

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Twentieth-First Sunday after Pentecost
(Proper 29)

October 22, 2023 - 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist



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*We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional
territories of the lək̓ʷəŋən peoples, known in our day as the Esquimalt
and Songhees Nations, 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 318 Rejoice Today with One Accord
(*tune: Ein' feste Burg*)

Invitation to Confession

Priest: Today's readings continue our reflection on who God is
and what God expects of us.

In the Judeo-Christian tradition, this understanding
gradually evolved among alternate views.

We face similar challenges today.

How does our faith relate to other important
commitments we have, such as law, politics, etc.

And who is this God in whom we believe?

Jesus confronted these questions,

and his answer is unambiguous and risky.

How do we answer the questions in our own lives?

As we celebrate the word and sacrament today,
let us examine our hearts, minds and spirits,
as we prepare to enter this Eucharistic celebration,
and in doing so, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept.

Priest: Almighty God,

**All: our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,**

in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
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: May almighty God have mercy on,
forgive your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life,
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.

O God,
whose image we bear
and whose name we carry,
yours is the world and all it contains.
Recall us to our true allegiance,
so that above the powers and rulers of this world
you alone may claim our loyalty and love.
We make our prayer
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.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: EXODUS 33: 12-23

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 99

Response: *The Lord our God is the Holy one.*

The Lord is king; let the people tremble;
he is enthroned upon the Cherubim; let the earth shake.
The Lord is great in Zion;
he is high above all peoples.
Let them confess his name, which is great and awesome;
he is the Holy One. (**Response**)

"O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool;
he is the Holy One. **(Response)**

Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his name,
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies
and the decree that he gave them. **(Response)**

"O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds."
Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill;
for the Lord our God is the Holy One. **(Response)**

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 1: 1-10

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul
to the Thessalonians.

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 496 Teach Me, My God and King
(tune: Festal Song)

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22: 15-22

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: *Canticle of Thanksgiving* by D. Wood

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith (*Based on "A Liturgical Affirmation", from A New Zealand Prayer Book*)

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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Sitting, standing or kneeling, as is your custom.

*In response to the words, "God of goodness,"
the community prays, "may we share your love."*

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

God of our hearts and our hopes,
as the season changes
and the land prepares for winter,
we thank you for autumn goodness,
for brilliant colours, birds flying south,
the crackle of fallen leaves
and the taste of this year's harvest.
We are grateful for your steadfast love
amid so much that changes.
Draw close to all those who find this season unsettling,
and help us reach out to those who need us.

God of goodness,
All: may we share your love.

God of our imaginations and insights,
we thank you for all the ways
you inspire human minds
to create things which bring beauty and joy,
as well as relief and healing
for the earth and its people.
Guide those who explore possibilities
and develop new products
to consider the costs as well as the benefits.
Inspire us all to consider the effects
of what we enjoy on the land and the lives of others.

God of goodness,
All: may we share your love.

God of neighbours and neighbourhoods,
we praise you for those
who work to maintain healthy communities:
for teachers and librarians,
healthcare workers and administrators,
coaches and construction workers,
farmers and labourers,
store clerks and wait staff.
We take them for granted until there are too few.
Give each worker
a sense of their value to the common good
and sustain them in their efforts.
Make us good neighbours
to all who serve our community
and remind us to say thank you.

All: God of goodness,
may we share your love.

God of comfort and compassion,
we pray for all those who are struggling this autumn,
whatever the reason.
We remember before you
those facing illness or waiting for treatment...
those who worry about winter expenses
or finding shelter...
those who are grieving the loss of someone close...
and those whose mental health
is under pressure these days...
Awaken us
to the needs of those at risk in our communities
and help us respond
with your comfort and compassion.

All: God of goodness,
may we share your love.

With gratitude for your love,
we offer these prayers in Jesus' name.

All: Amen.

