

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 30, 2026
10:00 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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Welcome and Introduction (*The Rev. Daniel Fournier*)

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: CP 8 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun
(*tune: Morning Hymn*)

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: Today's readings are for those who may have assumed that responding to God's call would be easy. The prophets, Jesus, the early Christians — none were spared from negative consequences or pain in responding to the call. Is this a warning of what is to come if we follow Christ, or merely a tip-off that commitment always contains the unknown? However we view it, we can take comfort in knowing that we are in very good company. And we know that God is with us. As we enter today's celebration, let us call to mind our struggles in following the path of Christ and confess our sins.

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.

Absolution

Priest: Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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: O God,
whose word burns like a fire within us:
grant us a bold and faithful spirit,
so that, in your strength,
we may be unafraid to speak your word
and follow where you lead;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: EXODUS 3: 1-15

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45c

**Response: *The Lord has always been mindful
of his covenant.***

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him,
and speak of all his marvellous works.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. **(Response)**

Search for the Lord and his strength;
continually seek his face. **(Response)**

Remember the marvels he has done,
his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,
O offspring of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen. **(Response)**

Israel came into Egypt,
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.
The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful;
he made them stronger than their enemies;
Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people,
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
He sent Moses his servant, and Aaron whom he had chosen.
Hallelujah! **(Response)**

SECOND READING: ROMANS 12: 9-21

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 16: 21-28

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 179 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery - vs. 1 - 5
(tune: Thomas)

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem with congregational Participation:

Song: Let Us Build a House
(Words and Music: Marty Haugen)

Congregation and Choir sing last verse together:

**Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter;
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.**

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 The Church in the Province of the
West Indies, and the Most Revd Philip Wright -
Primate. **Locally we pray for** Anna, our Bishop, and
for Christ Church, Gabriola, and their wardens and
parishioners. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of the
Cross and Pastor Lyndon, **and for** the Diocese of
Kootenay and Bishop Lynne McNaughton.

O God in whom we live and move and have our being,
we come to you in prayer as the summer season
draws nearer to its close.

We give you thanks for the occasions
we have enjoyed this summer.
savouring the beauty of your creation
right outside our doors,
catching up with family and friends,
and enjoying times for recreation and restoration.

We recognize how blessed we are
with many opportunities to find rest and relaxation
in the summer.

Thank you for every good thing that has refreshed us.

Yet we remember those
for whom this summer has been difficult:
those whose homes and communities
have been ravaged by fire, storm or flood;
those who go hungry or face violence
in forgotten corners of our own community
and around the world;
Those who face economic struggles
at home or at work;
those whose crops have withered in heat or drought.

(reflective pause ...)

May each one find courage
to face tomorrow in your company.

Lord, in your compassion,
Hear our prayer.

O God, Jesus walked with so many people
in their pain and grief.
We remember those
who have faced crises this summer -
through tragic death or unexpected loss,
through critical illness or injury,
through pain or problems that seem to have no end....

(reflective pause ...)

Surround them with your comfort and compassion.

Lord, in your compassion,
Hear our prayer.

O God, Jesus often faced many demands
and pressure from his critics.
We pray for all those
who have not found rest this summer:
for leaders trying to figure out ways forward
for their communities when resources are tight;

for those whose jobs and responsibilities
present new challenges;
and for all who seek secure and affordable housing
when supply is low.

(reflective pause ...)

May they know your strength and assurance
day by day.

Lord, in your compassion,
Hear our prayer.

O God, we need the embrace of your presence,
each in our own way.
Bring healing and peace to our lives
and to this world you love.
Open our eyes and our hearts
so that we may offer healing and peace
to those we encounter.

(reflective pause ...)

We pray for those who have asked us to pray for them.

(Names added here....)

Lord, in your compassion,
Hear our prayer.

All: All these prayers we offer through Christ Jesus.
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 450 You Call Us, Lord, to Be
(tune: Rhosymedre)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Merciful God,
receive all we offer you this day.
Give us grace to love one another
that your love may be made perfect in us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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

Eucharistic Prayer

*[Source: Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 1 - Eucharistic Prayers,
Services of the Word, and Night Prayer Supplementary to The Book
of Alternative Services. 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 saying (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: 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: Amen, amen, amen, 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 61 As We Gather at Your Table

(Ecce, Deus)

CP 73 One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All

(tune: One Bread, One Body)

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

Priest: Almighty God,
you renew us at your table with the bread of life.
May your holy food strengthen us in love
and help us to serve you in each other.
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: Go now and follow Jesus in the way of the cross.
Rejoice in hope,
hold fast to what is good,
persevere in prayer.
Do not be overcome by evil,
but overcome evil with good.
As far as is possible, live peaceably with all.

And may God hear your cries and deliver you;
May Christ Jesus repay you with fullness of life;
And may the Holy Spirit be with you always
.nourishing you in love and hope.

All: Amen.

Sending Forth: Sent Out in Jesus' Name

(words: Eng. Trans. Jorge Maldonado)

(Sung by whole congregation)

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

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

**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.

Closing Hymn:

CP 431 Take Up Your Cross, the Saviour Said

(tune: Breslau)

Postlude

In the Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Rt. Rev. Chad McCharles, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon (Anglican); **for** Bishop Kathy Martin, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod (Lutheran); **and for** the administration and staff of the Board of Elders Canadian District and the Northern Province (Moravian).

