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16 March 2025

Second Sunday in Lent

**Holy Eucharist**

Service outline, Parish News & Events

**8 am**  **HOLY COMMUNION**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**9.30 am**  **FAMILY COMMUNION**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Celebrant: Fr. Allen Doerksen

Praise Songs

**The Gathering of the Community**

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

Greeting

*Kyrie eleison* (Lord have mercy)

Collect

**The Story of Faith is Proclaimed**

Children’s Time – Tenebrae candles

First Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Gradual Hymn

*Children & Youth leave for their programs during the gradual hymn*

Gospel Acclamation: *Your Word (sung)*

Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

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Sermon

*A short period of silent reflection follows,*

*signalled by the sound of a bell*

Affirmation of Faith *for Lent*

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution BAS 191

The Peace BAS 192

Offertory

Prayer over the Gifts BAS 289

Doxology: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Eucharistic Prayer BAS 198

Sanctus: *Holy, holy, holy Lord*

The Lord’s Prayer (*sung)*  BAS 211

Breaking of the Bread BAS 213 #7

The Communion

Prayer after Communion BAS 289

Doxology: Glory to God BAS 214

Announcements & Birthday Box

Blessing BAS 684

Closing Song

Dismissal BAS 215



**Welcome to Communion**

We want you to feel welcome at St. Philip. All are encouraged to come forward to receive the bread (communion wafer) and wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your head and hands down. If you are more comfortable not drinking from the cup, you may keep your head down and let it pass, or return to your pew after receiving the bread. Please tell the person distributing the bread if you require a gluten-free wafer. Prayer Ministers are available during Communion at the 9:30 am service, at the side of the altar.

**Offering**

It is Anglican custom to receive a financial offering in our worship, as an expression of gratitude to God. Please do not feel compelled to participate in this offering.

Your presence is gift enough.

*The abbreviation BAS in the service order refers to page numbers in the Book of Alternative Services, the green volume in the pews. CP is Common Praise, the blue hymn book.*

***Please join us for coffee and fellowship downstairs after the service.***



**Services this week**

**16 March 2025 – Second Sunday in Lent**

**8am** Holy Communion

**9am** Community prayers downstairs in the youth room

**9.30am** Eucharist, in-person & live streamed via Facebook Live

* Celebrant & preacher: Fr. Allen Doerksen
* Altar Guild: Jackie Prowse, Kathy Fyfe
* Usher: Bruce Richmond
* Music leader:  Shannon Carmichael, Stacy McGhee
* Readers:  Gaye Stone, Rev. Rebecca Yeo
* Prayers of the People: Lisa Alexander
* Powerpoint & slides:  Clayton Savage, Marcus Schlag
* Facebook Live: Karishma Iyer
* Children's ministry:  Gerianne Knowles-Robson
* Youth ministry: Ruth McGhee
* Coffee: Karen van Rheenen, Louise Bluck
* Offerings counters: Betty Davidson, Anna Sander

**18 March, Tuesday** 10.30am Contemplative Prayer

**20 March, Thursday** ***11am*** Holy Communion followed by book study at noon

**Parish notices**

[***Financial update - February 2025***](https://dq5pwpg1q8ru0.cloudfront.net/2025/03/11/20/16/19/0c8607de-8923-4568-8895-da79dee129a7/2025%2002%20Treasurer%20Update.pdf)

Here is a summary of Parish income and expenses for Feb 2025:  
Income: $24,300, of which:

* Offerings: $16,700
* Rental: $2,000
* Other: $5,600

Expenses: $36,200, of which:

* Salaries: $17,400
* Synod: $3,400
* Other: $15,400

Balance: ($11,900)

Note that this accounting reflects the date of bank deposits or cheques cashing, rather than when the expenses occurred or donation was made. The ‘Other’ income line was interest on GICs.

Notable ‘Other’ expenses included:

* $8,700 for a substantial part of our sound system upgrade
* $1,000 gas bill,
* $2,500 donation to PWRDF
* *Mark Laidlaw*



***News Roundup on the website: especially for Shaw & Hotmail subscribers - please share***

If you are still not receiving the weekly St Philip e-newsletter on Fridays, PLEASE CHECK THE PARISH WEBSITE

www.stphilipvictoria.ca

Most news and events items in the newsletter are routinely posted on the News and Events sections of the website first.

**New feature on the website**: news roundup in the News section, links to all the newsletter items together, published on Fridays. This is an alternative for those whose Shaw email still isn’t letting the e-newsletter through.



***Scent-Free Church - Please leave fragrances at home***

As we gather together in worship and community, we want to ensure that everyone feels welcome and comfortable in our church. For some members of our congregation and visitors, the chemicals in strong scents can cause discomfort or health issues.

