

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2026
10:00 am Holy Eucharist



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*We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the ləkʷəjən 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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Welcome and Introduction (*The Rev. Daniel Fournier*)

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: CP 5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

(tune: Ratisbon)

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Priest: It is God who has taken the initiative to love us. God's love keeps calling each of us personally, and we hear God's voice especially through Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Do we hear God's voice in our prayer, in the words God speaks to us in the Scriptures, or when God speaks to us from heart to heart in the Eucharistic celebration? And let us not forget too that Jesus speaks to us in the Church that appeals to us in the people who cry out their needs and love to us. As we now prepare to hear the Good Shepherd's voice speaking to us today, let us pause for a moment so that we may listen deeply.

A Peruvian Gloria

(Cantor): Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory in the Highest!
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(Cantor): To God be glory forever!

To God be glory forever!

(Cantor): Alleluia! Amen!

Alleluia! Amen!

The Collect for the Day

Priest: May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: O God,
whose Son is the good shepherd,
send us out as shepherds to seek the lost,
to heal the injured and to nurture all with grace
and compassion; through Jesus,
who calls each by name.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: ACTS 2: 42-47

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 23

Response: *The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters. **(Response)**

He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways
for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **(Response)**

You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
Surely your goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. **(Response)**

SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2: 19-25

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

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: JOHN 10: 1-10

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.

Gospel Hymn: CP 519 The Lord's My Shepherd

(tune: Crimond)

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: *Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring* - Janus/Bach

Please stand as you are able.

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: 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.

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 Nigeria (Anglican
Communion) and the Most Revd Henry C. Ndukuba.
Locally we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for Christ
Church Cathedral School, Victoria, and The Very
Reverend Jonathan Thomas. **We also pray for**
Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyndon, **and**
for the Diocese of Caledonia and Bishop David
Lehmann.

Wise and generous God, shepherd of our lives,
we are thankful this day
for all you provide to sustain us.
You call our weary souls to rest
when the world seems busy.
You bless us with the promise of new life
as pastures around us turn green,
announcing another spring.
You gather us around tables of friendship
to draw strength from one another.
Thank you for signs of your goodness and mercy
we can treasure each day.

Loving and listening God, shepherd of the world,
we bring you our prayers for others,
friends and enemies, neighbours and strangers alike.
We pray for people who are struggling with illness,
loneliness, grief or sadness:

Hold brief silence....

Walk with them through dark days and steep valleys.

All: **Shepherding God,**
Hear our prayer.

We pray for people in countries and communities
where it is not safe to live out their faith
or express their views openly.

Hold brief silence....

Walk with them through dark days and steep valleys.

Shepherding God,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for victims of discrimination, acts of hatred, domestic violence and physical punishment.

Hold brief silence....

Walk with them through dark days and steep valleys.

Shepherding God,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for journalists and advocates for justice who live under threat for telling the truth.

Hold brief silence....

Walk with them through dark days and steep valleys.

Shepherding God,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for congregations that seek to renew and reorganize themselves to meet the needs of the communities they serve.

Hold brief silence....

Walk with them through dark days and steep valleys.

Shepherding God,

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for our families, friends and for ourselves, as well as those in the news whose situations tug at our hearts.

Hold brief silence....

Walk with us all through dark days and steep valleys.

Shepherding God,
All: Hear our prayer.

We offer all these prayers
and our unspoken concerns to you,
in the name of the Risen Lord:

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 come to know it 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 508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
(tune: Kingsfold)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of loving care,
you spread before us the table of life,
and give us the cup of salvation to drink.

Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and our shepherd.

All: Amen.

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

Eucharistic Prayer

*[Source: Eucharistic Prayer 5, The Book of Alternative Services,
Anglican Church of Canada.]*

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: 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:

**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: 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.

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: 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 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: Ameni, ameni, amen, amen, amen. *(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.

Music during Communion

CP 69 We Who Live by Sound and Symbol

(tune: Chartres)

CP 63 Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

(tune: Eat This Bread)

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

Priest: God of steadfast love,
watch over the Church redeemed
by the blood of your Son.

May we who share in these holy mysteries
come safely to your eternal kingdom,
where there is one flock and one shepherd.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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: The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
make you perfect in every good work to do his will;
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: CP 444 Your Hand, O God, Has Guided
(tune: Thornbury)

Dismissal

Leader: Go in the peace of Christ, Allelulia.

