

# St. John the Divine Anglican Church



Sunday March 21st, 2021  
Fifth Sunday in Lent  
Service of the Word

We gather on the unceded territory of the Squamish Nation

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*Take a deep breath.  
And again.*

### ***The Gathering of the Community***

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

**All:**            **And also with you.**

Leader        Let us pray.

**All**            **We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's  
Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing.  
Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past,  
and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

Leader        Dear friends in Christ,  
                  as we turn our hearts and minds  
                  to worship almighty God,  
                  let us confess our sins.

**All**            **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.**

Leader        Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,  
                  that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind;  
                  through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you  
                  and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

Leader        May the Peace of God be with you.

**All**            **And also with you.**

# BE THOU MY VISION

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1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, or man's emp - ty praise,
4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



1. Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art:
2. I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord:
3. Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
4. May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



1. Thou my best thought, — by day or by night,
2. Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son,
3. Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
4. Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



1. Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
2. Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
3. High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
4. Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: 10 10 10 10; Ancient Irish; tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905; fr. Eleanor Hull's *Poem Book of the Gael*, 1912, alt.  
Music: Trad. Irish Melody; adapt. from *The Church Hymnary*, 1927.

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## The Collect of the Day

FWM Proposed Prayers alt.

God of glory, your revelation through Jesus Christ calls into your covenant of love. Enable us now to reflect your love, so that barriers erected by sin may be broken down, and all people may be drawn to you; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Proclamation of the Word

### First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

### Psalm: 51:1-13

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness;

**in your great compassion blot out my offences.**

Wash me through and through from my wickedness

**and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions,

**and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you only have I sinned

**and done what is evil in your sight.**

And so you are justified when you speak

**and upright in your judgement.**

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth,

**a sinner from my mother's womb.**

For behold, you look for truth deep within me,

**and will make me understand wisdom secretly.**

Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure;

**wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**

Make me hear of joy and gladness,

**that the body you have broken may rejoice.**

Hide your face from my sins

**and blot out all my iniquities.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**and renew a right spirit within me.**

Cast me not away from your presence

**and take not your holy Spirit from me.**  
Give me the joy of your saving help again  
**and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**Acclamation:** Kyrie Eleison

MV # 67

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son      Ky-ri-e e-lei-son  
Chri- ste e-lei-son      Chri- ste e-lei-son  
Ky-ri-e e-lei-son

**Gospel:** John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has

spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

## **Sermon**

### **The Apostle's Creed**

Leader            Let us confess our faith as we say,

**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**

### **The Prayers of the People**

**Offertory Hymn: Amazing Grace**

CP# 352

# AMAZING GRACE



1. A - maz - ing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my
3. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my
4. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al -
5. When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright shin - ing



1. wretch like me! I once was lost, but
2. fears re - lieved; How pre - cious did that
3. hope se - cures; He will my shield and
4. read - y come; 'Tis grace has brought me
5. as the sun, We've no less days to



1. now am found, Was blind but now I see.
2. grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
3. por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
4. safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
5. sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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Leader Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All 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 forever. Amen**

Leader                    Glory to God  
**All**                        **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, forever and ever. Amen**

Leader                    May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power  
of the Holy Spirit.  
**All**                        **Amen.**

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**St. John the Divine Prayers for Sunday March 21, 2021**

**The Church**

- St. Christopher, West Vancouver - The Reverend Karen Urquhart
- St. Cuthbert, Delta - The Reverend Paul Woerhle
- The Archdeaconry of Granville - The Venerable Stephanie Shepard,  
Regional Archdeacon
- St. John the Divine, Squamish – the Reverend Cameron Gutjahr

**Immediate Prayer Requests**

Roy, Clive, Nina, Ed, Rob, Jessica, Susan, Eleanor, Lori, The Howe Sound  
Women’s Centre, the residents of Hilltop House, the residents of  
Shannon Falls and the patients of Squamish General Hospital.

In this time of COVID-19, we pray for all who are sick, for all who are grieving, for health care professionals, researchers and emergency personnel.