We kindly ask that you help us create a scent-free environment and workplace by being mindful of the fragrances you wear or bring with you into church. This includes avoiding use of perfumes, colognes, scented lotions, and other fragrant products.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Together, we can make our church a place where everyone can feel at home.



***Contemplative Prayer***

Please join us on Tuesday mornings, 10:30 - 11:30, meeting in the choir area of the nave (at the front of the church), for a 20 minute contemplative sit with a time of prayer following.



***Thursday Eucharist at 11am for the next 2 weeks***

**On 20 and 27 March 2025, the Thursday Eucharist will begin at 11am*.*** Following the service on those 2 Thursdays, please join us at church at 12 noon for Diocesan Book Club, via Zoom on the big screen (or on Zoom from home). The regular 10am start time will resume on Thursday 3 April.

[***Diocesan Book Club***](https://bc-anglican-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/pSxHF3fkR6i-89zXSZv2wg#/registration) ***- be sure to tune in this week!***

Thursdays from 12-1:15pm via Zoom

Book: [No Matter What: Crisis and the Spirit of Planetary Possibility](https://www.fordhampress.com/9781531508739/no-matter-what/) by [Catherine Keller](https://catherineekeller.com/)\*

March 20- Week 3: Power and Its Alternatives **with Allen Doerksen**March 27- Week 4: Love-tangles of Theology with Juli Mallet

 \*The author will be here in Victoria in late April to speak at the first session of the John Albert Hall Lectures event, at Christ Church Cathedral.



***Next*** [***Parish Council meeting***](http://stphilipvictoria.ca/events/parish-council-meeting--559/2025-03-25)***:*** Tuesday, March 25, 2025

7pm at the church. All are welcome to attend.



***Taizé Prayer at St Philip Thurs 27 March***

All are welcome to a candlelit service of song, silence and contemplation in the style of the Taizé Community on Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 7pm.



***Volunteer opportunity: Offerings Coordinator & Counters***

Our long-standing Offerings Coordinator, Betty Davidson, would like to pass on a role she has fulfilled since 2018, and is looking for a successor who would like the opportunity to serve the St Philip community in this way. The role could be shared.

We are also looking for volunteers to join the team of offerings counters - this is always done with another person, and can be arranged for either after the 9.30 service on Sunday or on a Monday afternoon.



***Staying Grounded in Times of Chaos:***

***A Lenten series from the Diocese of Islands and Inlets***

This season of Lent is a time of intentional reflection when we make space in our lives for God to change our hearts in preparation for the new life that awaits us in the resurrection we celebrate at Easter.

This year we will share brief videos in a series called Staying Grounded in Times of Chaos. Those who have gone before us have lived in chaotic times as well, and passed wisdom on to us as we follow Christ today. In this series, voices across our diocese will share practices from our tradition that help us live out our faith when the world feels crazy. We begin our series with Brendon Neilson, Executive Director.

To begin watching the series, please go to <https://bc.anglican.ca/news/a-lenten-series> . A new video will be released every Wednesday between now and Holy Week.



***Victoria Sketch Club Annual Art Show and Sale, March 18-23***

Opening Tues 18 March 4-7pm, show continues Wed-Sat 10-6, Sun 10-3 - Glenlyon-Norfolk School New Gym, 1701 Beach Dr

Artists will be in attendance, over 140 original paintings for sale

Door prize draw noon Sunday 23 March



***Update: Hope Home, Haiti, from Gladys Thomas***

There is a new Newsletter of The Foundation for the Children of Haiti from Gladys Thomas, providing an update on recent developments in Haiti – print copy posted on the notice board downstairs, or read online <https://tinyurl.com/4tcv667u>



***Socks for Easter: Street Hope***

We are gathering Socks and Easter Treats to make Happy Easter greetings for the unhoused community on Pandora, as part of Street Hope Victoria's Easter Chocolate drive.

What's needed? any number or combination of:

* pairs of new socks (boot length or longer),
* and treats to put inside such as
  + 1 chocolate bar (ex. Snickers, Mars bar, etc.)
  + 1 small chocolate Easter egg (ex. Cadbury cream egg)
  + 1 small bag of M&Ms OR 3 individually wrapped Ferrero-Rocher or Lindt/Lindor chocolate balls/truffles
  + 1 small Easter card with a nice uplifting message from you to the recipient; no envelope required

We are hoping to collect 100 pairs. We will be collecting these items until March 30. They will be blessed on Palm Sunday and handed over to the Street Hope volunteers to give out.

There will be a box in the narthex for donated items. Thank You!

