



ST. FAITH'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

A Place of Art and Soul

10:00 a.m. Sunday, February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany



"The Beatitudes," Joseph Matar, Lebanon, oil paint, 1997.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT*

One: In this time and place, we gather on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh nations.

Many: From many places and peoples, we come to this house of prayer.

OPENING HYMN **YE BOUNDLESS REALMS OF JOY** **CP#356**

THE GREETING*

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

Many: And also with you.

THE COLLECT*

One: Let us pray.

Many: Living God, in Christ you make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

FIRST READING

MICAH 6:1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord." "With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, who speaks the truth from his heart.

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

SECOND READING

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

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GRADUAL HYMN

WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE

CP#171

In his sight the wicked is rejected, but he honors those who fear the Lord.

He has sworn to do no wrong and does not take back his word.

He does not give his money in hope of gain, nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things shall never be overthrown. Amen.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

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THE GOSPEL*

MATTHEW 5:1-12

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

Many: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Adam Yates

Following the sermon, we have a moment for silent reflection and prayer.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*

ST. HILDEGARD'S SANCTUARY

Many: We believe in God, the Source of Life, by whom every being in heaven and earth is created, named, and sustained.

We believe in God, the Living Word, who restores us to relationship and speaks to us through faith.

We believe in God, the Holy Spirit, who comforts, guides, and strengthens us to share the good news of grace.

We believe in God, one, holy, undivided Trinity: Source of Life, Living Word, Comforter: Mystery. Amen

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please stand, sit, or kneel as is your custom for prayer.

THE CONFESSION*

BAS

One: Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Many: 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 upon us and

forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

One: 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. **Many: Amen**

THE PEACE

One: May the peace of God be always with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY HYMN BLEST ARE THE PURE IN HEART

CP#439

Donations can be made by placing it in the offertory plate or online at stfaiths.ca/give

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS*

One: Let us pray.

Many: **God of steadfast love, may our offering this day, by the power of your Holy Spirit, renew us for your service. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

COMMUNION*

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

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

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY EUCHARIST PRAYER 1

The celebrant continues, until...

One: Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory as we sing:

We sing together from #719 in the hymnal

People: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The celebrant continues, until...

One: And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

Many: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The celebrant continues, until...

One: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever.

Many: **Amen.**

One: As Christ teaches us, we pray:
We sing together from #744 in the hymnal

Many: **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, deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours. Now and forever. Amen**

THE FRACTION*

One: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Many: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

One: Behold what you are.

Many: **May we become what we receive.**

COMMUNION

All who are drawn by Christ are welcome at this table. Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION*

One: Let us pray.

Many: Source of all goodness, in this eucharist we are nourished by the bread of heaven and invigorated with new wine. May these gifts renew our lives, that we may show your glory to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Many: 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*

One: May God the Holy Spirit, who came upon the beloved Son at his baptism, pour out God's gifts upon you, who have come to the waters of new birth; and the blessing of God† our Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of Life be with you always.

Many: **Amen.**

COMMON WORSHIP

CLOSING HYMN

O LOVE, HOW DEEP

CP#628

DISMISSAL*

One: One in heart and one in mind, and empowered by the Spirit, go in the peace of Christ.

Many: **Thanks be to God!**

THE WORSHIP IS OVER. THE SERVICE BEGINS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHROVE TUESDAY COMMUNITY PANCAKE SUPPER

You are invited to join us for a delicious pancake supper as we celebrate Shrove Tuesday on February 17 at 6pm, before the start of Lent. Our master pancake cooks will be flipping flapjacks for you to enjoy with a tasty selection of toppings. This is a part of our offering of a community meal to all our neighbours as an outreach of the parish. All are welcome—come for fellowship and, of course, pancakes! Sign up sheets are online if you are interested in volunteering.

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 18

Join us for our Ash Wednesday service at 7pm and mark the beginning of the season of Lent with us at St. Faith's. This holy time of the Christian year is a period for prayer, self-reflection, and study as we prepare for the miraculous events of Holy Week and Easter. At this simple, yet profound service, all are invited to receive the mark of ashes upon their foreheads as an outward and reminder of our own mortality and the urgency of our work.

THIS WEEK AT ST. FAITH'S

Wednesday, February 4	10:30am Bible Study
Friday, February 6	10am Laundry Ministry
Sunday, February 8	Fifth Sunday after Epiphany 8am Holy Eucharist, BCP 10am Holy Eucharist 1pm St. Hildegard's Sanctuary



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- * Indicates places where it is appropriate to stand (or kneel), as you are able.
- + Indicates places where it is traditional to cross yourself, should you desire.