

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost
October 5, 2025 – 10 am
Holy Eucharist



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

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: CP 492 Sing Hallelujah to Our God

(tune: Kingswood New)

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: Dear friends,
as God's beloved children,
we are invited to come to our God
with the fullness of our lives,
to admit our love and our struggle to love,
to admit our faith and our fear.
Trusting in God's mercy, let us make our confession,
first in silent prayer.

Silence is kept.

Confession

**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.**

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.**

Priest: Glory to God in the highest,

All: **and peace to God's 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.**

Collect of the Day

Priest: May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

God, you weep with those who are oppressed,
with those who are uprooted from their homeland
and with those who are without shelter or security.
Grant that your faithful love may reach out through us,
so that your healing mercy may rise like the dawn.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

Blessing of the Children

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: LAMENTATIONS 1: 1-6

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Lamentations.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE (Lamentations 3: 19-26)

Response: ***Wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.***

The thought of my affliction
and my homelessness is wormwood and gall!
My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me.
But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: **(Response)**

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness. **(Response)**

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."
The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord. **(Response)**

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 1: 1-14

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia (sung 4 times)

(From: Norah Duncan; GIA Publications, Inc.)

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 17: 5-10

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.

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn: Love Knocks and Waits

by Daniel Charles Damon

(tune: Angel's Camp)

**Love knocks and waits for us to hear,
to open and invite;
Love longs to quiet every fear,
and seeks to set things right.**

**Love offers life, in spite of foes
who threaten and condemn;
embracing enemies, Love goes
the second mile with them.**

**Love comes to heal the broken heart,
to ease the troubled mind;
without a word Love bids us start
to ask and seek and find.**

**Love knocks and enters at the sound
of welcome from within;
Love sings and dances all around,
and feels new life begin.**

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier *(Please be seated.)*

Anthem: MV 12 - "Come Touch Our Hearts" *(G. Light)*

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith *[from the New Zealand Prayer Book]*

Leader: Let us declare our faith in God:

**All: You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.**

You are our God. We worship you. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Sitting, standing or kneeling, as is your custom.

Let us pray with confidence as God's holy people.
We pray for the church, for people of faith everywhere,
for people searching for understanding
and for all in our parish.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE,
we pray today for The Anglican Church of Tanzania,
The Most Revd. Dr Maimbo Mndolwa, Primate.
Locally we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for St.
Peter, Comox, and for their parish and wardens. **We**
also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor
Lyndon, **and for** the Diocese of Caledonia, and Bishop
David Lehmann.

Let us pray for the poor, hungry,
and neglected all over the world,
that their cries for daily bread
may inspire works of compassion and mercy
among those to whom much has been given.

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

Let us pray for schools
and centers of learning throughout the world,
for those who lack access to basic education,
and for the light of knowledge
to blossom and shine in the lives of all God's people.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for an end to the divisions and inequalities
that scar God's creation,
particularly the barriers to freedom
faced by God's children
throughout the world because of gender, race,
or economic status.
that all who have been formed in God's image
might have equality
in pursuit of the blessings of creation.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for an end to violence and war in this world
that God has so lovely created.
That centuries old grievances
may be resolved and that humankind
may lay down their weapons of war
in favour of acts of peace and generosity.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the health of women, children,
and families around the world,
especially for an end to maternal and child mortality,
that in building healthy families,
all God's people may be empowered
to strengthen their communities
and repair the breaches
which divide nations and peoples.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for an end to disease throughout the world,
particularly the scourges of HIV/AIDS, malaria,
tuberculosis, and many others,
so that plagues of death may no longer fuel poverty,
destabilize nations,
and inhibit reconciliation and restoration
throughout the world.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for an end
to the waste and desecration of God's creation,
for access to the fruits of creation
to be shared equally among all people,
and for communities and nations to find sustenance
in the fruits of the earth and the water
God has given us.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all nations and people
who already enjoy the abundance of creation
and the blessings of prosperity,
that their hearts may be lifted up
to the needs of the poor and afflicted,
and partnerships between rich and poor
for the reconciliation of the world
may flourish and grow.

God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all those
who have asked this praying community
to hold up to God.

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

Receive all our prayers, spoken and unspoken
as we offer our prayer, through 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 184 My Song Is Love Unknown
(*tune: Love Unknown*)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of truth,
receive all we offer you this day.

