

ST. TIMOTHY

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Meeting on the Traditional Territories of the
Musqueam, Squamish, & Tsleil Waututh Nations

DECEMBER 11, 2016 ADVENT 3

Vocation

Discovering God's Path for You



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*During Advent this year, our theme is “Stages of the Christian Life”.
As we light the candles on the wreath, we reflect on our life-long journey to
know and love Jesus Christ.
Today, our third candle is for **Vocation**: Discovering God’s path for you.*

Our Greeter today is Lourdes Cabral. Server is Gordon Arthur.
Communion Assistants are Pat Ray & Becky Barnes.
Sidespersons are Bev Edwards & Owen Edwards. Crucifer is Gwen Dixon.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR 10 AM HOLY COMMUNION

Our hymnbooks are the blue Common Praise (CP) and the bright green Songs for a Gospel People (SGP). Bibles and music for the mass are found in the pews.

The Gathering of the Community

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The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Advent song: “The King Shall Come” Verse 1-3

(For music, see sheet in pews)

1. The King shall come when morning dawns
and light triumphant breaks,
When beauty gilds the eastern hills
and life to joy awakes.
2. Not as of old a little child,
To bear and fight and die,
But crowned with glory like the sun
That lights the morning sky.
3. Oh, brighter than the rising morn
When Christ, victorious, rose
And left the lonesome place of death
Despite the rage of foes.

Advent 3 Candle: **Vocation**

Children’s Talk

Collect of the Day

(said by all)

God of glory and compassion, at your touch the wilderness blossoms. Grant perseverance and patience to all who long for your Son’s return, so that we may announce in word and deed the good news of the kingdom. We ask this through Christ whose day draws near. Amen.

Processional Hymn: “Your Kingdom Come” – On Bended Knee”

CP # 116

During the Processional Hymn, all young people are invited to follow the children’s cross downstairs for KidsChurch. They will return shortly before Communion.

Greeting:

BAS p. 185

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

People: And also with you.

Presider: Almighty God,

All: 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.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: **Isaiah 35:1-10** (Pat Ray)

Bible p. 663 OT

Psalm 146:

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! * I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, * in mortals in whom there is no help.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, * and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps promises for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, * and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 The Lord shall reign forever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: **James 5:7-10** (Pablo Sharpe)

Bible p. 231 NT

Gradual Hymn: “When the King Shall Come Again” Ver. 1+2 before Gospel CP # 109

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Holy Gospel: **Matthew 11:2-11** (Charles Barnes)

Bible p. 11 NT

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gradual Hymn: "When the King Shall Come Again" Ver. 3 after Gospel

CP # 109

Sermon: "Life Is A Highway"

Rev. Stephanie Shepard

Confession, Absolution and the Peace:

BAS p. 191

Presider: Dear friends in Christ...

...confident in God's forgiveness.

~ *Silence is kept.* ~

Presider: Most merciful God...

All: 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.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you...

...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Presider: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with your neighbours.

Offertory Hymn: "Here in This Place New Light Is Streaming"

CP # 465

Prayer over the Gifts

(said by all)

God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sursum Corda

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Eucharistic Prayer #4

BAS p. 201

Presider: It is right to give you thanks and praise...
...you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: At your command all things came to be...
...by your will they were created and have their being.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: From the primal elements...
...you made us the stewards of creation.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: But we turn against you, and betray your trust...
...the way of freedom and peace.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Therefore, we praise you...
...in their unending hymn:

Sanctus/Benedictus:

Haugen, pg. 11

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in your name.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

Presider: Blessed are you, Lord our God...
...do this for the remembrance of me.”

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Gracious God, we recall...
...may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider: Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth...
...all honour and glory are yours, creator of all.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer:

BAS p. 211

The Breaking of Bread #5

Presider: God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All: Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Fraction Hymn: "Lamb of God"

Haugen, pg. 14

- 1. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
- 2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
- 3. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
- 4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
- 5. Lamb of God, you give us hope as we wait for you: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
- 6. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant peace.**

All seekers of Christ are welcome at this table.

To receive a piece of bread and to drink from the common cup, please indicate by holding out both hands. To receive a wafer to dip in the wine, please indicate by holding out one hand. To receive a blessing, cross your arms.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymn: "The Love of Jesus Calls Us"

CP # 434

Prayer after Communion:

(said by all)

Merciful God, may this eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with unending joy, and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord now and forever. Amen.

Parish Prayer:

(said by all)

Lord, your Holy Spirit hovered over the waters at the Creation. Send your Spirit on us once more to recreate us in your image and to inspire us to live faithfully in the world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: "Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining"

CP # 460

Dismissal:

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In Our Diocese: The Deanery of Royal City / South Burnaby – The Rev. Gordon Barrett, Regional Dean

Our Church Leaders: Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, Primate of Canada Fred Hiltz, National Lutheran Bishop Susan Johnson, National Anglican Indigenous Bishop (N.A.I.B.) Mark MacDonald, Provincial Archbishop John Privett, Lutheran Synod of BC Bishop Greg Mohr, our Bishop Melissa Skelton

In our Parish: Wendy P., Bonita P. (Becky’s mom), Lisa, Shannon B., Symonds family, Lenora, Judith, Trudi S., Stella H., Alex, Darryl, Charles & Becky, Brad J., Anne A., Simon G., Angela I., Shirley R., Barr family, Lois G., Rosemary L., Lizz L., Lin A., Maribeth M.

If you would like your name or that of your loved one on the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office with an update.

UPCOMING READINGS

Readings for Sunday Night Prayer

Psalm 103

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3, 13-17

10 am Holy Eucharist: December 18, 2016 – Advent 4: Discipleship

Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday	Dec. 15	7:30 pm	Parish Council Gathering at Rectory
Sunday	Dec. 18	10:00 am	Christmas Pageant 2016 – “By the Light of a Star”
Saturday	Dec. 24	7:00 pm	Bethlehem Mass – Family Service
		11:00 pm	Midnight Mass
Sunday	Dec. 25	10:00 am	Christ Mass
Sunday	Jan. 01	10:00 am	1st Sunday after Christmas – Lessons and Carols – Rev. Jeannette Stigger presiding
Sunday	Jan. 08	10:00 am	Epiphany Service – Rev. Neil Fernyhough

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Eric, by Eva Hodge.

HOSPITALITY TIME – Coffee & tea service today is provided by Bev Edwards & Liz Mc Ewan.

CANONICAL COMMITTEE UPDATE – The process of recruiting an interim priest is moving forward. The Canonical Committee will be conducting interviews in the coming days, and we ask for your prayers for this process.

