

Welcome to the parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, Lantzville B.C.

Sunday, January 26th, 2025 Third Sunday after Epiphany 9:30 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer (Book of Alternative Services)

<u>**The Opening Hymn**</u> – CP #425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Opening Sentence

Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every infirmity among the people. *Matthew 4:23*

<u>The First Reading</u>

A Reading from the Book of Nehemiah (Ch. 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10)

PSALM 19 REFRAIN The words of the Lord are spirit and life.

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork. One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another. \bf{R}

Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard, their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world. **R**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course. It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat. **R**

REFRAIN The words of the Lord are spirit and life.

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent. The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes. \mathbf{R}

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. \mathbf{R}

By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward. Who can tell how often he offends? cleanse me from my secret faults. \bf{R}

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **R**

<u>The Second Reading</u> from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (*Ch. 12:12-31A*)

<u>The Gradual Hymn</u> – CP #487 Where Charity and Love Prevail (*verses 1, 5 & 6*)

The Gospel Reading

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Ch. 4:14-21)

The Offertory Hymn – CP #631 The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

The Offertory Sentence

Loving God, before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Recessional Hymn - CP #619 Fairest Lord Jesus

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Your leadership, support and example are greatly valued and appreciated. **THANK YOU!**

<u>Announcements</u>

- **2025 Flowers for the Altar** calendar is available for sign-up.
- Annual Vestry is scheduled for Sunday, February 23rd at 11:00 am
- 2024 Tax Receipts will be emailed out the last week of January. If you prefer to have a printed copy of your receipt, please contact Louise Cianflone at **lcianflone56@gmail.com**

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the life of my daughter Joanna by Grace Plueckhahn.

In the Worldwide Anglican Community, we pray for: The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria. In our Diocese of British Columbia, we pray for: Anna, our bishop; Church of the Advent, Colwood. This week in our Parish of St. Philip by-the-Sea, we pray for: Betty Feick, Rod Foggett, Susan Gates, Mick Gibbs, Don Gillett and for all their families. We pray for peace and for all refugees around the world.

UPCOMING SERVICE REMINDERS

Sunday, February 2nd, 2025, 9.30am The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Temple Service of Morning Prayer (BCP) Service Leader: David Wilson

> Sunday, February 9th, 2025, 9.30am Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Service of Holy Communion (BAS) Celebrant: The Rev. Caleb Lawrence

> Sunday, February 16th, 2025, 9.30am Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Service of Morning Prayer (BCP) Service Leader: Doug Sowden

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