

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
(Proper 23)
September 4, 2022 - 10:00 am
Holy Eucharist



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*We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories
of the Esquimalt, Songhees and W̱SÁNEĆ 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.

Opening Hymn: CP 465 Gather Us In
(tune: Gather Us In)

Invitation to Confession:

Priest: Brothers and sisters,
We come before God this morning aware that we have
fallen short of what God desires of us. We have not
loved God with all our heart and soul and mind, nor
have we loved our neighbours as we love ourselves.
So let us come before God to confess where we have
failed, and to seek God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Priest: Almighty God,

**All: we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of
life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Absolution:

Priest: Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Priest: Glory to God in the highest,

All: 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

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God,
you search us and know us:
may we rely on you in strength
and rest on you in weakness,
now and in all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 18:1-11

Reader: *Genevieve Richards*

Reader: A reading from the book of Jeremiah

The reading can be found here:

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca/?date=2022-09-04>

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-17

Response: Your works are wonderful, O Lord.

Lord, you have searched me out and known me;
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are
acquainted with all my ways.
Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O Lord, know it altogether. **Response**

You press upon me behind and before
and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it. **Response**

For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I will thank you because I am marvellously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well. **Response**

My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.
Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them. **Response**

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
how great is the sum of them!
If I were to count them,
they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all,
my life span would need to be like yours. **Response**

SECOND READING: PHILEMON 1-21;

Reader: *Gillian Bloom*

Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to Philemon

The reading can be found here:

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca/?date=2022-09-04>

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 431 Take Up Your Cross

(tune: Breslau)

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

Reader: *Harry Felsing*

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/?date=2022-09-04>

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Please stand as you are able.

Prayers of Intercession: Led by Harry Felsing
*In response to the words, "God, in your mercy,"
the community prays, "Hear our prayer."*

Let us pray with confidence as God's holy people
for the needs of the Church, all families,
and for our world...

God of all times and all people,
on this Labour Day Weekend,
we thank you for all the skill and talent with which you
bless your people.

Thank you for what we have accomplished through the
work we do, and for what each one of us contributes to
the wellbeing of our community.

Inspire us to work together on the challenges we face
and surprise us with the solutions to problems that
once seemed overwhelming.

All: God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Today we pray for all those who labour in difficult situations:

for children who work in terrible conditions and are paid very little.;

for migrant workers who must labour far away from their families;

and for all those who are underpaid or unjustly treated in their workplace.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who cannot labour:

for those who are unemployed or underemployed;

for those who have become injured on the job or too sick to keep working;

for those who are denied the opportunity to earn a living because of war or discrimination.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who labour in our community.

for those who must work today and tomorrow instead of enjoying this long weekend;

for those who must work several jobs in order to care for their families;

for those who work at jobs we wouldn't do ourselves because they are messy or unpleasant.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

And on this Labour Day, O God, we offer gratitude for laws that protect children, for health and safety practices that prevent tragedies in the workplace, and for generations before us who advocated for vulnerable employees, fair wages and equal opportunities.

Thank you for the work that goes on behind the scenes, delivering things we enjoy and services we rely on.

Help us to look beyond these things to picture the faces of those whose work provides for all our needs. Through their faces, let us see your face, Creator and Sustainer of all that is. We ask all this in Jesus' name.

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 404 The Trumpets Sound

(tune: The Trumpets Sound)

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

Prayer over the Gifts:

Priest: Lord our God,
in these gifts of bread and wine
we bring ourselves before you
and you let your Son give himself to us.
May we learn from him
to make ourselves free
for people and for you
and to seek your will in all we do.
May we follow your Son

in his trials and his glory,
now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer:

[Source: ECUSA-Enriching Our Worship, 1998 Eucharistic Prayer 1]

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 truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love;
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

(From Common Praise # 735):

**All: 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.

Priest: Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness
in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.
Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil,
opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,
Our Saviour Jesus Christ took bread,

and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:
“Take, eat:

This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine,
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them, and said:

“Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

All: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection,
we now present to you from your creation
this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us
the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Grant that we who share these gifts
may be filled with the Holy Spirit
and live as Christ’s Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage
of your daughters and sons,
that with St. Luke and all your saints,
past, present, and yet to come,
we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
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: The table of bread and wine is now ready.
It is the table of company with Jesus,
and all who love him.
It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world,
with whom Jesus identified himself.
It is the table of communion with the earth,
in which Christ became incarnate.
So come to this table,
you who have much faith
and you who would like to have more;
you who have been here often
and you who have not been for a while;

you who have tried to follow Jesus,
and you who have failed;
Come.
It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

At this time, we are only sharing bread for communion. Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as each section is invited to come forward to the Altar Rail. Please exit to the chapel side and return to your seat.

If you would prefer not to receive communion, please come forward for a blessing. Crossing your hands over your chest will signal the priest to give you a blessing instead.

