

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 12, 2026
10:00 am Holy Eucharist



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

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn:

CP 442 Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

(tune: St. Petersburg)

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.

Priest: Dear friends in Christ,
Today's readings focus on the power of God's word for those who actually embrace it.
This theme begs several questions for us who have heard the word proclaimed many times over.
Does what we hear change our thinking or our actions in any way?
Is the problem with the proclaimer or the homilist, or is it really with us?
The promise is that God's word can make a difference in our lives ... if we are open to it.
As now reflect on these questions, we are invited to look within ourselves, examine ourselves and confess to God those times we may miss the mark.

Silence is kept.

Confession

All: **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Absolution

Priest: May the Father of all mercies
 cleanse us from our sins,
 and restore us in his image
 to the praise and glory of his name,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

A Peruvian Gloria

(Cantor): Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory in the Highest!
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory in the Highest!
(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: God of the earth,
all creation awaits your gift of new life.
Prepare our hearts to receive your Word
so that it may grow within us
and yield a hundredfold harvest;
through Jesus Christ, the Sower.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: GENESIS 25: 19-34

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 119: 105-112

Response: *Your word is a light upon my path.*

Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon my path.
I have sworn and am determined
to keep your righteous judgements. **(Response)**

I am deeply troubled;
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.
Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips,
and teach me your judgements. **(Response)**

My life is always in my hand, yet I do not forget your law.
The wicked have set a trap for me,
but I have not strayed from your commandments. **(Response)**

Your decrees are my inheritance forever;
truly, they are the joy of my heart.
I have applied my heart
to fulfil your statutes forever and to the end. **(Response)**

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8: 1-11

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

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: MATTHEW 13: 1-9, 18-23

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.

Gospel Hymn:

CP 447 Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness

(tune: Glaenwern)

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Please stand as you are able.

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

Leader: We declare our faith as we say:

**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

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 Province of the Episcopal Church
of South Sudan, and The Most Revd Justin Badi
Arama - Primate. **Locally we pray for** Anna, our
Bishop, and for the parish of St. Mary, Nanoose Bay,
and and their priest, the Rev. Kirsten Evenden. **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 abundance,
we give thanks for the gifts that sustain us –
for water and food,
for growth and renewal,
for the quiet work of Your Spirit in our lives.

We give thanks for signs of hope,
for unexpected beginnings,
for moments of change and possibility.

Receive our thanks,
and deepen our awareness
of Your presence among us.

O God, hear us,

All: Hear our prayer.

Tender and loving God,
you formed the earth
to be a place of joy and abundance
for all your creatures.
For food in all its variety
and the people who grow it, transport it and prepare it,
we give you thanks.

We pray for those who cannot afford enough food,
and for those whose agricultural supply
is at risk through extreme weather,
uncertain prices and social upheaval.
Help us care for the earth and its fruitfulness
and for each other in our common need of its fruits.

O God, hear us,

All: Hear our prayer.

God of all the nations,
you gather people together
in communities to care for each other
and enjoy each other's company and creativity.
Thank you for the support we find in our congregation,
and for the difference
volunteers make in our community.

Wherever there is division in the world,
bring unity and peace with justice;
where people dispute opinions,

give wisdom to see what is important;
where people are tired and anxious,
bring strength and courage.

All: O God, hear us,
Hear our prayer.

God of compassion,
you call us to be communities held together
by prayer and love for our neighbours.
Thank you for the ministry that has blessed us
through the concern others have shown us.

Where people mourn loss of any kind, provide comfort;
where there is illness and pain, bring healing;
where there is distress or discouragement,
transform fear into hope.

By your Spirit,
equip us to serve one another in Christ's name,
so that your compassion
touches lives with love and mercy.

All: O God, hear us,
Hear our prayer.

Loving God, we lay before you now
our personal concerns in this time of silence
and we pray for those who have asked for our prayers.
(*Prayer requests are shared....*)

All: O God, hear us,
Hear our prayer.

All: We offer you our prayers, spoken and unspoken,
in the name of Jesus Christ,
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 completely.

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 502 You Are Salt for the Earth

(tune: Bring Forth the Kingdom)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Father,
your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom.
Receive all we offer you this day,
and keep us in your peace;
for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord.

All: Amen.

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

Eucharistic Prayer

*[Source: Anglican Church of Canada - Eucharistic prayers, services
of the Word, and night prayer: supplementary to the Book of
alternative services; (EP S1) 2001.]*

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: Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us
and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah,
through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin
and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe
we proclaim your glory singing:

**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: Gracious God,
in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ
to share our fragile humanity.

Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection
you open the path from brokenness to health,
from fear to trust, from pride and conceit
to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world
that could not bear the Gospel of life,
Jesus knew death was near.
His head anointed for burial
by an unknown woman,
Jesus gathered together those who loved him.

He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it
and gave it to his friends,
saying, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
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.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table
in response to his commandment,
to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love,
and to proclaim our faith:

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

Priest: On the night before he gave up his life for us,
Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them,
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said,
“Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which is shed for you and for all people.
Do this in memory of me.”

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Priest: Breathe your Holy Spirit,
the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we bring to you:
this bread, this cup,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love for all the world
and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, Creator of all,
and we bless your holy name 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 65 Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread

(tune: St. Columba)

CP 74 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

(tune: Omni Die Dic Maria)

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

Priest: Living God,
in this sacrament we have shared
in your eternal kingdom.
May we who taste this mystery
forever serve you in faith, hope, and love.
We ask this 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: May the Creator God,
who has planted the seeds of all that is,
be with you.

May the Word that goes out
and does not return empty,
but brings growth in its own time and way,
be at work within you.

