Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

4th Sunday in Lent March 27, 2022 Holy Eucharist



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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the Esquimalt, Songhees and WSÁNEĆ people, the traditional custodians of these lands.

We are grateful for their hospitality.

Prelude (please be seated)

Welcome and Introduction (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Please stand as you are able.

Priest: 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.

Invitation to Confession

Priest: The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;

a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,

and acknowledge our transgressions

in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

A Kyrie Confession

Priest: Most merciful God,

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Against you, you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Absolution:

Priest: May almighty God,

who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring you his pardon and peace, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Opening Hymn: CP 511 Lord Jesus, Think on Me (tune: Southwell)

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Eternal Lover of our wayward race,

you open your arms to accept us

even before we turn to meet your welcome;

you invite us to forgiveness

even before our hearts are softened to repentance. Hold before us the image of our humanity made new, so that we may live in Jesus Christ, your new creation.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Joshua 5: 9-12

Reader: Bruce Hallsor

Reader: A reading from the Book of Joshua.

The reading can be found here:

https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-03-27

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32

Response: You surround me with shouts of deliverance, O Lord.

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!
Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile! (Response)

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long. For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. (Response)

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. (Response)

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. (Response)

You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. (Response)

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you." (Response)

Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord. Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart. (Response)

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21
Reader: Kathleen Patterson

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Click here for the reading: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-03-27

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn: CP 352 Amazing Grace

(tune: New Britain)

THE GOSPEL: Luke 15: 1-3, 11B-32

Reader: Gillian Bloom

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-03-27

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Priest: Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

AII: Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing. Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death. even the death of the cross. Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession: Led by Gillian Bloom In response to the words, "Faithful God," the community prays, "Embrace us with your hope."

> Gracious God, you have called us together as your people, to be the church of Jesus Christ. Make us one in faith and discipleship, breaking bread together, and telling the good news, so that the world may believe you are love, turn to your ways and live in the light of your truth.

Faithful God.

All: Embrace us with your hope.

Creator God, you made all things and called them good.

We pray for the earth in its vulnerability, depleted by our lifestyle choices and our economic expectations. Inspire reverence for the earth in all people. Guide us all to make wiser choices for the sake of your creation. Help us use resources wisely, with future generations in mind, guarding the fragile balances you have set between many precious species.

Faithful God,

All: Embrace us with your hope.

Jesus Christ, Prince of peace, you taught us of God's reconciling grace in the story of a father who welcomed back his wandering son and invited his jealous son to open his heart.

Speak to the hearts of all your people in this time when so many neighbours and nations sit in judgment on each other, provoking conflict and resentment.

As we watch the news unfolding from Ukraine, we pray for all who are living in fear for their lives; those who have lost their homes; those who are seeking safety in other countries; and all who are grieving the loss of loved ones. We pray for safety for those who are most vulnerable: children, those who are aged or infirm.

Teach us how to seek peace on earth together. Call those in positions of power and influence to work for the common good. Turn us away from anger, fear, violence or vanity, which can turn neighbour against neighbour and nation against nation.

May all who claim your name be known as makers of the peace.

Faithful God.

All: Embrace us with your hope.

O Christ, healer of hearts and hopes, you desire health and wholeness for each one of us: we pray that those who have lost their livelihoods in this pandemic may find true abundance.

As our community opens up and restrictions continue to be lifted, grant safety and renewed hope to us all as we work towards finding a new normal in these times.

Grant rest and renewal to those who are broken in body, mind or spirit, and bring comfort and hope to all who continue to face loss and loneliness.

In silence we lift before you the names of those on our hearts today:

(Silence for 30 seconds)

Faithful God,

All: Embrace us with your hope.

Faithful God, embrace us with your hope. Spirit of power and promise, embrace us with hope this day so that we may live faithfully, encouraging each other by the commitment we see in Jesus Christ, in whose name we offer these prayers in sincerity and hope.

All: Amen.

The Peace: (Please stand as you are able.)

For the peace, please acknowledge your greeting of peace

by a simple bow - with no physical contact.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: CP 610 Before I Take the Body of My Lord

(tune: Laying Down)

Note that the offerings will be taken forward to the altar during this hymn, but we aren't allowed to pass around the collection plate at this time. If you missed putting in your donation as you entered the church, donations left in the collection plates after the service will also be collected.

The Preparation of the Table

Priest: Lord our God.

your Son welcomed sinners

and ate with them from the same table.

May our gathering here around the table of your Son

also bring us reconciliation and peace

with one another and with you,

our understanding and patient Father, on account of Christ Jesus our Lord.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer:

[Source: Eucharistic Prayer C - Common Worship - The Church of

England 2000.]

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Priest:

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your people once again. Through fasting, prayer and acts of service you bring us back to your generous heart. Through study of your holy word you open our eyes to your presence in the world and free our hands to welcome others into the radiant splendour of your love. As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with joyful hearts and minds, we bless you for your mercy and join with saints and angels for ever praising you and singing:

(From Common Praise # 735):

AII:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation may sit or kneel at this time.

