St. Luke Cedar Hill Celebration Sunday

(Proper 30/St. Luke's Day) October 29, 2023 - 10:00 am Holy Eucharist



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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the lekwenen 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 300 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

(tune: Westminster Abbey)

Gathering of the Children for Sunday School

Invitation to Confession

Priest: Sisters and brothers,

throughout Judeo-Christian history, people have explored how to live as God's people. Reflecting on our bottom line as committed Christians

could not be more relevant

in our current political and economic climate.

Today's readings reiterate that faithful living means — at rock bottom — loving and caring for one another, especially the most vulnerable.

The instructions could not be simpler.

That we still need to hear this reminds us that simple does not mean easy.

As we prepare our hearts to celebrate word and sacrament on this special day, let us call to mind our sins.

Silence is kept.

Priest: Almighty God,

AII: 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

Almighty God, Priest:

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.

AII: Amen.

(Common Praise tune # 374)

AII: Glory be to God in heaven, peace, goodwill to all the earth,

mighty God of all creation,

Father of surpassing worth.

We exalt you, we adore you,

we lift high our thanks and praise, saints and angels bow before you,

here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love, Son of God and gracious Saviour, you have come from heaven above. On the cross you died to save us, now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer, restore, forgive us, in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you, Lord alone to you we call, Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all. Jesus Christ with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendour bright, for the peace that we inherit glory be to God on high!

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; and keep us mindful of your mercy, so that we may love you with our whole heart and love our neighbour as ourselves. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

Bell Choir: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee; arr. Muriel Ali

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 34: 1-12

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90: 1-6, 13-17

Response: From age to age you are God.

Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God. (Response)

You turn us back to the dust and say, "Go back, O child of earth."
For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night. (Response)

You sweep us away like a dream; we fade away suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered. (Response)

Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? be gracious to your servants.
Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us and the years in which we suffered adversity. (Response)

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 2: 1-8

Reader: A Reading from the First 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 465 Here in This Place New Light is Streaming (tune: Gather us in)

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22: 34-46

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.

Please be seated.

Guest Homilist: Walter Stewart

Lay Vice-Chair,

Western Peninsula and Gulf Islands Region

Anthem: Celebrate God by Scott Bastien

Considering Stewardship

Please stand as you are able.

The Apostle's 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.

Prayers of Intercession

Sitting, standing or kneeling, as is your custom.

In response to the words, "God in your mercy," the community prays, "Hear our prayer."

On this Celebration Sunday and Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, let us pray with confidence as God's holy people for the needs of the Church, all families, and for our world... A prayer of thanksgiving for St. Luke's Parish: Generous God, our hearts are crowded with gratitude as we celebrate the feast of St. Luke. We have come to this table of thanksgiving with great joy and eagerness, for we are truly grateful to you, our God, for all that we have been given.

Loving God, who guided our forebears, we offer unto you a prayer of thanks and ask your blessing on all those who have served and worked in this branch of Christ's Church for all these years.

We thank you for every memory that our celebrations revives, and for the great number of witnesses who have made this festival of our church an occasion for celebration.

Short silence

Creator God, we pray for the peace of the world, raising before you the countless places and populations who have never enjoyed the peace which we here so often take for granted.

We offer our heartfelt prayers for peace in our world, and especially at this time we pray for the people of the Ukraine.

We pray for all people who are suffering from the effects of war and violence in the Middle East, especially in the Gaza region.

Jesus said, "Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be known as the Children of God," and with this in mind, we pray that world leaders would strive for peace not only internationally

but also within their own countries.

May peace begin with us, in our homes, with our families and friends as we strive to follow in Jesus' footsteps.

Short silence

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Holy God, we thank you for the joy of human love, and for all those among whom we live and work. We pray particularly for loved ones who worry us with their health, or circumstances, or life direction. We pray for those among our friends and families who do not know you, or whose faith has been shaken.

Short silence

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Loving God, just as you inspired St. Luke, inspire all modern doctors with skill, professionalism and compassion for their patients. Enable them to cure the ills of both body and spirit that afflict so many in our day. We pray now for all those whom we know and love and are in need of healing......

Short silence

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Compassionate God, many people die from a lack of proper medical facilities each day. Show your mercy to those who suffer so unjustly from these sins against your love, and gather them to the eternal kingdom of peace.