And may the Spirit,
who brings new life,
guide and sustain you.

And the blessing of God,
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,
be with you
now and always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 466 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord
(tune: Repton)

Sending Forth: Sent Out in Jesus' Name

(words: Eng. Trans. Jorge Maldonado)

(Sung by choir only, then repeated with the congregation)

(choir)

Sent out in Jesus' name, our hands are ready now
to make the world the place in which the kingdom comes.

(congregation and choir)

**Sent out in Jesus' name, our hands are ready now
to make the world the place in which the kingdom comes.**

(choir)

The angels cannot change a world of hurt and pain
into a world of love, of justice and of peace.
The task is ours to do, to set it really free.
O, help us to obey, and carry out your will.

(congregation and choir)

**The angels cannot change a world of hurt and pain
into a world of love, of justice and of peace.
The task is ours to do, to set it really free.
O, help us to obey, and carry out your will.**

Postlude

In the Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Rt. Rev. Rachael Parker, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Brandon (Anglican); **for** Bishop Trish Schmermund, the people and rostered ministers of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories (Lutheran); **and for** The Van-Es Camp and Conference Centre. (Moravian).

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

July 12th – July 19th

(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.

****Thank you to everyone who helped make our Amazing Journey Day Camp this week, Unlocking God's Promises, a great week!** We had 34 campers and 24 youth volunteers, as well as 11 adult volunteers who helped for all or part of the week. Thanks to all for your help and support for this important

youth ministry. Visit the **News page of St. Luke's website** to see pictures from this year's Amazing Journey Day Camp.

****Thank you to everyone who gave monetary donations and donations of food for the Day Camp.** These donations were greatly appreciated and helped to make the camp a success!

****Thank you for your open donations at our shared worship last Sunday with Church of the Cross.** The open donations totalling \$72 were given to the Shelbourne Community Kitchen.

***Church Office will be closed on Friday, July 17th** when Neil takes one of his vacation days. The Church Office will reopen at 9 am on Monday, July 20th.

***Heads Up – We will hold our next Cemetery Cleanup next Saturday, July 18th from 9 am to 11:30 am.** Many hands make light work!

***The next Silver and Sage 55+ Gathering will be on Thursday, July 23rd from 1:30 – 3:30 pm in church.** That session is entitled, "Naval Stories from Esquimalt". It will be presented by Lt. Gordon Emerslund.

Summer Choir Is Back! With no strings attached, come and join the choir on any and all Sunday mornings during the summer. Come as often as you like. We gather in the sanctuary each week at 9:15 to run hymns and service music for coming service. Join us! All voices are welcome.

****Thank you for your donations to Sunday Coffee Times –** To date since January 1st, **your donations to Sunday Coffee Time total \$1,214.40.** Your donations help to pay for the birthday cakes each month, the cookies we have each week, and help pay Rebecca and the youth for their time doing the setup and cleanup. We all love coffee time! So if you are able to put a donation in the donations jar at Coffee Time each week or

make a donation in your envelope in church, your help with the coffee time costs will be greatly appreciated! Donations of cookies, squares, and loaves are also very welcome.

****An Update regarding our Grand Piano Fundraising – The total of the fundraising for the piano from the three concerts along with donations to June 30th is now \$8,485.** Thank you so much for your donations and your support through attending the fundraising concerts. **Ticket Sales for Timeless Tunes, the third concert in this series on June 28th which featured soprano, Erika Pryer, brought in \$545.**

Name the Location Pictures for the Summer Prescription – The deadline for the Summer issue of St. Luke's Prescription is not until August 7th but we wanted to give you lots of time to collect some photos over the summer. Sharon McMillan and I (Barb Prescott) thought it would be fun to have a "Name the Location" page in the Summer Prescription. Pictures can be from spots in Victoria or Vancouver Island (including the Gulf Islands). So send in your favourite summer photos (and let us know where it is in the e-mail with the picture) now to **communications@stlukecedarhill.ca** and/or take some interesting photos of places you visit over the summer. We'll include the pictures on one page and an answer key and credits on another. We also welcome your stories, poems, and pictures on any topic or theme for the Summer Prescription.

Music Ministry Discernment Task Force

In each weekly bulletin during the months of July and August, we will include a short article about the Music Ministry Discernment process. Hopefully this will keep you up-to-date on the progress of the Task Force and the plans that are being made to find a new Music Director.

Who is the Task Force? The members of the Music Ministry Discernment Task Force are a varied cross-section of the parish: Claire White, People's Warden; Donna Dunning and Sharon McMillan, members of the choir/music ministry; Gillian Bloom and Shannon Stewart, members of the parish who are not specifically connected to the music ministry; Mary Byrne, Temporary Music Director; Daniel Fournier, Rector; and Alan Whitmore, facilitator/coordinator. If you are interested in joining this group, please speak to Claire White as soon as possible.

What is their Job? Throughout the months of July – September this group will create a “Information Collecting Document” (Questionnaire), which will be available for every member of the parish to fill out. This document will provide significant information for a new job description, which will be the prime advertising tool for the Search Committee. The Task Force will work with the Diocese, the parish, and the community at large to ascertain what is important in a Music Ministry – how can music at St. Luke's Church enrich the lives and worship for the parish and the community? If we were to dream “big”, what would we like the Music Ministry to be?

If you have any questions or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact anyone on the Task Force or Alan Whitmore at alanwhitmore611@gmail.com.

Committees at St. Luke's

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 Heather Stewart at strategy@stlukecedarhill.ca.

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 Committee	Support internal social programs, and hospitality.
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, July 19th, 2026

Genesis 28: 10-19a;
Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23
Romans 8: 12-25
Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

FLOWERS

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