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Priest:

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:

All: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

Priest: Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen. (Sung 5 times - From Common Praise # 737)

The Lord's Prayer (Please stand as you are able.)

Priest: In the words that our Saviour taught us, we 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.
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 for ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread (From Common Praise # 747):

All: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,
give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Giving of Communion

Priest: God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All: Thanks be to God.

At this time, procotols allow for only the bread to be shared for communion. Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as each section is invited to come forward. Allow at least 2 metres (6 feet) between you and the person in front of you. As you come up to the communion station, stand behind the marked line and reach your hand forward to receive the host. Please exit to the chapel side and return to your seat.

NOTE: Gluten free wafers are available on request.

Please remain seated as we sing the hymn during communion.

<u>Hymn during Communion: CP 615 Just as I Am</u> (Woodworth)

Prayer after Communion (Please stand as you are able.)
Priest: Holy God, in your patient mercy

you have prodigally poured out your love on us.

You have gathered us in your Son;

let him speak to us your forgiving words and nourish us at his Holy Table, even though we have offended you. Let your love live on in us and make us bring your reconciliation to everyone far and near. For we want to proclaim that you are God who loves without measure and embraces even the sinner. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: 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 extravagant love of God, the Father fill our hearts and minds, and his embrace hold us when we feel unworthy to be called his children.

May the friendship of Jesus, our companion rid us of any notion that we are nothing and may we find our home with him in his Kingdom.

May the Spirit of life release us from a world of duty so that a new joy wells up in our lives.

Let us go and reconfigure the world in our friendships, in our work-places, in our families, in our streets, and in our world.

Go proclaim the story of our Christ, serving in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 386 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

(tune: Rockingham)

Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Thank you to all who helped with this service: Presider: Rev. Daniel Fournier; Liturgical Assistants: Gillian Bloom and Sean Tiernay; Readers: Bruce Hallsor, Kathleen Patterson, and Gillian Bloom; Prayers of Intercession: Gillian Bloom; Musicians: Susanne Reul-Zastre, Daniel Fournier, Patricia Bates, Cynthia Blackburn, Olivia Craster, Margo Hughes, John Laidlaw, Heather Moon, Barbara Reul, Genevieve Richards, Matthew Robertson, and Maria Ross; Sidespersons: Jane Grant and Kathleen Patterson; Creation of Prayers of Intercession: Joan Scandrett; Videographer: Sharon McMillan; Service Planning and Service Outline: Daniel Fournier; Proofreading, Posting Bulletin and Livestream Link at the Website: Barb Prescott; Posting the Link at Facebook and Creating Service Slides: Sharon McMillan; Printing Readings and Bulletins: Andrew Lloyd.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – March 27th – April 3rd (**New Items, *Revised Items)

Copies of a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Anna are available at the back of the church and on the News page of St. Luke's website. This letter is in regards to Diocesan COVID-19 Guidance effective March 14, 2022. Highlights of the changes are: a recommendation to continue wearing masks during worship; current eucharistic guidelines remain until Maundy

Thursday (April 14); proof of vaccination requirements for events/activities outside of worship to be lifted April 8; return to shared meals and receptions after April 8; long-term care visitation now permitted.

Coffee Time via Zoom will start at 11:45 am after the inperson and livestreamed service. Watch for the link, which will be sent out by e-mail and join us in your home via Zoom. Hope to see you there.

Two Pianos Available to good homes – Free but you will have to pay the cost of moving them. For more information, please talk to Brenda Morgan or call St. Luke's office and leave a message for Brenda.

**Jazz Vespers NEXT SUNDAY, April 3rd at 7 pm – Jazz up your Sunday evening with a Jazz Vespers Service. This hour long service in the church will feature lots of jazz along with contemporary prayers, poems, and readings. Come and enjoy a relaxing Sunday evening, listening to jazz along with seasonal prayers, poems, and readings.

*Concert for Ukraine with Marco Vitale – NEXT SUNDAY, April 3rd 3:00 - 5:00 pm, St. Barnabas Church, 1525 Begbie St. Join Marco Vitale for an afternoon of harpsichord music by William Byrd, Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck, and Martin Peerson. Admission is by donation, with all proceeds going to support the Red Cross Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis Appeal.

Sorrento Centre is hiring for some upcoming full-time and seasonal summer positions. See poster on the bulletin board in the hall or visit the **News page of St. Luke's website** for a complete list of positions available.

Mark your calendars for our Annual Plant Sale – Saturday June 4th 10:00 am-2:00 pm, in the parking lot at St. Luke's. Once the weather warms up, think about perennials you can divide and plan to plant some seeds in pots for plants to sell. More information to follow closer to June. If you have any questions please contact Heather Simpson or Brenda Morgan.

