tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

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The Gathering of the Community

Bishop Jane

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

#### 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.

Kyrie Eleison Alison

Kyrie eleison x3 Christe eleison x3 Kyrie eleison x3

### **GATHERING OF CHILDREN**

Melissa Green

Loving God,

We give thanks for our children gathered with us here in this space and for those at home with their families.

We pray for our children, that they will come to know you and grow in their faith.

We pray for their parents, that in the busyness of life they will see you as they guide and nourish their children.

We pray for ourselves, that we may find ways to support, connect with, and pray for these families.

May these children engage with you in adventures, dwell on your goodness, find you in the moments of difficulty, and recognize your presence through all of their days.

Bless their time together this morning as they learn, pray, and play. Amen.

The children are invited to go down to Sunday School, they will re-join families and the congregation during the offertory hymn.

Hymn as children leave for Sunday School: I am walking a Path of Peace MV 221 I am walking a path of Peace (3X)

Lead me Home, lead me Home.

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COLLECT: Let us pray

Bishop Jane

God of mercy,

alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

#### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH Barb Liotscos

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your

thoughts. ISAIAH 55:1-9

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

Psalm: 63: 1-8

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise.

So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the night watches.

For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

# A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS DJ Clarke

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them,

and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

1 CORINTHIANS 10:1-13

Hear what the Spirit says to all people Thanks be to God

GRADUAL: Spirit, Open My heart - MV 79 - Alison Two verses and chorus before the Gospel:

Chorus:

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living, As you love may I love, to receiving and in giving, Spirit, open my heart.

- 1. God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender, All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. (to chorus)
- 2. Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story, In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. (to chorus)

GOSPEL Bishop Jane

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam - fell on them - do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did." Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' He replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.""

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

#### After the Gospel:

3. May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister, brother, In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another/ (to chorus) words by Ruth Duck; traditional Irish melody arr. Arthur Clyde - (c) 1997, The Pilgrim Press

SERMON Bishop Jane

# The Apostles' Creed

**Bishop Jane** 

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we sav. 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

Melissa Green

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Bishop Jane

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his 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. 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.** 

Passing of the peace (social distancing rules in effect)

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

Offertory: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy -CP 606 Alison

- 1. There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.
- 2. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven; There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgement given.
- 3. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that has been shed;

There is joy for all the members in the sorrow of the head.

- 4. Foolish hearts, why will you scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep? Fainting souls, why will you wander from a love so true and deep.
- 5. For the love of God is broader than the measure of our mind, And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. text by Frederick Faber; music by Johann Steiner - public domain

#### THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts:
Gracious God,
we know your power to triumph over weakness.
May we who ask forgiveness
be ready to forgive one another,
in the name of Jesus the Lord.
Amen.

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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer

and more generous in the works of love. Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

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 thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh. Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.
We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation.

the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour 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.

Dear friends, I invite you in this moment, wherever you may be, to receive Christ, in communion with the saints, and the gathering of God's people, unseen and yet present with us now. Many are made one.

(the gifts are elevated): We receive you Lord Jesus Christ,

We welcome your presence in us, and together proclaim our love for you; with our hearts, minds, our souls and our strength, with the saints we worship you, with the angels we adore you, with your whole Church we proclaim your reign. Come to us, though many, and make us one in you.

Communion is shared at this point as possible according to local COVID-19 protocols. Prayer ministry will be offered at the back of the church in the entrance area for those wishing prayer for their own or others' needs

# Agnus Dei - Alison

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world. Grant us your peace.

# **Prayer After Communion:**

God of mercy and forgiveness, may we who share this sacrament live together in unity and peace, in the name of Jesus Christ the 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.

Blessing:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Melissa Green

# CLOSING HYMN: Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah - CP 565 Alison

- 1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah pilgrim through the barren land. I am weak but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; Feed me till I want no more.
- 2. Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, Be thou still thy strength and shield.
- 3. When I tread the verge of Jordon, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

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# **Dismissal Song:** Alison Go Now in Peace - SFGP 67

Go now in peace, go now in peace, May the love of God surround you ev'rywhere, Ev'rywhere you may go.

Sung twice

by Natalie Sleeth (c) 1976, Hinshaw music

<u>Piano Postlude:</u> Our God is Great by Joseph Martin by Joesph Martin -(c) 1999, Shawnee Press

Kyrie Eleison, Lord's Prayer, and Agnus Dei - music by Gordon Light from his Mass of St. George -(c) St. George's Anglican, Edmonton, AB.

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#### WORSHIP MINISTERS at 10 a.m. service

Worship Leaders: Bishop Jane Alexander, Melissa Green; Music Director: Gail Ovington; Hymn Leader: Alison Rustand; Pianist: Pat Rustand; Prayer Ministry: David, Barb; Altar Guild: Elaine, Alison, Suzy; Greeters: Mavis Chalmers, Linda Jackson; Lock Up: Jim Waldie; Prayers of the People: Melissa Green; Readers: Barb L, DJ Clarke; Offering Counter – Bob King; Technology – Dylan Rexin, Pat Ebert; Envelope Secretary: Trish Waldie

#### Coffee Time volunteers needed!

Thank you to all the willing participants for our coffee time roster! I only need four more volunteers and we will have enough to cover two months. Then your turn will only come up every other month!! If you can't commit to being on the roster, consider being a spare!! Again, there will a signup sheet on the coffee table this Sunday or you can email me at jimandgracew@gmail.com

Blessings,

Grace

#### **Easter Flowers**

It is that time of year again – time to start thinking about Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers for Easter in living memory or in celebration of someone please call Barry Baskin – 250-372-8827. We are hoping to put 3 arrangements on Easter Sunday.

#### Missed the world Day of Prayer?

The whole video of service of the 2022 World Day of Prayer service can be found on the rcdk.org website under masses live streamed from Sacred Heart Cathedral. Canon Margaret Mitchell delivered the devotional message. Rae Long was one of the readers. Over 100 people participated in person or during the live streamed service.