All: Thanks be to God, Allelulia.

Postlude

In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Rt. Rev. Todd Townshend, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron (Anglican); **for** the congregations of the Western Manitoba area of Manitoba of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (Lutheran); **and for** our full communion partner churches, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the US-based Episcopal Church (TEC) (Together).

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

April 26th – May 3rd

(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.

***Touches of Sweet Harmony – Today, April 26th at 4 pm** – A Concert to Raise Funds for St. Luke's Grand Piano. **Touches of Sweet Harmony** weaves a breath-taking hour of music and spoken word with Mary Byrne (flute), Wendy Stofer (piano), and Genevieve Richards (reader). In the flowing style of a Christmastide "Lessons and Carols," our Springtime offering celebrates the miracle of music as contemplated by authors of word and manifest by architects of sound. Tickets are \$20, available at the door. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website**.

****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. Carol Turnham.

****The Third Week of Easter Message from Bishop Anna** is a conversation with Bishop Anna and Natalie Wigg. The video is available at the **News page of St. Luke's website**.

Our next Fantastic Friday will be Friday, May 1st 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, Claire White, or Sharon Hallsor.

***The next Silver and Sage 55+ Gathering will be on Thursday, May 14th from 1:30 – 3:30 pm in church.** That session, entitled Herbs and their Lore, will be presented by Thea Todd.

Job Posting for St. Luke's Music Director Position – This position is now posted at the **News page of St. Luke's website**. If you know someone who might be interested, please pass the information on to them. **The deadline date for applications is May 15th.**

Early Bird Registration for This Year's Amazing Journey Day Camp is now open. This Year's Amazing Journey Day Camp will be from **July 6th – 10th in the mornings, 9 am to noon.** **The theme this year will be Unlocking God's Promises.** St. Luke's joins with Church of the Cross each summer for a week-long day camp hosted at one of the churches. **This year's camp will be at Church of the Cross Children born January 1, 2015 to June 30, 2022 are eligible to be campers.** We will also be looking for Middle School students to be Leaders in Training and High School students to be Small Group Leaders. **Online and printable registration forms are available at the News page of St. Luke's website.**

****Old Keys** – Do you have old keys collecting in a drawer somewhere? Well, you're in luck. We'd like them for a craft for this summer's Amazing Journey Day Camp. Please bring them with you to church. We will put a collection jar for them on the table at the back of the church.

****Let's Go Camping!** Jason and Tara are booking the back 40 at Camp Barnard, our local Scout Camp in Sooke, on the weekend of August 14-16. We invite you to join us for the weekend. The site is off-grid so there are no hook-ups, just pit toilets and water taps. The cost is \$5 per person per night. If

camping isn't your thing, you are welcome to come out for the day on Saturday. Bring your own lunch, lawn chair, sunhat, etc. We may or may not have access to the waterfront but we will confirm that later. **Please contact Tara to make your commitment by mid-May.**

Donations Towards St. Luke's Grand Piano – Thank you for your donations to date. **As of April 6th, we have received \$6,175 in donations, including the donations from the Buy A Key Fundraiser.**

Buy A Key Fundraiser – The keys and pedals on our grand piano are available to be sponsored. A White Key costs \$25, a Black Key costs \$35, and a Pedal costs \$50. **Please fill out a pledge card, put both it along with the sponsorship amount (cash or cheque) in a "Piano Donation" envelope and place it in the donation basket on the table at the back of the church or in the collection plate.** If you prefer to pay by e-transfer, please complete the pledge form, circle the Y in 'E-Transfer Y' section and include 'Piano Sponsorship' in the notes section of your e-transfer. If you do not want your name to be acknowledged on a "Sponsor List" that will be included in any future Concert Programmes, please circle the N in 'Name on a Key N' that is on the Piano Sponsorship Pledge Form. Please note that purchasing this Grand Piano enables St. Luke's to offer our heritage church building to the community as a performance-quality acoustic venue. If you have any questions, please reach out to Claire White, People's Warden.