Save the Dates for this Year's Amazing Journey Day Camp, which will be held July 4th to July 8th. Children born January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2018 are eligible to be campers. We will also be looking for Middle School students to be Leaders in Training and High School students to be Small Group leaders. All campers and volunteers eligible to be vaccinated must show proof of vaccination (subject to change as the COVID situation evolves). The registration form be available April 15th with Early Bird Registration fees available to May 15th. Watch for more information coming soon. Questions? Please talk to Tara Poilievre, Sharon Hallsor, or Barb Prescott.

**Give Yourself the Gift of Health This Spring – Have you noticed that some body parts are starting to wear out? Join Susanne Reul-Zastre's fitness classes at Oaklands Community Centre (1-2827 Belmont; free parking). Susanne happens to be a certified personal trainer and BCRPA registered group and weight training instructor. She loves leading small affordable group classes for all ages at OCC (\$60/6 weeks).

Spring Term:

- 1. Tuesday early afternoon (We've Got Your Back, starts April
- 4, 1:15-2:15 pm, Improve your posture and balance to prevent falls and lessen back pain).
- 2. Wednesday evening (Everything but Cardio, starts April 5, 6-7 pm, resistance training for the on-going participant).
- 3. Thursday early afternoon (Strength and Stretch, starts April 7, 1:15-2:15 pm; Intro to resistance training using an exercise band).

To register and for more information, go to: https://oca.recdesk.com/Community/Program, or call 250-370-9101. Prefer online classes? Contact Susanne directly for a recurring link to drop in on her Monday evening zoom classes (\$10; first one free). For testimonials, talk to Heather Simpson, Barb Prescott or Cynthia Blackburn.

Thank You for Your Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church through your offerings by writing a cheque, making a donation online through Canada Helps, and by signing up for ECP. Note that the offerings will now be taken

forward to the altar each Sunday during the service, but we aren't allowed to pass around the collection plate at this time. If you miss putting in your donation as you enter the church, donations left in the collection plates after the service will also be collected.

**Job Posting for Parish Administrator – Holy Trinity, North Saanich is seeking a part-time (12 hours a week), permanent office administrator to serve the needs of its active worship community and its many outreach activities. The ideal candidate would have five years minimum of prior office administration experience; excellent verbal and written English communication skills; and advanced computer literacy. Proficiency with Microsoft Office 365 is preferred. To apply, forward a cover letter and resume to Teva at tscheer@ holytrinityns.org. See more information at the News page of St. Luke's website.

Intersections: A Dialogue Series is an opportunity to engage with Challenging Racist 'British Columbia': 150 Years and Counting (CRBC), which was produced as part of the commemorations of 150 years since BC joined Canada. This open-access, multimedia resource documents how the recent cycle of anti-racist activism in this province is part of a broader history of Indigenous, Black and other racialized communities for over 150 years. This is the third offering of this highly popular anti-racism series. Capacity is limited to 30 people/session. Register early. This session is offered on six Wednesdays, starting May 4th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. More information and a link to register are included at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.

Stamps for Cookware for the Shelbourne Community
Kitchen – So far, we have bought and delivered 34 pots to
the Shelbourne Community Kitchen and we have
rainchecks for 8 more! Well done, everyone. The Shelbourne
Community Kitchen is very pleased with all the pots and pans
they have received. Participants in the Food Skills Program and
Garden Program will be entered into the April Kitchen

Equipment Draw. The pots and pans will be distributed throughout the month of April to those whose names are drawn.

*Country Grocer Save A Tape Program Update – Please continue to collect your Country Grocer receipts and turn them in to the Church Office, mail them to the Church Office, or put them in an envelope in the mail slot. As of March 21st, we now have \$3,653.29 towards our third \$5,000.00 for a \$50.00 gift certificate. Well done, everyone! Please keep dropping off your receipts so we can reach another \$5,000. See more information at the News page of St. Luke's website.

Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards – We received our second payment of \$275.00 in February, bringing our total to date to \$549.49 from this program. Please continue to use your reloadable Fairway Market Community Shopping Card so that St. Luke's can receive 5% from Fairway Market for every dollar loaded on the card. To join in this program, please pick up your reloadable card from St. Luke's Office. Please contact St. Luke's office or talk to Brenda Morgan for more information or visit the Fundraising page of St. Luke's website.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) - The Most Rev. Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop of Myanmar and Bishop of Yangon. In the Canadian ACC/ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada: The Atlantic School of Theology, Montreal Diocesan Theological College, and Queen's College (ACC); and the congregations of the Northwestern Ontario area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (ELCIC). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for our congregation of St. Luke, and our priest, Daniel Fournier. 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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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY April 3, 2022

Isaiah 43: 16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3: 4b-14 John 12: 1-8

FLOWERS

Flowers at St. Luke's are coordinated by Ann Séguin.