

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025 – 10 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.

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Prelude (*Please be seated.*)

Welcome and Introduction. (*The Rev. Daniel Fournier*)

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn:

CP 319 Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

(tune: Nativity)

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Invitation to Confession

Priest: As in any new counter-movement,
early Christians made their case
regarding Christ's identity and redemptive work
under perilous conditions
and the possibility of persecution.
Their faith and commitment
were expressed at enormous risk.
This is still true for Christians
in some places and situations, but not for most of us.
Today's readings challenge us:
How compelling is our personal faith commitment?

Today, as we hear the Good News
of Jesus' third appearance to the disciples,
challenging them to deeper convictions.
Let us look into our hearts
as we confess our sin to our God who calls us to follow.

Silence is kept.

**All: Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

Absolution

Priest: May the God of love and power
Forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

All sing - Gloria: *(Common Praise tune # 425):*

**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!

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace
and who raises the dead to life
who lives and reigns with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: ACTS 9: 1-20

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Acts.

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: A Reading from the Revelation to John.

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 430 Will You Come and Follow Me
(tune: Kelvingrove)

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 21: 1-19

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.

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: *Come Follow Me* by J. Althouse

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith *(from Ephesians 3)*

Priest: 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.

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

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE,
we pray today for The Church of Ireland, The Most
Revd John McDowell, Primate. **Locally we pray for**
Anna, our Bishop, and for the regional Archdeacons.
We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and
Pastor Lyndon, **and for** the Diocese of the Territory of
the People, and Bishop Clara Plamondon.

God of care,
we draw near to you in prayer,
trusting that your love changes lives
and your resurrection brings renewal and redemption
into the world God loves.

As we lay before you the concerns on our hearts,
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, Lord,
the concerns we share from the news headlines
and the many world situations
where hope and change are desperately needed.

(Name situations we bring to prayer...)

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

We lay before you, O 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.

(Names of those we are praying for...)

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

We lay before you, God of peace,
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,
between countries, and around the world.

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

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

God, in your great mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Lord 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.

God of Grace, receive these prayers
and the unspoken prayers of our hearts.
We offer our prayers
in the name of our risen Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

Invitation and Peace *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready.
It is the table of company with Jesus
and with all those 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 faith
and you who would like to have more.
You who have been to this sacrament often,
and you who have not been for a long time.
You who have tried to follow Jesus,
and you who have failed.
Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

As we prepare to come to the table
let us exchange a sign of peace with one another.

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

All: And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: CP 405 Alleluia No. 1

(tune: Alleluia No. 1)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Creator of all,
you wash away our sins in water,
you give us new birth by the Spirit,
and redeem us in the blood of Christ.
As we celebrate the resurrection,
renew your gift of life within us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

[Source: Eucharistic Prayer E. from Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England (2000) (including the Psalter as published with Common Worship)]

Priest: May God 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 just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death
with light that will not fade.
This day the risen Lord walks
with your gathered people,
unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.
And though the night will overtake this day
you summon us to live in endless light,
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.
And so, with choirs of angels
and with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending song of praise:

(From Common Praise # 719):

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are 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.

Christ is the bread of life:
**All: When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you 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 3 times - From Common Praise # 721*)

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 (*Setting: Land of Rest*)

All: **O Lamb of God, you take away**
 the sins of the world;
 Have mercy on us, Lamb of God,
 and grant us your peace.

The Giving of Communion

Priest: 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 70 Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts

(tune: Maryton)

CP 82 Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

(tune: Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises)

CP 314 Laudate Omnes Gentes

(tune: Laudate Omnes Gentes)

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

Priest: Author of life divine,
in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord.
Feed us always in these mysteries,
that we may show your glory to all the world.
We ask this 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.**

Announcements *(Please be seated.)*

Blessing *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: As you go out into the world,
seek the presence of the Risen Christ in each other
and in all of Creation.
May God give you joyful courage
to follow the command of Jesus:
“Feed my lambs. Tend my sheep. Feed my sheep.”

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: MS 134 Spirit Song

(by J. Wimber)

O let the Son of God enfold you
with his Spirit and his love,
let him fill your life and satisfy your soul.
O let him have the things that hold you
and his Spirit, like a dove,
will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain: Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness
as your hearts are filled with joy,
lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.
O give him all your tears and sadness,
give him all your years of pain,
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. **Refrain**

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God, Alleluia.

Postlude

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

In the Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Bishop, the Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Assisting Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Victoria Matthews, Episcopal Administrator, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Moosonee (Anglican); **for** the congregations of the Winnipeg area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (Lutheran); **and for** the Rt. Rev. Michael Johnson, Bishop of the Unity residing in the Northern Province (Moravian).

May 4th – May 11th
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

***Thank you to our amazing volunteers** for all your help in making this year's **Spring Fair** a success, from set up to take down and everything in between. Your donations and all your work before, during, and after the Fair are very much appreciated. **This year's Spring Fair brought in \$5,625.50**, with a bit more money from a few stalls still coming in. Well done, everyone! Carol Turnham.

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.

