Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 6, 2020



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Prelude

Welcome, Absolution and Confession

(The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Priest: Welcome in the name of Christ.

God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Loving God, we have come to worship you.

Help us to pray to you in faith,

to voice your praise with gratitude in our hearts,

and to listen to your word with eagerness;

through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Invitation to Confession

Priest: From the beginning of the month of September

through till October 4th,

the church recognizes and celebrates

what is referred to as "The Season of Creation." As we call to mind our own call to stewardship

of all that God has created,

we confess our sin, and the sins of our society,

in the misuse of God's creation.

Prayer Of Confession

Priest: Creating God, we are sorry for the times

when we have used your gifts carelessly,

and acted ungratefully.

Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:

All: Forgive us and help us.

Priest: We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,

but sometimes forget

that you have given them to us.

God, in your mercy:

All: Forgive us and help us.

Priest: We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,

but ignore the cry of the hungry.

God, in your mercy:

All: Forgive us and help us.

Priest: We are thoughtless,

and do not care enough

for the world you have made.

God, in your mercy:

All: Forgive us and help us.

Priest: We store up goods for ourselves alone,

as if there were no God and no heaven.

God, in your mercy:

All: Forgive us and help us.

Absolution:

Priest: The almighty and merciful Lord

grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,

time for amendment of life,

and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: God of unity and truth,

encourage the fervent, enlighten the doubtful

and bring back the wayward.

Gather us all together in mutual love, so that our prayer may be pleasing to you. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33: 7-11
Reader: Michael Zastre

Reader: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

Click here for the reading:
https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=158
#hebrew_oth_reading

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119: 33-40

Response:

My delight shall be in your commandments..

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes and I shall keep it to the end.
Give me understanding and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with my whole heart. (Response)

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for therein is my delight.
Incline my heart to your testimonies and not to unjust gain. (Response)

Turn away my eyes lest they gaze on vanities; O give me life in your ways. Confirm to your servant your promise, which stands for all who fear you. (Response)

Turn away the reproach which I dread, because your judgements are good. Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness give me life. (Response)

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 18: 15-20 Reader: Michael Zastre

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The gospel of Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Click here for the gospel reading:

https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=158 #gospel_reading

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Song: Unless a Grain of Wheat by Bob Hurd

(The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Priest: Let us share in this Statement of Faith

based on Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

Let us declare our faith in God.

All: We believe in God the Father,

from whom every family in heaven

and on earth is named. We believe in God the Son,

who lives in our hearts through faith,

and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,

who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God;

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Prayers: Gillian Bloom

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In response to the words, "God of Love", the community prays, "Hear our prayer".

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: In the words that our Saviour taught us,

let us pray:

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.

And 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.

Priest: 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.

For ever and ever.

Amen.

Benediction:

Priest: May the Lord direct your hearts,

this day and for ever, in the love of God

and in the patient waiting for Christ.

The Lord bless you and preserve you from all evil

and bring you to everlasting life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Dismissal

Priest: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Thank you to the Worship Team Members for this Sunday

Service: Presider: Daniel Fournier; Intercessions: Gillian Bloom; Reader: Michael Zastre; Musicians: Susanne Reul-Zastre and Daniel Fournier; Videographer: Sharon McMillan; Service Planning: Daniel Fournier; Online Video Production and Posting at Facebook: Daniel Fournier; Service Outline: Daniel Fournier, Sharon McMillan, and Barb Prescott; Posting at the Website: Barb Prescott; Beginning and Ending Slides: Sharon McMillan.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – September 7 – 13 (**New Items, *Revised Items)

**The church office is closed Monday, September 7th for Labour Day and will re-open Tuesday, September 8th at 9 am.

*Next Sunday, September 13th, will be a Service of the Word starting at 9:30 am. Visit the Events page of St. Luke's website for the link to register at EventBrite. 40 spaces will be available. Registration will open at noon on Sunday, September 6th and will end at noon on Friday, September 11th. You can also register by calling (250-477-6741) or e-mailing (admin@ stlukecedarhill.ca) the office. The service will be recorded and posted later that day as well.

**Sunday Coffee Time via Zoom – Join us today and every Sunday after church at 11 am for Coffee Time in your home via Zoom. To take part, use the link which is sent out during the

week and on Sunday morning. If you have questions, please e-mail Barb Prescott (<u>communications@stlukecedarhill.ca</u>). Hope to see you there.