We especially pray for medical charities and for safe and free movement of supplies in areas of conflict.

Short silence

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Faithful God, may we, like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, know the fire that burns in every heart touched by the risen Christ in our midst...

Short silence

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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 384 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (tune: Lobe den Herren)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of compassion,

you are a strong tower for all who trust in you.

Be now and evermore our defence,

that we may proclaim the only name under heaven

given for health and salvation, the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

[Source: Eucharistic Prayer E - Common Worship: Services and

Prayers for 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

that we should give you thanks, praise and glory,

almighty and everlasting God,

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For after his resurrection

he sent out his apostles and evangelists

to preach the gospel to all nations and lead us in the way of truth.
Himself the chief cornerstone.

he founded his Church upon the apostles

firmly to stand for ever

as a sign of your holiness upon earth

and a living witness to all

of the way that leads to heaven.

And so with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven

we lift our voices

and join in their unending hymn of praise:

(From Common Praise # 735):

Hosanna in the highest.

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.

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 and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

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

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory. Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Priest: Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

> Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with St. Luke and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving 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: 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 385 Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

(tune: Üttingen)

CP 62 Come, Let Us Eat

(tune: A Va de)

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

Priest: Living God,

may we who have shared in these holy mysteries

enjoy health of body and mind,

and witness faithfully to your gospel, in the name of 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.

Benediction

Priest: Go now, with courage in our God.

Declare the message of the gospel which God has entrusted to us.

and in wholehearted love for God and for others, share not only the message, but your very selves.

And may God be your haven;

May Christ Jesus lead you into love - heart, soul and mind;

And may the Holy Spirit bless the work of your hands

and gladden all your days.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 565 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (Tune: Cwm Rhondda)

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 Melanesia - The Most Revd Leonard Dawea - Primate. In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon (Anglican); The president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon (Lutheran). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for Diocesan Council and all Parish Councils. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of Caledonia - Bishop David Lehmann.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS October 29th - November 5th (**New Items, *Revised Items)

**St. Luke's Celebration Sunday Lunch after the Service – Please stay for lunch after today's service.

*Attention Crafters! Joanne Jolson and Heather Simpson are hosting a craft night on the 1st and 3rd Thursday each month in the Sequoia Room (Lounge) from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. The next Craft Night will be on Thursday, November 2nd. Crafts included (but not limited to) knitting, crocheting, sewing, needlework, quilting, card making, woodworking, or other forms

of crafts. Please talk to Joanne or Heather if you have any questions.

- *Our next Fantastic Friday will be THIS 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.
- **Daylight Savings Ends Next Sunday, November 5th. Don't forget to put your clocks back one hour before going to bed next Saturday night. Otherwise you'll be early for church on Sunday morning!
- *Next Sunday, November 5th will be a 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.
- *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 last Saturday.
- 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.

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 – TODAY, Sunday, October 29th from 3 - 5 pm at Lutheran Church of the Cross. Tickets are \$50 per person, available 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.

**Thank You to Two Volunteers Who Cleaned the 161
Veterans' Markers over the summer and into the fall. What a
wonderful project! As one of the volunteers comments, "This is
about our veterans. I have my great great uncle's WWI scroll as
he was killed in action in Belgium. The last line on the scroll
reads, Let those who come after see to it that his name be not
forgotten." We are honoured that these volunteers chose to
help us remember the veterans in St. Luke's cemetery through
their work cleaning all 161 of the veterans' markers.

No Stone Left Alone – On Friday, November 10th at 1:15 pm, Grade 8 students from Cedar Hill Middle School will visit St. Luke's Cemetery to place poppy rocks on veterans' headstones for their observance of No Stone Left Alone. The aim of this event is to educate students about Canada's rich history of service to country and to remember our fallen by placing the Legion symbol of remembrance, the poppy, at veterans' headstones. For learn more about the No Stone Left Alone program, visit the **Events page St. Luke's website.

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.

**Cedar Hill Middle School - School Replacement Project Update #3 – Excavation of the site has begun. See the update at the News page of St. Luke's website.

Welcome To St. Luke Cedar Hill



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visit St. Luke's website:
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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY November 5th, 2023

Revelation 7: 9-17

Psalm 34: 1-10, 22 1 John 3: 1-3

Matthew 5: 1-12

FLOWERS

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

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