

# ***St. Hilda's Anglican Church, Fairbank***

***The Last Sunday after the Epiphany***

***February 14, 2021***

***10:30 AM***

***Priest-in-Charge:*** Fr. Kenute Francis  
***Organist:*** William "Bill" Khan

***On Duty Today:***

***Crucifer-*** Noel Lewis

***Readers -*** *Elfreda Garriques*  
*Andrea Greenidge*

***Tech Team-*** *Matthew Harris*  
*Gail Evans*

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

*The purpose of St. Hilda's Church is to be Christ-centered in our life and worship, to serve lovingly those within our family and others within our reach that the spirit of God might empower us for worship, and pastoral care.*

## *The Order of Service*

**Organ Prelude:**            ***Be Still for the Presence of the Lord***

**Music:** Donald Evans; **Tune:** Be Still

**Processional:**            **When all Thy Mercies**

**Text:** Joseph Addison; **Music:** Frederick Ouseley; **Tune:** Contemplation

When all thy mercies, O my God,  
my rising soul surveys,  
transported with the view, I'm lost  
in wonder, love and praise.

Ten thousand thousand precious gifts  
my daily thanks employ,  
nor is the least a cheerful heart  
that tastes these gifts with joy.

Through every season of my life  
thy goodness I'll pursue,  
and after death, in distant worlds,  
the glorious theme renew.

Through all eternity to thee  
a joyful song I'll raise,  
for oh! eternity's too short  
to utter all thy praise.

### **The Greeting:**

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

**And also with you.**

## **A Litany**

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We have seen the light of God;  
on high mountains of celebration  
and in the eyes and care of loved ones.

### **We celebrate God's glory**

We have seen the light of God;  
through the bitter scorn of betrayal  
and the searing chasm of grief.

### **We trust God's grace.**

We have seen the light of God;  
with eyes that have been shaded,  
with eyes that have been opened,  
with eyes that have been blinded.

### **We have seen the light of God.**

## **Opening Prayer**

*~ posted by Rev Gord on his blog, Worship Offerings. <http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca/>*

**God, you bring us together in this place and online,  
we come to be fed, to be renewed, to seek understanding.  
God, challenge us in this place,  
and may we grow in faith as a result that challenge.  
God, revealed yourself to us in this place whether in shining glory,  
Or in tears and struggle.  
God as we worship,  
Refresh and renew us...  
We pray in Jesus' name...  
Amen**

**Welcome**

**Introit: Majesty**

*Text & Music: Jack Hayford; Tune: Majesty*

Majesty, Worship His Majesty  
Unto Jesus Be Glory Honour And Praise  
Majesty, Kingdom, Authority  
Flows From His Throne  
Unto His Own  
His Anthem Raise

So Exalt, Lift Upon High  
The Name Of Jesus  
Magnify Come Glorify  
Christ, Jesus The King

Majesty, Worship His Majesty  
Jesus Who Died, Now Glorified  
King Of All Kings.  
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King Of All Kings.

**The Collect for Purity**

Almighty God,  
**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 Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest,  
**and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

Let us pray,

Almighty God, on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured: mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world, and change us into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

### **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**The First Reading:     2 Kings 2:1-12     (Elfreda Garriques)**

*Elisha asks Elijah for a double portion of his spirit and then watches Elijah as he is taken up into heaven in a fiery chariot*

A Reading from the Book of Kings

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of

prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Responsive Reading: Psalm 50: 1-6 (Elfreda Garriques)**

*The psalmist declares that out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth*

1. The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2. Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory.**
3. Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4. He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of his people.**

5. "Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
6. **Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (Andrea Greenidge)**

*God has shone in our hearts to give the light of knowledge of his glory, shown in the face of Christ*

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Musical: Be Thou my Vision**

*Text & Music: Traditional Irish melody; Tune: Slane*

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;  
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;  
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tow'r:  
Raise Thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

**The Holy Gospel    Mark 9:2-9    Fr. Kenute**  
*Jesus is transfigured before the disciples*

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.