*- St Philip Missions Committee*



***Peace and Solidarity: Fundraising Concert Sponsoring a Syrian-Palestinian Refugee Family - An Evening of Arabic, Celtic & Jewish Music Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 7 pm***

***Christ Church Cathedral*** *(Entrance from Quadra St.)*

***Featuring***

***Sari Alesh (violin) and Dave Conway (guitar)***

***Kvell’s Angels Klezmer Band***

A Multi-Faith Collaboration of Christ Church Cathedral and Congregation Emanu-El, together with Christian, Muslim, Jewish and unaffiliated individual participants

Middle Eastern Delicacies served during intermission

Admission by Donation - doubled with matching funds



***Syrian-Palestinian refugee sponsorship - from our friends at Congregation Emanu-El***

The end of March fundraising deadline is rapidly approaching. To learn more about this initiative and the family, and for donation instructions and contact details:

https://congregationemanuel.shulcloud.com/payment.php?donation\_type\_id=7603841

Members of a recently sponsored family are looking for a used stand mixer and spare tools to help with employment.

Please contact us with any questions at CEE.Refugee@gmail.com

*Shalom/Salaam - Robert Oppenheimer, Chair, Congregation Emanu-El Refugee Project*



***Issues with Shaw emails not receiving weekly newsletters***

Things you can do if your Shaw or Hotmail email address has recently stopped delivering St Philip’s weekly newsletters to you:

* find an old newsletter email from [admin@stphilipvictoria.ca](mailto:admin@stphilipvictoria.ca), get your email program to “whitelist” or mark the sending address (admin@stphilipvictoria.ca) as a “safe sender”.
* Add [admin@stphilipvictoria.ca](mailto:admin@stphilipvictoria.ca) to your Contacts list
* adjust your Shaw spam filter settings. Do check your junk/spam mail folder, and keep checking it regularly.
* Mark as “Not Junk” any legitimate emails that get into the junk/spam folder, to help the system learn
* forward a previous newsletter e-mail to [**reportnotspam@shaw.ca**](mailto:reportnotspam@shaw.ca).

You may need to do these more than once before they take effect.

Others with the same problem report that they were able to use these instructions in Shaw Webmail:

https://support.therae.com/hc/en-us/articles/360050482671-Not-receiving-some-emails-Add-to-Whitelist#h\_01G7FNQ1JY71Z42FQ7FT8SCG89

*- Anna*



***Prayers & readings for Sun 16 March & the following week:***

We pray for Anna, our bishop; Allen, our rector; and Rebecca, our deacon. In our parish cycle of prayer, we pray for the members of our eight o'clock congregation.

This week our diocese prays for the parish of St Andrew, Sidney, and their incumbent, Kelly Duncan.

In the ecclesiastical provincial cycle of prayer, we pray for the Diocese of Kootenay and Bishop Lynne McNaughton.

This week the Anglican Church of Canada prays for The Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Quebec.

In the Anglican Communion cycle of prayer, we pray for The Diocese of Cork, Cloyne and Ross – The Church of Ireland..

**Collect:**  Brooding Spirit, beneath your wings there is creation and life: accompany us on the difficult path with the disappeared, the broken and the fearful, so that we find the way to the city of our peace where we are all accepted as your beloved; through the cross of Jesus Christ, our only Lord. Amen. (Prayers For An Inclusive Church (2009))

**Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer for the week:**

* Mon Mar 17 Diocese of Malek Rup – South Sudan
* Tues Mar 18 Diocese of Malindi – Kenya
* Wed Mar 19 Te Pihopatanga o Te Manawa o Te Wheke – The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia
* Thurs Mar 20 Diocese of Manchester – Church of England
* Fri Mar 21 Diocese of Mandalay – Myanmar (Burma)
* Sat Mar 22 Diocese of Manicaland – Central Africa

**BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

[**Lectionary for Sunday 16**](https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts/?y=382&z=p&d=86) **March**: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

* Mon Mar 17 Psalm 105:1-42; Exodus 33:1-6; Romans 4:1-12
* Tues Mar 18 Ps 105:1-42; Numbers 14:10b-24; 1 Cor 10:1-13
* Wed Mar 19 Ps 105:1-42; 2 Chron 20:1-22; Luke 13:22-31
* Thurs Mar 20 Psalm 63:1-8; Daniel 3:19-30; Revelation 2:8-11
* Fri Mar 21 Psalm 63:1-8; Daniel 12:1-4; Revelation 3:1-6
* Sat Mar 22 Psalm 63:1-8; Isaiah 5:1-7; Luke 6:43-45

*Cover image: 20th century altar mosaic in the modern Dominus Flevit church (The Lord Wept), on the Mount of Olives, Jerusalem. The inscription starts at the bottom of the roundel and reads,* “Jerusalem Jerusalem quoties volui congregare filios tuos quemadmodum gallina congregat pullos suos sub alas*” (Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings)*

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**Parish Office Hours: Mon 1-4.30, Wed & Thurs 9-4.30**

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