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS

August 30th – September 6th

(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.

***The Music Ministry Discernment Committee has been tasked with updating the requirements of the Music Director position**, which has not been reimagined in nearly 25

years. Discerning the needs and desires of the parish regarding the Music Ministry is key to this work. We must also determine how best to attract a qualified, working professional to the position. **Please help us by completing the Music Ministry Discernment Survey**, available as a printed copy (available at the back of the church and from the church office). The survey can also be downloaded from St. Luke's News page (www.stlukesvictoria.ca/news) and there is a link to a fillable Google doc at the website news page. Please return completed surveys to St. Luke's Church Office or to the basket at the back of the church. Completed online versions can be e-mailed to admin@stlukecedarhill.ca. **Thank you to everyone who has already completed a survey. The deadline for completing your survey is tomorrow August 31st.**

****Thank you for your open donations at our shared worship last Sunday at Church of the Cross.** The open donations totalling \$396.25 were given to the Shelbourne Community Kitchen.

It's Time to Order Church Calendars for 2027 – Please phone (250-477-6741) or email the parish office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) to reserve your copy (or copies) of the 2027 church calendar. **This year we will only be ordering the Canadian Church calendar.** The Anglican Church calendar has become a lot more expensive than the Canadian Church calendar and we were subsidizing its cost by charging more for the Canadian Church calendar. By only ordering one type of calendar, we can offer it at \$8 each. Please pay for your calendar when you pick it up. **The deadline to place your calendar order is Friday, September 11th.**

****The next Silver and Sage 55+ Gathering will be on Thursday, September 10th from 1:30 – 3:30 pm in church.** Topic for that session will be “Fall Prevention Starts with YOU”, presented by Susanne Reul-Zastre, an older adult fitness specialist who holds a Canadian Fall Prevention Curriculum Certificate from UVic.

****Visit to the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Garden –**

After the 10 am service on Sunday, September 13th, we are invited to visit the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Garden behind South Island Centre, the "Cedar Hill Garden" as the Kitchen calls this garden. We will have our coffee time there and enjoy a tour of the garden.

Save the Date for an Attic Treasures Vintage Market on Saturday, September 19th, in St. Luke's Community Hall.

Come and have some fun at a multi-vendor vintage market. Admission: Early Birds - 9 am - 10 am - \$10; Regular - 10 am - 4 pm - \$3. Vintage, Antiques, Retro and Collectibles including Clothing, Jewelry, Housewares and more... **If you are able to help that day, please contact Carol Turnham.**

****The Choir Is Welcoming New Members!** We meet

Thursday evenings 7:00-8:30 in the Sanctuary and Sunday mornings from 9:15 through the service. All voices welcome. No music reading experience is necessary. Chat with Mary Byrne on a Sunday morning or at music@stlukecedarhill.ca to reserve your spot.

Greeters/sidespeople needed for the 10 am service –

Several people are needed to help with greeting and sidespersons' duties one Sunday a month. If you are able to help in this way, please speak to Tara Poilievre or to one of the wardens.

****Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards –** Thank you for using your Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards.

Earlier this month, we received a payment of \$341.50, bringing our total to date to \$5,372.15, since we started taking part in this program in 2021. Please continue to use your reloadable Fairway Market Community Shopping Card so that St. Luke's can receive 5% from Fairway Market for every dollar loaded on the card. For more information, please visit **the Fundraising page of St. Luke's website.**

****Thank You for Collecting your Country Grocer Receipts –**

We have now completed another set of receipts, totalling \$9,000, and have received another \$90 in gift cards, **bringing**

our total to date to \$1,260 in gift cards (since we started with this program in 2023), which have been sold to parishioners. Please continue to collect your Country Grocer receipts and turn them in to Neil in the Church Office, put them in an envelope in the mail slot, or in the Country Grocer box in the narthex. For more information, please visit **the Fundraising page of St. Luke's website**.

Back to School Stock Up for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen

As the new school year approaches, the Shelbourne Community Kitchen is launching its **Back-to-School Stock Up campaign, with a goal to raise \$12K for Kids in K-12. The campaign runs from August 17th to September 7th.** For families already carefully balancing rent, groceries, transportation and other rising costs, the return to school can bring a wave of added expenses. Let's work together to help ensure local children have the food and resources they need to start the school year ready to learn, grow and thrive. There are many ways to support the campaign:

- **Bring non-perishable food donations** to help fill our Shelbourne Community Kitchen baskets at St. Luke's. **Most needed items are juice boxes, granola bars, fruit cups, canned tuna and fish, canned plain beans, canned tomatoes, and toilet paper.**
- **Back-to-School Benny Feature** – From August 17th-September 7th, visit The Village Restaurant at 4087 Shelbourne Street. \$2 from the featured Eggs Benny item will support the campaign.
- **Donate online.** See link at the News page of St. Luke's website (<https://www.stlukesvictoria.ca/news/back-to-school-stock-up>).

Every contribution helps put healthy food, school supplies and support within reach for local kids.

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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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, September 6th, 2026

Exodus 12: 1-14

Psalm 149

Romans 13: 8-14

Matthew 18: 15-20

FLOWERS

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of brother George E.A. Richards
(Canon Emeritus) who was laid to rest 18th August 2026
from Genevieve Richards.

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