Welcome to

St. Luke Cedar Hill

3rd Sunday of Easter May 1, 2022 - 10:00 am Service of the Word



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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 (Worship Leader: Sean Tiernay)
Please stand as you are able.

Leader: As we gather for today's Service of the Word on this Third Sunday of Easter,

let us reflect on the spirit of these words:

Sisters and Brothers,

If you lift your net and it is empty,

Come here!

We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.

If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One, Come here! We'll find the Risen Christ here among us.

If your life is filled with mourning, Come here! Christ is leading a dance of joy.

Come here, sisters and brothers!

To give blessing and honour and glory to God!

Leader: May the risen Lord be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Confession

Leader: When we sin, we seem to act as if we want

to keep the Lord out of our life. Let us ask him to forgive us.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you walk by our side

when we suffer and struggle,

but often we do not recognize you:

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Jesus Christ, we encounter you

when we encourage the sick and disheartened,

but often we are not aware it is you:

Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are present

when we share our joy and friendship at meals

and whenever you set before us

the food of the Eucharist:

Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Have mercy on us, Lord,

forgive us our sins and restore our joy.

Walk by our side and lead us

to the happiness of everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Opening Hymn: CP 212 Alleluia! The Strife is O'er

(tune: Victory)

The Collect of the Day

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: God of the new fire

and feasting at daybreak:

come to us in the dullness of routine

and the pain of betrayal;

call to us in the way of the cross

and the joy of resurrection;

through Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Acts 9: 1-6 (7-20)

Reader: Kathleen Patterson

Reader: A Reading from the the Book of Acts

The reading can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-05-01

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30

Response: You have brought me up, O Lord, from the dead.

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me. O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave. (Response)

Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness. For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime.

Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning. (Response)

While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. You, Lord, with your favour, made me as strong as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear. (Response)

I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with the Lord, saying, "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness? Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper." (Response)

You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy. Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever. (Response)

SECOND READING: Revelation 5: 11-14

Reader: Merry Hallsor

Reader: A Reading from the Revelation to John.

Click here for the reading: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-05-01

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 434 The Love of Jesus Calls Us

(tune: Aurelia)

THE GOSPEL: John 21: 1-19

Reader: Bruce Hallsor

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-05-01

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

Reflection: Sean Tiernay

Anthem: Come follow Me by J. Althouse

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith (based on Ephesians 3)

Leader: 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.

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession: Led by Bruce Hallsor In response to the words, "God, in your great mercy," the community prays, "Hear our prayer."

Let us bring the needs of the church, the world, and all in need, to God's loving care:

Christ Jesus,
we draw near to you in prayer this day,
trusting that your love does change lives
and your resurrection brings renewal
and redemption into the world God loves.
As we lay before you
the concerns on our hearts today,
we pray that you will draw near to the people
and situations we name
and bring each one the gift that is needed:

God, in your great mercy,

All: Hear our prayer

We lay before you the concerns we share from the news headlines and the many world situations where hope and change are desperately needed. We pray for ...

(Current world events and concerns may be named.)

God, in your great mercy,

All: Hear our prayer

We lay before you, God, those who are in hospital or care and all those who struggle with illness, pain or health burdens of any sort; and we remember those facing grief and loss, bearing burdens of sorrow and worry. We ask for strength for all caregivers, nurses, physicians and others in the medical profession who are battling with exhaustion and stress.

(Keep a brief silence.)

God, in your great mercy,

All: Hear our prayer

We lay before you, God, families under stress, relationships that are strained, friends and neighbours in need of reconciliation, and we pray for the healing of divisions in our country. We pray for your Spirit of peace to increase in us so we may be signs of peace for others in our broken world. (silence is kept)

God, in your great mercy,

All: Hear our prayer

We lay before you, loving God, the earth itself, struggling in so many places to maintain its fruitfulness, and we pray for all the vulnerable creatures and communities who are finding it harder and harder to live on land, sea or sky.

(silence is kept)

God, in your great mercy,

All: Hear our prayer

Christ Jesus, we believe that you hear our prayers and will be faithful to our requests and concerns. Use us in every opportunity that presents itself to serve you by serving our neighbours near and far. We offer all these prayers in the name of Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

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

Leader: Now we pray in the words that 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, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Conclusion and Sending Forth

Leader Christ asks if we love him.

If we say yes, he says; "Then care for one another." This is our opportunity to make a difference, to live lovingly on the frontiers of his bright new world.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn:

CP 405 Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

(tune: Alleluia No. 1)

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Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia!

All: In the name of Christ, Alleluia!