****Old Cemeteries Society Tour of St. Luke's Cemetery – Today at 2 pm.** This tour will feature the stories of the farmers, florists, and gardeners who are resting in St. Luke's Cemetery. The descendants and friends of these families will tell their stories. **Charge for the tour is \$5** (cash please).

***Sacred Frontiers – No Sacred Frontiers this Sunday** as we are invited to attend the Confirmation Service at Christ Church Cathedral. Sacred Frontiers will resume next Sunday.

***Diocesan-Wide Confirmations – Sunday, May 4th at 4:00 pm at Christ Church Cathedral.** Please plan to attend to support those from St. Luke's who are being confirmed and those who are reaffirming their baptismal vows.

A Vintage Fashion Show and Tea – Saturday, May 10th from 2 – 4 pm in St. Luke's Hall. In honour of St. Luke's 165th anniversary, **Vintage Fashion Showcase will present Local History Through Fashion from 1860 to 1980.** Afternoon Tea will be served, featuring a selection of delicious baked goodies. There will be door prizes. Tickets are \$25 and are on sale now from Claire White and via the **events@stlukecedarhill.ca** e-mail.

****Reflections Services – No Reflections Service this month.** Our next Reflections Service will be on Sunday, June 8th at 7:00 pm. It will feature the Riccio String Quartet.

****Heads Up – We will be holding the first Cemetery Cleanup** of the year on Saturday, May 17th from 9 am to 11:30 am. Many hands make light work!

Early Bird Registration is now open for this year's Amazing Journey Day Camp, which will be held **July 7th – 11th** in the mornings, **9 am to noon at St. Luke's.** St. Luke's joins with Church of the Cross each summer for a week-long day camp hosted at one of the churches. If you have children, grandchildren, or friends with children ages 4 through 11, please consider registering them to participate in the day camp. **Children born January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2021 are eligible to be campers.** The registration form can found at the **News page of St. Luke's website.** Early Bird Registration Fees are 1st child - \$50; 2nd child - \$45; 3rd and additional child - \$40. We are also looking for **Middle School students to be Leaders in Training and High School students to be Small Group Leaders.** Questions? Please talk to Tara Poilievre, Sharon Hallsor, or Barb Prescott.

Rug/Latch Hooking Supplies Needed – Have you ever done rug/latch hooking? Do you have extra tools or cut pieces you no longer need? We are looking for spare supplies for our Summer Day Camp in July. If you, or anyone you know, has any you could donate, please talk to Tara Poilievre. Thank you.

St. Luke's Is on Instagram – Did you know that St. Luke's is now on Instagram? Thanks to Sahar Saeidbakhsh for setting up Instagram for us. You'll find the Instagram link in the top right corner of the home page of our website or at this link: https://www.instagram.com/saint_lukechurch/ Please follow St. Luke's on Instagram.

Stock Up the Shelves for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen

We all enjoyed our coffee time at the end of March and Sneak Peek at the Shelbourne Community Kitchen's new commercial kitchen.

Now it's our turn to help The Kitchen. Kim Cummins, Executive Director of Shelbourne Community Kitchen, comments: "The new space is brighter, more accessible, and now includes an exciting commercial kitchen...all to better serve the many individuals and families who rely on The Kitchen each month.

But while the renos are complete, the long renovations phase combined with the growing need for support has impacted our food supplies, and the Pantry shelves are in need of some love! That's why the **"Stock Up the Shelves"** campaign has been **extended until May 30th**, and our community's support is more important than ever.

The most helpful way to give is through **cash donations**, which stretch much further thanks to The Kitchen's food purchasing partnerships. Every \$1 donated can provide up to **\$3 worth of nutritious food!**

To donate easily: Go to The Kitchen's Canada Helps link:
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/31593>

(At St. Luke's, you can also put a donation in one of your envelopes and note that it is for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen. We collect the monetary donations throughout the month and send a cheque to the Kitchen at the end of the month.)

If you prefer to donate food, we also have our **Spring Into Action Food Drive** on the go right now, and donations of non-perishable food items are accepted gratefully. *(At St. Luke's, please put your donations in the basket in the church and by the church office in the hall.)*

At this time, the **Shelbourne Community Kitchen is most in need of the following 5 items: pasta sauce, diced tomatoes, canned plain beans, baked beans, and canned proteins such as tuna, chicken, or ham.**

Thank you for helping us nourish our neighbours! Your generosity fills more than just shelves... it fills hearts, too.”

IHS

<https://www.anglican.ca/ask/faq/ihs/>

The monogram (initials) IHS refers to Jesus and is made up of the first three letters of the name of Jesus when written in the Greek alphabet. The three letters were incorrectly transcribed/written in the Latin/English alphabet as I H S. The monogram became very popular in the Middle Ages and many explanations of IHS were offered, the most common being Iesus Hominum Salvator (latin for “Jesus, Saviour of Mankind”). Likewise, today IHS is sometimes understood to represent the phrase “In His Service”. The monogram is frequently seen in liturgical art and architecture, especially vestments.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY May 11th, 2025

Acts 9: 36-43

Psalm 23

Revelation 7: 9-17

John 10: 22-30

FLOWERS

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