Make us worthy servants,
strong to follow in the pattern
of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

*Please remain standing for the whole Eucharistic Prayer,
as you are able.*

Eucharistic Prayer

[Source: Eucharistic Prayer 2 - The Book of Alternative Services. 1985.]

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: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.

By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.
Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! (x2)
Blessed, blessed, blessed, blessed is the one
coming in the name, the name of our God.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! (x2)**
[From: St. Aidan Setting; John Bell, The Iona Community]

Priest: Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;

who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."

In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever.

All: Ameni, ameni, amen, amen, amen, ameni. (repeat)
[From: Young men; Christ the New Man Parish, Ga-Rankuwa, South Africa; GIA Publications, Inc.]

The Lord's Prayer

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

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
 have mercy on us. (twice)
 Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
 grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.**
[From: St. Bride Setting; John Bell, The Iona Community]

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 49 Draw Near and Take
(tune: Song 46)

CP 57 Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist
(tune: Song 1)

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

Priest: Almighty God,
may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist
remain in your steadfast love,
and show in our lives
the saving mystery that we celebrate.
This we ask 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.**

Announcements *(Please be seated.)*

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

Priest: Imagine what a mustard seed of faith
might do this week in your life.

Not a quart,

nor a gallon,

nor a truckload.

Just a mustard seed.

Imagine.

Now go and live out that grace.

"And may the blessing of almighty God,

the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

come down on you and remain with you for ever"

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 399 Now Thank We All Our God

(tune: Nun Danket)

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

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

In the Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we

pray for The Rt. Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee, Bishop, and
clergy and people of the Diocese of British Columbia

(Anglican); **for** the dean, council, and congregations of the
Lower Mainland Region of the British Columbia Synod

(Lutheran); **and for** Remember missing and murdered

Indigenous women, girls, and 2SLGBTQQIA people and their
families, and pray for an end to gender-based violence

(Together).

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS
October 5th – October 12th
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

Please stay a coffee time after today's service – Park on Synod Road for easy access via the side door of the hall.

****Service Each Thursday Morning** – Don't forget that we have a service each Thursday morning at 10:30 am in the chapel. This is a quiet contemplative and intimate Holy Communion service. Come for mid-week spiritual uplift.

****A Big Thank You to the 1st Cedar Hill Scouts, led by Genessa Poilievre**, who did a great job cleaning up in the cemetery last month. Genessa planned and organized this work bee as the last piece of her Chief Scout Award. Well done, Genessa, and the 1st Cedar Hill Scouts!

****The Men's Fellowship Group will meet Wednesday, October 8th, at 6 pm at the White Spot on Quadra Street.** If you are planning to attend, please advise Harry Felsing.

The next Silver and Sage 55+ Gathering will be on Thursday, October 9th. This new community outreach, run by volunteers, is for anyone from any background or walk of life. Meetings will be held twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays. **On October 9th from 1:30 – 3:30 pm in the church**, the topic will be Art, the New Transformer, featuring Linda Beltrano.

****Thanksgiving is NEXT SUNDAY, October 12th.** We are inviting parishioners to bring food items to decorate the church with non-perishable vegetables (such as squash, potatoes, and yams), fruit, and canned goods to spread God's generosity. **The food will be donated to Shelbourne Community Kitchen afterwards.** The Altar Guild will be decorating the church for Thanksgiving on Saturday, October 11th from 10 am to noon. **The Altar Guild will be happy to accept produce and other food items on Saturday morning or on Sunday at the 8 am and 10 am services.**

***The Shelbourne Community Kitchen's Pump Up The Pantry Food Drive** is on now – We asked Kim Cummins at the Kitchen what items would be helpful for us to collect at Thanksgiving. Their top five most needed items for the Pantry Program are:

- Canned proteins (tuna, ham, chicken, fish)
- Canned plain beans
- Canned tomatoes
- Pasta Sauce
- Toilet Paper

Please bring any of these items as your Thanksgiving donation so that we can help the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Pump Up Their Pantry!