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

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

All: And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: CP 532 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

(tune: Friendship)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Lord our God,
we bring this bread and wine before you
as the signs in which your Son Jesus Christ
relives his commitment to us.
May they also become the signs
of our responsibility towards others,
that with your Son we may be ready
to break the bread of ourselves
and to share ourselves with people
as a refreshing cup that is passed around.
Grant us this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

*[The Scottish Episcopal Church – Scottish Liturgy 1982 with
Alternative Eucharistic Prayers (Revised 2022).]*

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 to thank you and praise you,
holy and gracious God,
creator of all things,
ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life,
for you are the source of all goodness,
rich in mercy and abounding in love;
you are faithful to your people in every generation,
and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
with the fellowship of saints
and the company of heaven,
we glorify your holy name,
evermore praising you and singing:

(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: We praise you, merciful Father,
not as we ought, but as we are able,
because in your tender love
you gave the world your only Son,
in order that the world might be saved through him.
He made you known by taking the form of a servant,
healing the sick, liberating the oppressed,
reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross,
he confronted the power of sin
and disarmed it for ever.
In his offering of himself,
he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.
Redeemed by Christ,
we have been adopted as your children;
by your pardon
you have made us worthy to praise you.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,
gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

In obedience to him and with grateful hearts
we approach your holy table,
remembering our Saviour's sacrifice,
and rejoicing in his victory.
Confident in his sovereign purpose,
we declare our faith:

**All: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit on us
that as we receive this bread and this cup
we may partake of the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and feed on him in our hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

May we be renewed in his risen life,
filled with love,
and strengthened in our will to serve others;
and make of our lives, we pray,
a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you,
knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honour and glory, now and forever.

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.

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as the congregation is invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine.

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 hymns during communion.

Hymns during Communion:

CP 56 I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life

(tune: Picket Wood)

CP 649 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

(tune: Trentham)

Prayer after Communion *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: Gracious God,
you are about to send your people
gathered here around your Son,
back to the human city
to join forces with all
to build up the city of God.
Make us sensitive to the needs of others
and help us to give to all equal chances in life,
to build up communities of friendship and love
and to warm the earth
with a touch of your gentleness.
Be present in our human world
through Jesus 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.**

Announcements and Stewardship Testimonial

Benediction

Priest: Go now
as those who have found favour in the sight of God.
Be imitators of Jesus Christ
and an example to all of the life of faith.
To the world in which you live,
give your love and service,
and to God,
give all that you are and all that you shall be.

And may the glory of God's goodness
be revealed to you;
May the grace and peace of Jesus Christ
take root in you;
And may the inspiration of the Holy Spirit
fill you with joy.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 341 God of Mercy, God of Grace
(tune: Heathlands)

Dismissal

Leader: 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 Korea - The Most Revd Peter Kyongho Lee - Primate. **In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** The Rt. Rev. John Stephens, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of New Westminster (Anglican); An end to gender-based violence and human trafficking (Lutheran). **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish of St. Philip, Lantzville, their Wardens and Parish Council. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of Yukon and The Right Reverend Lesley Wheeler-Dame.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS
October 22nd - October 29th
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

Please stay for Coffee Time this Sunday after the 10 am service – Park on Synod Road for easy access via the side door of the hall.

****Congratulations to Harry Felsing**, who received the title of Member of the Order of the Diocese of British Columbia at the Investiture Service at Christ Church Cathedral yesterday.

***A Fall Cemetery Cleanup** is planned for **THIS SATURDAY, October 28th from 9:30 to 11:30 am**. Please come and help tidy the cemetery for the winter. Many hands make light work!

***NEXT SUNDAY, October 29th will be St. Luke's Celebration Sunday** – A special service at 10 am will be followed by a catered lunch. This is our opportunity to gather for a time of joyful celebration. **Please note that there will not be an 8 am service next Sunday.**

****A Big Thank You from the Shelbourne Community Kitchen** for the Thanksgiving food donations they received from St. Luke's. Kim at the Shelbourne Community Kitchen says, "Thank you so much to everyone at St. Luke's who gave so generously." Our donation totalled 235 pounds of food for the Kitchen Pantry Program. Thanks to everyone for bringing food items to the church, to the Altar Guild for decorating the church and displaying all the produce so beautifully, and to Noreen and Rick Saville for delivering the food items to The Kitchen.

****Spook-Tacular Halloween Organ Concert** – The Victoria Centre of the Royal Canadian College of Organists (RCCO) is presenting a **free Halloween Organ Concert on Saturday, October 28th at 4:00 - 5:00 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**, Broughton and Douglas Streets. Music includes scary Hallowe'en toccatas, Phantom of the Opera, Dancing Mad from

Final Fantasy VI, In the Hall of the Mountain King, and more. Prizes awarded for the best Hallowe'en costume.