Karren Stinson Bursary for Lutherans and Anglicans based in Western Canada – Application Deadline: April 30th, 2026 – The Karren Stinson Bursary Fund celebrates the life of a parish worker at Lutheran Church of the Cross, the late Karren Louise Stinson. The purpose of this Bursary Fund is to give financial assistance to Lutherans and Anglicans based in Western Canada who are currently involved in post-secondary education leading to a vocation of service. Applications are invited for this year's bursary of \$1,500. **To apply for the 2026 Karren Stinson Bursary, please visit the News page of St. Luke's website and carefully follow the instructions given.**

The Bursary is scheduled to be awarded in the late spring of 2026.

Spring Into Action Food Drive for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen – Now through to May 7th – The Kitchen is inviting all of us at St. Luke's to join in their annual Spring Into Action Food Drive to help keep the Shelbourne Community Kitchen's Pantry shelves stocked. As the cost of living continues to rise across Greater Victoria, demand for their programs is growing. Donation suggestions include cans of fish and meat, canned plain beans, pasta sauce, granola bars, and juice boxes. **Please continue to fill the baskets at the back of the church and in the hall to help keep the Kitchen Pantry Program shelves stocked** for the months to come with healthy food for families. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website**.

The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is looking for donations of reusable grocery bags to be used in their Pantry Program. Out of respect for the Kitchen's members and volunteers, please make sure that all bags are clean and in good working condition prior to donating them to the Kitchen. Reusable bags can be added to the collection baskets for the Kitchen in the church and the hall.

Shelbourne Community Kitchen is Recruiting a Treasurer
The Kitchen is seeking a community-minded and fiscally knowledgeable individual to join their Board of Directors as Treasurer to ensure The Kitchen continues on its path of strong financial management. This is a meaningful opportunity to contribute your financial skills to support their programs that help local families and seniors access healthy food, build skills, and stay connected. See more information **at the News page of St. Luke's website**.

The Children's Room – Daniel, Sharon Hallsor, and the Wardens have made the decision to hire a Sunday School Leader this year to enhance our children's learning at the Sunday 10 am service. In the interim, **we require 2 adults to supervise the children in the Children's Room in the**

church basement. If you are interested in joining the roster, please contact Daniel, Sharon Hallsor, or any of the Wardens for further details.

Calling All Bakers – We would love some baking for Coffee Times. Cookies, loaves, and squares are particularly welcome. Baking donations can be brought to the hall during office hours (9 to noon, Monday to Friday) or during coffee times to be put in the small freezer downstairs by the Studio. Thanks so much to those who have already dropped off baking.

Committees at St. Luke's

Since introducing the committee structure to the parish in March 2026, we have already had numerous committee chairs step forward. Now, St. Luke's is looking for parishioners to volunteer for committee member roles. Committee members can expect a 3-4 hour commitment per month, and a fixed term (until April 2027).

This committee structure is not a new thing - it harkens back to the way St. Luke's became a thriving church in the past. It is based on the "many hands make light work" concept. The committees allow members of the parish to participate in and contribute to the work of the church.

Please scan the committee summary that follows and consider volunteering for an area of interest. Being part of a committee can be fun and rewarding. If you are interested in volunteering for a committee or have questions, please contact me (Heather Stewart) at **strategy@stlukecedarhill.ca**.

List of Committees

Committee Name	Purpose of Committee
Buildings Committee	Assess building-related priorities and oversee execution of projects.
Children, Youth and Family Committee	Plan and coordinate all children, youth, and family programs.
Communications Committee	Create internal and external communications content. Oversee publications.
Event and Fundraising Committee	Hold major events to raise funds and increase community awareness of St. Luke's.
Finance Committee	Advise on financial matters, including budget and investments. Apply for grants and other funding.
Grounds Committee	Assess grounds-related priorities and oversee execution of projects. Includes parking and cemetery (sub-committees)
Hospitality and Stewardship Committee	Support internal social programs, hospitality, and encourage stewardship.
Music Committee	Oversee music-related programs, performances, and events.
Partnership and Outreach Committee	Engage with external community and partners; build new relationships.
Pastoral Committee	Cultivate supportive relationships and offer pastoral care to the parish.
Worship Committee	Facilitate planning and logistics for worship services. Includes Altar Guild (sub-committee).

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, May 3rd, 2026

Acts 7: 55-60
Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2: 2-10
John 14: 1-14

FLOWERS

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