Postlude

Thank you to all who helped with this service: Worship Leader: Sean Tiernay; Readers: Kathleen Patterson, Merry Hallsor, and Bruce Hallsor; Prayers of Intercession: Bruce Hallsor; Musicians: Susanne Reul-Zastre (Organist and Choir Director), and the Choristers of St. Luke; Livestreaming and Recording the Service: Videography Team; Service Preparation: Worship Planning Team members.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – May 1st – May 8th (**New Items, *Revised Items)

*8 am In-Person Said Services are back starting today and going forward for a trial period. We hope to be able to welcome back some of our regular 8 am attendees who haven't been able to attend the 10 am services.

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.

*Jazz Vespers will be TONIGHT 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.

Registration is Now Open 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 is now available at the News page of St. Luke's website. Early Bird Registration fees are available until May 15th. Questions? Please talk to Tara Poilievre, Sharon Hallsor, or Barb Prescott.

**Cards in Today's Bulletin for Donation Auction for "Pieced for Peace" Wall Hanging – Brenda Morgan's wall hanging, which you read about in the Easter Prescription, could be yours through your donation to the Ukraine Donations Fund. The highest donation will win the wall hanging. Donations will go to the Canadian Red Cross Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis Appeal. Even if you aren't interested in the wall hanging, please make a donation to this important cause. Donation envelopes and an information card are in today's bulletin. Or click on the link at the News Page of St. Luke's website for more information and a link to St. Luke's Ukraine Donations Fund at Canada Helps.

The Curious Savage – Presented by St. Luke's Players. A warm comedy that compares the kindness and loyalty of psychiatric patients with the greed and hostility of so-called "normal people". Evenings at 7:30 pm Wednesday – Saturday from May 18 – 21 and 25 – 28; Matinees at 2:00 pm Saturday and Sunday May 21, 22, 28, and 29. Tickets are \$16 each and can be purchased through EventBrite. See link at the News page of St. Luke's website. All current COVID-19 protocols will be in place and we recommend that you wear your mask. There will be a 15 minute intermission during this show and the concession will be open.

**The Church as a Centre of Lifelong Learning and Faith Formation – Online workshop via Zoom, May 7th – Presented

by the Synod Office and sponsored by the Congregational Vitality Initiative of the Vancouver School of Theology and the Diocese of New Westminster. This workshop is for clergy and lay leaders with responsibility for faith formation in their parishes. Workshop presenter, John Roberto, offers seven elements he believes are essential for developing lifelong faith formation and transforming faith formation in your church in the next decade and beyond. This presentation and workshops will introduce you to the seven elements and how they can work together to guide your church in becoming a center of lifelong learning and faith formation. More information and the link to register are at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.**

**Heads Up re Cemetery Cleanup Morning – Saturday, May 14th – 9:00 - 11:30 am – Please drop in at any time that morning to see what's new in the cemetery, ask a Cemetery Committee member to help you find a family grave, or to assist with the cleanup. We are planning Cemetery Cleanup Mornings on June 18th and July 16th as well.

An Invitation to Join the SORT Team – Led by Brenda Morgan, we are inviting you to join our new Team to Sort out stuff, Organize spaces logically for dedicated storage, Reuse or recycle to stay as environmentally friendly as possible, Toss out what cannot be recycled, and don't store if we don't need it now. Our first project is to SORT the Church basement (the old Choir room) to create a Youth Learning Centre, a welcoming environment for our Sunday School for September 2022. Please contact the Church Office, Brenda Morgan, or Heather Simpson if you would like to join our fun and enthusiastic team.

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

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.

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.

*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 April 27th, we now have \$\$4,621.73 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 – Our total to date from this program is \$549.49. 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.

Level Ground Fundraiser – We received a payment this month in the amount of \$28.18 for participation in this program during the first three months of this year. Our total to date from this program now is \$90.53. Please continue to take part in this fundraising program to benefit St. Luke's when you buy coffee, tea, and dried fruit through Level Ground

Trading. When you order online at Level Ground Trading, St. Luke's will receive 15%. ONLINE ORDERING IS EASY! Visit Shop at Level Ground (https://levelground.com/collections). At checkout, use the code StLuke to ensure the 15% comes to St. Luke's. The minimum order is \$40 for the 15% return to St. Luke's and this includes free shipping. See more information at the Fundraising page of St. Luke's website.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines - The Most Rev. Joel Atiwag Pachao, Prime Bishop of the Philippines. In the Canadian ACC/ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Most Rev. Anne Germond, Bishop and he Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Assisting Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Missionary Area of Moosonee (ACC); and the congregations of the Winnipeg area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (ELCIC). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish St. Philip, Oak Bay and their priest, Christopher Page. 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 May 8, 2022

Acts 9: 36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7: 9-17 John 10: 22-30

FLOWERS

Today's flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, Joan and John Knight, and her loving companion, John Fuller, from Sandra Lindberg.

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