The Gospel of Christ  
**Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ**

**Prayer for Illumination**

*written by Amy Loving, and posted on The Worship Closet.*

<http://worshipcloset.com/words-for-worship-18th-sunday-after-pentecost/>

**Mighty God,  
you spoke to your people in the pillar of cloud  
as they walked together in the wilderness.  
Speak to us through your Word today,  
that we may hear you calling us  
out of the wilderness places in our lives  
and into new places you have promised to show us.  
In the name of Christ, we pray.  
Amen.**

**The Sermon:** *Fr Kenute*

**Hymn: 'Tis Good Lord to be Here**

*Text: Joseph Robinson; Music: Charles Lockhart; Tune: Carlisle*

'Tis good, Lord, to be here,  
Thy glory fills the night;  
Thy face and garments, like the sun,  
Shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here,  
Thy beauty to behold  
Where Moses and Elijah stand,  
Thy messengers of old.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here.  
Yet we may not remain;  
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount,  
Come with us to the plain.

## **The Nicene Creed**

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **The Intercession:**           *(Andrea Greenidge)*

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Mighty and merciful one, you have come to us in glory;  
now we come to you in prayer, saying,  
Lord, by your Spirit, grant what we ask.

**Grant what we ask.**

We pray for your glorious creation, especially places torn by war and violence and injustice, and our world gripped by Covid19.

Stamp out fires of destruction, drive away clouds of pollution,  
Heal our world of this virus and other sickness, diseases, health issues  
and restore the beauty of this world.

Lord, by your Spirit,  
**grant what we ask.**

We pray for the body of Christ, especially in the Anglican Cycle, for the  
Anglican Church of Canada and in the Diocesan Cycle for the Bishop's  
Committee on Intercultural Ministry.

We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Linda, Primate of the Anglican  
Church of Canada; Andrew, Bishop of Toronto. For Jenny, Riscylla, Kevin and  
all bishops. For Kenute our priest and all priests and deacons of the church.  
Open our hearts in faith, enlighten our minds with knowledge,  
and strengthen us to proclaim the gospel.

Lord, by your Spirit,  
**grant what we ask.**

We pray for the people of all nations, and we remember those who are  
dislocated by this pandemic, and those who continue to give themselves in  
service daily and for the betterment of our world.

Show the nations your vision of justice,  
offer the leaders your mantle of wisdom,  
and give the people your blessing of peace.

Lord, by your Spirit,  
**grant what we ask.**

We pray for those who are perishing. . . .

Feed those who are starving,  
comfort those who are suffering, especially from sickness and pain. Herein we  
remember Petrona Levy, Gilda Davis, Ruth Andrews, Don Krasnovich, Lucille  
Calder, Doraline Alexander, Helen and Mark Hancock, Gloria and Ancille  
Parsons, Pablo Velasquez, Barbara Gordon, Hyacinth Brooks, Mary Engels,  
Hermon Lobban, Wilton Holas, Len Green, Marcia Sealy, Geane Goodman,  
Sophia Goodman and Jeffrey Legair.

Receive the dying into your arms, especially Elmira Williams. Grant them rest  
and their family comfort.

Lord, by your Spirit,  
**grant what we ask.**

We pray for those whom we love. . . .

Bless our families, friends, and neighbors, help them in times of trouble, and be near when they are afraid. We remember parishioners and their family, especially Marcia Hutson, Doreen Jemmott, Pearl John-Siegel, Roy and Sheila Johnson, Alfred Jones, Grace Jordan, Eleanor Capriellan, William and Sarah Khan and Don Krasnovich.

Lord, by your Spirit,  
**grant what we ask.**

Draw us to the rhythm of Lent as it unfolds in our midst;  
a sacred invitation to explore the corners of our soul.

Open us to your light that we might see ourselves clearly,  
with all our fears and faults and faith,  
with all our desires and dreams and duties.

Help us to see our journey as a place of your appearing –  
that like Peter, James, and John  
we may come down from the mountain  
and set one foot in front of the other  
Lord, by your Spirit,  
**grant what we ask.**

Holy One, make us ready for the day  
when this world is transfigured, transformed, made new—  
when all things will shine in the dazzling light of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **The Confession and Absolution**

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.**

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.  
**Amen.**

### ***The Peace***

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

### **Offertory Instrumental: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

**Text:** William Chatterton; **Music:** Rowland Pritchard; **Tune:** Hyfrodol

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
His the scepter, His the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph,  
His the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
Thunder like a mighty flood;  
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation  
Has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans  
Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! He is near us,  
Faith believes, nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received Him  
When the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget His promise,  
"I am with you evermore?"