***St. Luke's Players Present "The Hollow"**, a mystery by Agatha Christie, directed by Jacquollyne Keath. An unhappy game of romantic follow-the-leader explodes into murder one weekend at The Hollow, home of Sir Henry and Lady Lucy Angkatell. **Evenings at 7:30 pm, Wednesday – Saturday, 8-11. Matinees at 2:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday, October 5, 11, and 12.** Tickets can be purchased from: Eventbrite; The Papery at 734 Fort St.; or at the door. They are \$18 each (plus their service fee if purchased through Eventbrite). See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.**

This year's Celebration Sunday and Celebration of St. Luke's Patronal Festival will be on Sunday, October 19th. A special service at 10 am will be followed by a catered lunch. The Bishop will be visiting this Sunday to help us celebrate the 165th anniversary of the Parish of St. Luke. This is our opportunity to gather for a time of joyful celebration. **Please note that there will not be an 8 am service that Sunday.**

****October Reflections Service – Sunday, October 19th at 7:00 pm.** The October Reflections will feature **multi-instrumentalist and vocalist, Brenda Morie.** The each month's Reflections feature music along with poems and prayers. Enjoy music in the beautiful candlelit ambiance of St. Luke's in the early evening.

The Service of Investiture for the Order of the Diocese of British Columbia will be on Saturday, October 25th at Christ Church Cathedral at 10:30 am. Anyone who wishes to attend may do so. The service will also be livestreamed on both the Cathedral and Diocesan websites. **Come and support Barb Prescott as she is invested as a Member of the Order of the Diocese of British Columbia.**

Free Fall Prevention Workshop – Older Adult Fitness and Fall Prevention Specialist, Susanne Reul-Zastre, is offering a free workshop for those interested in **Fall Prevention on Saturday, October 25th from 1 - 2:30 pm at Oaklands Community Centre (1-2827 Belmont Ave).** Please register online to reserve your seat (<https://oca.recdesk.com/Community/Program>) or call 250-370-9101. Learn about risk factors as well as consequences and injuries associated with falls. Pick up some lifestyle and exercise tips to minimize the risk of falling inside and outside the home. We will also review how to get up from a fall (either on your own or helping others) and when to seek medical attention. Get ready now, to get steady on your own!

***Thanks so much to everyone for your help at the Attic Treasures Vintage Market last month.** The event brought in **\$4,372.10**, which includes the sale of the tables to the vendors prior to the day. A big thank you to Carol Turnham for her leadership in this successful venture!

Sunday Coffee Times – We are pleased that Rebecca Ford is able to do our set up and cleanup for Sunday coffee times. It had become difficult to find people to volunteer to do the coffee times but we love our coffee times, They are a great way to meet visitors and have chance to visit with one another. We are paying Rebecca \$50/Sunday to look after coffee times for us and this is an expense we didn't put into this year's budget. **So if you able to make an extra donation in your envelopes and note that it is for coffee time that would be helpful.** Could you pay for one time (\$50) or two Sundays (\$100) or maybe even a whole month (\$200)? **Thank you for your donations to date. You have paid for 5 Sundays so far!**

Save the Date for St. Luke's Christmas Bazaar, Saturday November 22nd 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.

The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is Seeking Reusable Grocery Bag Donations – The Pantry Team is seeking donations of reusable grocery bags to be used in their Pantry Program. Clean bags can be dropped in the Shelbourne Community Kitchen baskets in the church or the hall and we'll deliver them to the Kitchen.

Calling all Gardeners – If you are dividing plants now while you are doing your fall cleanup, we would love some drought resistant, deer-proof plants for St. Luke's Memorial Garden and the front border. Perennial herbs would work well as would other plants which are drought resistant and deer-proof. If you have plants to donate, please contact Barb Prescott (communications@stlukecedarhill.ca) or Julie Forster (4sterja@gmail.com). **A big thank you as well to Julie for all the work she has been doing in the front border along the road and the Memorial Garden.**

Navigating the BC Healthcare System – Highgate Lodge is hosting a special seminar on Navigating the BC Healthcare System, presented by Connie Jorsvik, on **Wednesday, October 15th at 2:00 pm in the Highgate Lodge Activities Room.** This informative session is open to the public and will offer valuable insights for seniors and families navigating healthcare challenges. Please RSVP to 250-472-0077. The seminar is free but seating is limited.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY October 12th, 2025

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7

Psalm 66: 1-11

2 Timothy 2: 8-15

Luke 17: 11-19

FLOWERS

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