- *St. Luke's Yard Sale is next Saturday, September 12th 9:30 am 1:30 pm. To volunteer, please e-mail events@stluke cedarhill.ca. Social distancing measures will be in place with a limit of 50 people including volunteers at any given time. We presently have a good inventory of donated items so other items are not needed at this time. See list of items for sale at the Events page of St. Luke's website.
- **The Diocesan Post will not be sent by mail this fall. The September issue is available to read online at the link sent to you by e-mail. If you would like a paper copy of the Diocesan Post, some are available in the church and in the church office. If you are not able to pick one up, please call the Parish Office and someone will deliver a copy to you.
- **Retirement Event For Bishop Logan Join the Diocese of Islands and Inlets on October 23 at 7:00 pm for a special video event in celebration of Bishop Logan McMenamie's ministry. With +Logan as our special live guest, we'll take everyone on a journey that will include photos, music, special messages from all over the diocese, and live-streamed presentations. The event will be viewable on the diocesan website, Vimeo, and Facebook Live, simultaneously. All you need to do is find a comfortable viewing location, pour yourself a beverage, and click the link at 7:00 pm on October 23. The link to the event will be distributed the week of and more information can be found at this link: https://bc.anglican.ca/events/farewell-for-bishop-logan-mcmenamie/2020-10-23.
- **The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is looking for a Development Officer to join their amazing team. The purpose of this new position is to increase total annual revenue and capital funds of the Shelbourne Community Kitchen with a focus on organizational growth, funding an upcoming move, and long-term sustainability with an understanding of the

effects of COVID-19. They are seeking a part-time energetic, self-motivated team player who thrives on accomplishing goals, getting results and improving the organization's bottom line. If you are as adept at making financial decisions as you are at communicating with others, you are invited to submit an application to join the team. Download the job description details from the News page of St. Luke's website.

Thrifty Foods Smile Cards – Thank you to everyone who has been using their Smile Cards. This year's Thrifty's Smile Card Fundraiser Program has now started and we have received our second payment of \$176.25, bringing our total to date to \$283.75. This year the money will go towards repairing some of our rock walls. If you don't yet have a Smile Card, please call the office and we will arrange to get one to you.

*Gardening Help Needed – Gordon Dawson has retired from his work caring for the Memorial Garden. Thank you, Gordon, for your three years of work on this garden! Your work is greatly appreciated. Is there someone else could take on looking after this area? If so, please contact Barb Prescott through the Church Office or by e-mail (communications@stlukecedarhill.ca). Gordon would be happy to meet with the new gardener to "show you the ropes."

This Sunday's service will be posted online on Sunday afternoon. Please join us on your electronic device (computer, phone, IPad, etc.) to watch the service. The service will be posted at the St Luke's website (www.stlukesvictoria.ca) and Facebook page (www.facebook.com/StLukeCedarHill) around 3 pm on Sunday afternoon. You don't have to be a Facebook member to access this link.

Thank You for your Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church by writing a cheque, making a donation online through Canada Helps, and by signing up for ECP. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please refer to the **DONATE page** at the website for more information.

Even if you are not able to attend church at this time, your support is greatly appreciated. Your donations by cheque can be sent in the mail, dropped off at the parish office, or picked up from your home. To mail a donation to St. Luke's, please send it to: St. Luke's Church, 3821 Cedar Hill Cross Rd., Victoria, BC V8P 2M6. If you would like your donation picked up, please call St. Luke's Office (250-477-6741) to arrange for someone to pick up your donation.

Our Place – Giving Back to the Community: Our Place is hosting a mac and cheese contest in a campaign to support our local restaurants. 15 participating kitchens (see list at the News page of St. Luke's website) will have a mac and cheese dish on their menu from August 8 to September 8. Please visit those restaurants and then go to the Our Place website (www.ourplacesociety.com) to vote for the top three dishes. This is a way for Our Place to give back to a local industry that has been so supportive and now are facing incredible challenges due to the COVID pandemic. The winning restaurants will be announced at the Hungry Hearts livestreamed virtual gala on Saturday, September 12 at 5 pm. More information at www.ourplacesociety.com.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Anglican Church of Southern Africa: The Most Rev. Thabo Makgoba, Archbishop of Capetown and Primate of Southern Africa. In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for the Very Rev. Ansley Tucker, the Diocesan Administrator; and for the Parish of Pender and Saturna Islands, and their priest, Ellen Willingham. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon; and for the Diocese of Yukon and Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame.

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We hope you will visit again!

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WEEKLY ONLINE LITURGICAL SERVICE:

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY September 13, 2020

Genesis 50: 15-21 Psalm 103: (1-7), 8-13 Romans 14: 1-12 Matthew 18: 21-35