****Our next Fantastic Friday will be Friday, November 3rd from 4:30 to 6:30 pm in St. Luke's Hall.** Invite your friends, neighbours, children, and grandchildren to join in the fun and find out why these Fridays are fantastic! For more information or to offer to help (always greatly appreciated!), please talk to Tara Poilievre, Barb Prescott, Sharon Hallsor, or Claire White.

****Sunday, November 5th** will be our Service of Remembrance at 10 am. The service will start in the church and then we will move outside to honour the 161 veterans in the cemetery.

****Bring Home the Kitchen Campaign** – The Shelbourne Community Kitchen has launched its Bring Home the Kitchen Capital Campaign to raise funds for the construction of a commercial kitchen and accessibility improvements. When the Kitchen moved to its current location, it could not afford to do all the improvements at once and the project was split into two phases. The Kitchen has already raised 64% of the total campaign goal through the generosity and unwavering support of community members, local businesses, and philanthropic organizations. **With the campaign's launch, the Shelbourne Community Kitchen invites the community at large to contribute and become champions of this transformative initiative.** To help ensure they meet their goal, a long-time generous anonymous donor has pledged to match the first \$50,000 of donations! To learn more about the Capital Campaign or make a donation, see more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

****Shelbourne Community Kitchen Benefit Concert, Jazz Bar – Sunday, October 29th from 3 - 5 pm at Lutheran Church of the Cross.** Tickets are \$50 per person, available from the Shelbourne Community Kitchen website: <https://www.shelbournecommunitykitchen.ca/> and at the door. The ticket includes a specialty dessert or savory appetizer and a warm beverage, both non-alcoholic and alcoholic options

available. This concert is part of the Kitchen's "Bring Home the Kitchen Campaign" to raise funds for constructing the commercial kitchen and accessibility upgrades. The concert will feature Kelby MacNayr (vocals), Tony Genge (piano), Joey Smith (guitar), and Bob Watts (drums). Two other concerts are planned for November 26th from 3 - 5 pm at St. George's Anglican Church, and on Sunday, December 10th at 7 pm at Church of the Cross. Watch for more information on these concerts coming soon.

Save the Date for St. Luke's Christmas Bazaar November 18th from 10 am - 2 pm. Now is the time to think of items you could make for the sale, such as craft items, jams and jellies, or baking which could be frozen. Thank you in advance for your help with this exciting fundraiser and community event.

Jams and Jellies for the Christmas Bazaar – It's time to make jams and jellies for the Christmas Bazaar in November. Please leave extra canning jars at the back of the church. Call Pat Bates for more information.

Sidespeople/Greeters Needed for the 10 am Service – We need several people who could be on the substitute list as greeters/sidespersons for this service when the present greeters are away on Sunday. Please talk to Heather Simpson or Barb Prescott if you are interested in being part of this important welcoming ministry.

Coffee Times in the Fall – **We still need some people to make coffee this fall.** We all enjoy the coffee times after the 10 am service! Please look at your calendar and find a Sunday or two when you can make coffee for the coffee time. **Please let Barb Felsing know when you can help out.** If you haven't volunteered in this way yet, instructions and "on the job training" will be provided.



St. Luke's Celebration Sunday will be next Sunday, October 29th, when we will celebrate our coming together as a full congregation to honour both our heritage and our commitment to St. Luke's future. We will also observe the Festival of St. Luke, transferred from October 18th. In preparation for our celebration on October 29th, we are enriching our biblical understanding of Christian stewardship through a spiritual growth oriented process. This stewardship approach focuses on the need of givers to give of their time, talent, and treasures for their own spiritual development rather than on the need of the church to receive.

Stewardship Team members and Parish Council members encourage your participation in **Celebration Sunday** events. We urge you to plan now to attend this important two-part event: the **Sunday morning worship at 10 am with a celebration luncheon** (a fully catered meal, not a potluck lunch) immediately following worship that same day.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in the **October 29th Celebration Sunday** events.

The Stewardship Team
Daniel Fournier, Sharon Hallsor, Tara Poillievre,
and Barb Prescott

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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY October 29th, 2023

Deuteronomy 34: 1-12

Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17

1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8

Matthew 22: 34-46

FLOWERS

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

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