Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 24) September 11, 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 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.

Opening Hymn: CP 428 God Who Gives To Life Its Goodness (Tune: Abbot's Leigh)

Invitation to Confession:

Priest: Brothers and sisters,

Today's message is one of great joy and peace: God is deeply merciful. God welcomes sinners and embraces them. As we prepare to celebrate this celebration of the Eucharist, let us call to mind our own failings as we confess our sins to our merciful God.

Silence is kept.

Priest: Holy and merciful God,

All: long-suffering, full of grace and truth, you create us from nothing and give us life. You give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside.
We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbour. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. Restore us for the sake of your Son, and bring us to heavenly joy, in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

- 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.

Merciful God,

you seek us in the hidden places of our ignorance and in the forgotten corners of our despair. Gather us into your loving embrace, and pour upon us your wise and holy Spirit, so that we may become faithful servants in whom you rejoice with all the company of heaven. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 4: 11-12, 22-28 Reader: Kathleen Patterson

Reader: A reading from the book of Jeremiah

The reading can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-09-11

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life. All: Thanks be to God.

<u>Psalm 14</u>

Response: The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good. The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God. *(Response)* Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; there is none who does good; no, not one. Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord? *(Response)*

See how they tremble with fear, because God is in the company of the righteous. Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, but the Lord is their refuge. *(Response)*

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad. *(Response)*

SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17 Reader: Merry Hallsor

Reader: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy.

The reading can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2022-09-11

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: 1-10 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=2022-09-11

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ. *All:* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: Lead Me Lord by S. Wesley

Please stand as you are able.

The Apostles' Creed

- Priest: Let us together profess the faith of our baptisms as we say:
- All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

<u>Prayers of Intercession:</u> Led by Gillian Bloom In response to the words, "God of mercy," the community prays, "Draw near to all who need you."

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

Ever seeking God, we come before you in prayer, for you have sought us out and claimed us as your own. Thank you for showing us how we are precious to you through the life and love of Jesus Christ. In our prayers we name before you other precious souls and situations. With your Spirit, seek them out:

God of mercy,

All: Draw near to all who need you.

We pray for those who feel lost in life: those who are frightened or anxious, those who are struggling with addiction or mental illness, and those who are lonely or despairing:

silence is kept

May your reassurance and comfort find them.

God of mercy,

All: Draw near to all who need you.

We pray for those who have wandered away: for those separated from their families by conflict or distance; for those whose relationship with the church is broken or forgotten; and for those who have given up on the future in despair.

silence is kept

May your healing and mercy find them.

God of mercy,

All: Draw near to all who need you.

We pray for those who feel forgotten: for those who think that they are worthless or unloved; for those who believe that their sins are too great to forgive; and for those who are convinced that not even God can love them.

silence is kept

May your love and grace find them.

God of mercy,

All: Draw near to all who need you.

Ever watchful God, you keep seeking out wandering sheep and lost coins, lives of all who are precious to you. Thank you for your attentive love and your patient compassion for us all.

May we rejoice with you when any lost soul is embraced, and never substitute our judgment of them for yours. Make us servants of the mercy we meet in Jesus Christ in whose name we pray

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 425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (Tune: Hymn to Joy)

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: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.
All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer:

[Source: Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, <u>The Archbishops' Council</u> 2000, Eucharistic Prayer G]

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: Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever!

> From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

(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: How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord! As a mother tenderly gathers her children you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends, and taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take eat: this is my body which is given for you. do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: 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.

Great is the mystery of faith: All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

> Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory,

and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace ...

Bring us at the last with St. Luke and all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours 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 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 615 Just As I Am (Tune: Woodworth)

Prayer after Communion: Please stand as you are able.

- Priest: God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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 strength of God pilot you; May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the word of God direct you. Be always yours this day and for evermore. The blessings of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and those you love, Today and always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 403 Let All Things Now Living (Tune: The Ash Grove)

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 Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil and The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes Primate of Brazil & Bishop of Curitiba. In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon (Anglican); The staff of the British Columbia Synod (Lutheran). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish of St. Matthias, Victoria and their priest, Colleen Lissamer. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of New Westminster and Bishop John Stephens.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS September 11th - September 18th (**New Items, *Revised Items)

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 Continuing Today – After a break to update and re-evaluate our livestreaming process, we are now livestreaming the 10 am services. A recorded version of the service will also be available to watch later at your convenience.

**Cornerstone Speaker Series: Issues of Violence Against Women and Children – The first session in this series will be on Tuesday, September 20th at 7:00 pm in the church. Presenters for this evening will be from the Victoria Women's Transition House. There will be time for audience discussion and questions at the end. Everyone welcome. Please come out and support this new speaker series.

**Posters for the Issues of Violence Against Women and Children Speaker Series are available at the back of the church. Please take one or two to put up in your building or at a Library or Rec Centre near you.

**The September Faith Tides (formerly the Diocesan Post) is now available online at the News page of St. Luke's website. Print copies are available in the church or from the parish office. Or please call the office (250-477-6741) to ask to have a copy delivered. See more information on the News page of St. Luke's website.

****Prescription Deadline** – **Friday, September 16**th is the deadline for submissions for the Fall issue of St. Luke's Prescription. Please send along your articles, photos, poems,

and other creative endeavours to Sharon McMillan or Barb Prescott or to St. Luke's Church Office at admin@stluke cedarhill.ca or to prescription@stlukecedarhill.ca.

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 fourth 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 September 28th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. More information and a link to register are included at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.

**Sustainable Clothing Show-And-Tell – Sunday, October 2nd from Noon to 2 pm – Lutheran Church of the Cross invites you to learn more about the impact of the clothing industry on the planet and why making these choices is more important than ever. Please RSVP (you can either email or phone: lutheranchurchofthecross@shaw.ca; 250-477-6222). A light lunch will be served. Come dressed in your finest threads that have a story to tell because you buy what you love and wear it for a long time, look for eco-friendly labels, choose used clothing (or hand-me-downs), score fabulous wins at the thrift store, learn how to sew or knit, mend minor defects etc. Speakers from Beacon Community Services, Vintage Fashion Showcase, and UVic will share the inside story about the global clothing industry and the value of recycling. Let's learn and share ideas that will help each other make our clothing choices shine!

*Soup Makers Needed for Fall Campus Communion

Dinners on Wednesdays at the Multifaith Centre at UVic. **Soup is needed for November 16**th. So far one person is confirmed for this date. 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.

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 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. 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.

****The Shelbourne Community Kitchen** needs small jars with well fitting lids. These jars are used to package supplies for people using the pantry program. Jars can be added to our Kitchen food basket or put in a separate bag and Barb Prescott will take them to the Kitchen.

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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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY September 18th, 2022

Jeremiah 8: 18-9: 1 Psalm 79: 1-9 1 Timothy 2: 1-7 Luke 16: 1-13

FLOWERS

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

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