NOTE: *Gluten free wafers are available on request.*

Please remain seated as we sing the hymn during communion.

Hymn during Communion: CP 52 O God Unseen
(tune: St. Flavian)

Prayer after Communion: *Please stand as you are able.*

Priest: Lord our God,
in this Eucharist you have enlightened us
with the word of wisdom of your Son
and given us his bread of strength
to follow him without hesitation.
Fill us with the wisdom and strength of your Spirit
to go with Jesus
through the desert of pain and the cross
for the sake of bringing life and joy
to our brothers and sisters in need
and for giving glory to you,
our God for ever and ever.

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 God the Father prepare your journey,
Jesus the Son guide your footsteps,
The Spirit of Life strengthen your body,
The Three in One watch over you,
on every road that you may follow.
The blessings of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
be with you and those you love,
Today and always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 401 My Life Flows On

(tune: How Can I Keep From Singing)

Dismissal:

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Thank you to all who assisted with today's service.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for The Anglican Church of Australia, and The Most Revd Geoffrey Smith, Primate of Australia, Archbishop of Adelaide and Metropolitan of South Australia. **In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry (Anglican); The Season of Creation and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth (Lutheran). **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish of Christ Church, Gabriola Island - Karen Hollis. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of Kootenay - Archbishop Lynne McNaughton.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – September 4th – 11th
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

****The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 5th for Labour Day** and will reopen on Tuesday, September 6th at 9 am.

In-Person Coffee Times are Continuing – Today after the 10:00 am service an in-person coffee time will be held in the hall. Coffee/tea and cookies will be available. Park on Synod Road for easy access via the side door of the hall.

***Livestreaming Starting Again Today, September 4th** – After a break to update and re-evaluate our livestreaming process, we will be livestreaming the 10 am service today, September 4th. A recorded version of the service will also be available to watch later at your convenience.

****Ukraine Benefit Concert at St. Dunstan's Church, Sunday, September 4th at 2:30 pm.** Clarinettist Alex Chernata and pianist Jany Lu will present the staples of the clarinet/piano literature. Violist Maki Yamagata will be joining the stage as part of the Finnerty Trio. Admission by donation. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.**

Jewish and Christian Communities in Victoria to Sponsor Muslim Syrian Family – Members of Congregation Emanu-El Synagogue and Lutheran Church of the Cross are working to sponsor a Syrian family of six to start a new life in Victoria. In order to be approved to sponsor this family, the team must raise at least \$40,000 and have already raised \$25,000. Another \$15,000 must be raised by the deadline of October 31, 2022, or the sponsorship space will be lost for this year. The family's UNHCR registration allows the sponsorship team to apply on their behalf through ICA. All funds raised will be used by ICA to assist the refugees to settle here in Victoria. If individuals or businesses would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to help this family, it can be done through one of the following links: ICA - Inter-Cultural Association of Greater Victoria (Note "CG-173-22" in comment box); or Charitable Impact - Sponsor A Syrian Refugee Family of Six. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

Thank You for your Continued Donations to the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Pantry Program – As of our last drop off, **we have now contributed 307 lbs of food donations!** Well done, everyone! Please keep dropping off your donations in the basket at the back of the church or the basket by the office in the hall. **Starting in September, the Kitchen is asking partner groups to focus on a particular needed food item. St. Luke's is asked to collect tins of tuna and salmon.** Of course, other food items are always welcome as well.

Soup Makers Needed for Fall Campus Communion Dinners on Wednesdays at the Multifaith Centre at UVic. Soup is needed for these three dates: September 21st, October 19th,

and November 16th. So far one person is confirmed for each of the dates. Ideally, they would like to have two soups delivered, from two different people, for each date. They are asking that all soups be vegetarian (meat free) to accommodate most diets. For more information, please talk to Sharon McMillan or contact Ruth Dantzer, Anglican Chaplain, at anglican@uvic.ca.

Country Grocer Save A Tape Program Update – Please continue to collect your Country Grocer receipts and turn them in to the Church Office. **We have now completed our fourth \$5,000 and are eligible for \$200 in gift certificates. Well done, everyone! We have started collecting towards our 5th \$5,000 for another \$50 gift certificate. As of August 17th, our total to date for this next gift certificate is \$2,929.91.** 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 – Thank you for using your Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards. **We have now received our fourth payment of \$279.00, bringing our total to date to \$1,070.58 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. For more information, please contact St. Luke's office, talk to Brenda Morgan, or visit the **Fundraising page of St. Luke's website.**

Don't Forget about our Level Ground Fundraiser – We receive 15% of orders made through Level Ground through a quarterly payout. **In this last quarter, no one placed an order with Level Ground so we didn't receive a payout.** Please continue (or start) 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. For more information, visit the **Fundraising page of St. Luke's website** or talk to Barb Prescott.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY September 11th, 2022

Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28

Psalm 14

1 Timothy 1: 1 2-17

Luke 15: 1-10

FLOWERS

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

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