Alleluia! King eternal,  
You the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluia! Born of Mary,  
Earth Your footstool, heav'n Your throne.  
You within the veil have entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great high priest;  
Here on earth both priest and victim  
In the eucharistic feast.

### **The Prayer over the Gifts**

**Holy God, receive all we offer you this day, and bring us to that radiant glory which we see in the transfigured face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **The Doxology**

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.**

## **The Blessing**

### ***Announcements***

## **The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Recessional Instrumental: God is working his Purpose Out**

*Text: Authur Ainger; Music: Millicent Kingham; Tune: Benson*

God is working this purpose out,  
as year succeeds to year;  
God is working this purpose out,  
and the time is drawing near;  
nearer and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be:  
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

Let us go forth in the strength of God,  
with the banner of Christ unfurled,  
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth  
may shine throughout the world.  
Let us all fight with sorrow and sin  
to set the captives free,  
that the earth may be filled with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth  
unless God blesses the deed.  
Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide  
till God gives life to the seed.  
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time,  
the time that shall surely be,  
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God  
as the waters cover the sea.

**Postlude: Shine, Jesus Shine**

*Music: Graham Kendrick; Tune: Shine, Jesus Shine*

## NOTICES

### **New Regulations for Places of Worship**

While all in-person services are currently suspended please join us for worship online every Sunday at 10:30 am on You Tube or on the website:

[www.sthildasanglicanchurch.com](http://www.sthildasanglicanchurch.com)

- **Bite & Sip, Noon day devotion:** Every Tuesday & Thursday (Facebook live – St. Hilda’s Fairbank Anglican Church)
- **Kids for Jesus (K4J)** – Every Sunday at 12 noon (*Facebook - St Hildas Fairbank Anglican Church; website- [www.sthildasanglicanchurch.com](http://www.sthildasanglicanchurch.com) & on YouTube*)
- **Bible Study – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday on Zoom.** Next Bible study is February 22 and we are studying the gospel of Luke. Next study will be Luke 15. If you are presently part of that group you are encouraged to join. Speak with Fr. Kenute, William Greenidge or Richard Goddard.
- **2021 Church Calendars:** Ask Oscar Lewis and Sonia Wickham. Price - \$5.00.
- **Offerings:** can be mailed in to the church, or parishioners can use the drop box at the church on Saturdays and Sundays 10am-12noon.



- **2021 Envelopes are READY:** If you have not yet received yours please contact Richard Morris or any of the wardens to make arrangement for pick up.
- **Annual Vestry Meeting will be February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021.** You may call the church to arrange to pick up our vestry package.

- **Stewardship**

*We are grateful for the support the church receives from all of you through your weekly giving of your time, talent and treasure. We celebrate your faithfulness. The church has set up **Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)** as a way for parishioners to continue to give. An amount that is decided by you will be taken from your Bank account monthly and will be remitted to the church. It works the same as your envelopes. Please contact Richard Morris for forms.*

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**Lent 2021**

*Lent begins this year on February 17. Please use this time to connect and reconnect with God as we go through this difficult time.*

**Ash Wednesday Services**

There will be two services

1. 10:30am – for residence in the towers – only eight persons can register
2. Online at 7:30pm on the website and YouTube

**Ash Wednesday Readings:**

*Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 Psalm 102:8-18 2 Corinthians 5:20B-6-6:10 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21*

**Weekly Wednesday service on Zoom at 7:30pm throughout Lent.**

Theme: **“Called to a Jesus Shaped Life”**

**Wed, Feb 24 – Spirituality and the Pandemic (Self Care)**

**Wed. Mar. 3 - Discipleship and the Neighbourhood**

**Wed. Mar. 10 - Dealing with isolation and Death**

**Wed. Mar. 17 - Systemic Racism – being a light in face of history  
& present realities.**

**Wed. Mar. 24 - Jesus shaped life – Cross/resurrection**

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**Readings for Next Sunday, February 21 – The first Sunday in Lent**

Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-9 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15