

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 27, 2020



Parable of the Two Sons (Andreï Nikolaevich)

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Prelude

Welcome, Absolution and Confession
(The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Priest: Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Loving God, we have come to worship you.
Help us to pray to you in faith,
to voice your praise with gratitude in our hearts,
and to listen to your word with eagerness;
through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Invitation to Confession

Priest : From the beginning of the month of September
through till October 4th,
the church recognizes and celebrates
what is referred to as "The Season of Creation."
As we call to mind our own call to stewardship
of all that God has created,
we confess our sin, and the sins of our society,
in the misuse of God's creation.

Prayer Of Confession

**All: Holy God, Creator and Lover of all that is,
we confess to you that we have sinned.
We have failed in our care
for the land and its creatures,
we have been greedy, destructive,
and wasteful of the resources
you entrusted to us.
Polluted air and water,
eroded soil and salty earth,
birds and animals deprived of habitat,
and neighbours left hungry and thirsty**

by our selfishness:
all these cry out against us.
We do not know how to restore
what we have damaged,
and we repent in sorrow and distress.
Forgive us, we pray, and have mercy.
Give us grace to change our ways,
to make amends,
and to work together
for the healing of the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Absolution:

Priest: Our Saviour died and rose again
so that for all who live in him
there is a new creation.
Therefore I declare to you:
your sins are forgiven,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

**All: Send out your Spirit, O Lord.
Renew the hearts of your people.
Renew the face of the earth.**

Collect of the Day

Priest : The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: God of our salvation,
we falter before the demands of your word
and turn away from your call to life.
As you showed mercy to your people of old,
pour out your mercy on us,
so that we may turn from our sinfulness
and walk the path of self-emptying love
made known in Jesus Christ,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-32

Reader: *Harold Turnham*

Reader: A reading from the book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

Click here for the reading:

https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=161#hebrew_oth_reading

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25: 1-9

Response: **Remember, Lord, your compassion and love.**

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies triumph over me.
Let none who look to you be put to shame,
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.

(Response)

Make me to know your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you have I hoped all the day long.

(Response)

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions,
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,
according to your steadfast love.
(Response)

Gracious and upright is the Lord;
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
He will guide the humble in doing right
and teach his way to the lowly.
All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
(Response)

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 21: 23-32

Reader: *Harold Turnham*

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The gospel of Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Click here for the gospel reading:

[https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=161
#gospel_reading](https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=161#gospel_reading)

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Solo: *Shelter Me, O God* by Bob Hurd
(Guitar and voice - Daniel Fournier)

Priest: Let us confess our faith as we find it written
in the New Zealand Prayer Book.
We say together:

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.

The Prayers: Tara Poillievre

*In response to the words, "Gracious God",
the community prays, "**Hear our prayer**".*

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: In the words that our Saviour taught us,
let us 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.
And 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 forever. 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.**

Benediction:

Priest:

Lord God,
we rejoice in your greatness and power,
your gentleness and love,
your mercy and justice.
Enable us by your Spirit
to honour you in our thoughts,
and words and actions,
and to serve you in every aspect of our lives;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All:

Amen.

Dismissal

Priest:

Go, respecting and serving
all that God has created,

All:

**For God created all and saw that it was good.
Amen.**

Postlude

Thank you to the Worship Team Members for this Sunday

Service: Presider: Daniel Fournier; Intercessions: Tara Poilievre; Reader: Harold Turnham; Musicians: Susanne Reul-Zastre and Daniel Fournier; Videographer: Sharon McMillan; Service Planning: Daniel Fournier; Online Video Production and Posting at Facebook: Daniel Fournier; Service Outline: Daniel Fournier; Proofreading and Posting at the Website: Barb Prescott; Beginning and Ending Slides: Sharon McMillan.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – September 28 – October 4
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

***Next Sunday, October 4th, we will hold our first Eucharist Service since the church was closed in March. Please note that the starting time will be 10 am.** Visit the **Events page of St. Luke's website** for the link to register at Eventbrite. 40 spaces will be available. **Please see the list of Safety Protocols also linked from the Events page of the website.** Registration will open at noon on Sunday, September 27th and will end at noon on Friday, October 2nd. You can also register by calling (250-477-6741) or e-mailing the office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca). The service will be recorded and posted later that day as well.

***Next Sunday, October 4th, we will hold a Blessing of the Animals Service outside at 2:30 pm** (weather permitting). In case of inclement weather, we will be in the hall. Visit the **Events page of St. Luke's website** for the link to register at Eventbrite. You can also register by calling (250-477-6741) or e-mailing the office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca).

***Sunday Coffee Time via Zoom** – Join us today after church at 11 am for Coffee Time in your home via Zoom. To take part, use the link which is sent out during the week and on Sunday morning. If you have questions, please e-mail Barb Prescott (communications@stlukecedarhill.ca). Hope to see you there.

****Coffee Time via Zoom is Moving to Wednesday morning**
– Join us on **Wednesday, October 7th at 10:30 am for Coffee Time** in your home via Zoom. To take part, use the link which will be sent out several days ahead and on Wednesday morning.

Order Your Anniversary T-Shirt Now – Exciting news! Heather Simpson is taking orders for our anniversary t-shirts with the wonderful, colourful design chosen through the T-Shirt Design Contest earlier this year. The t-shirt will be available in sizes S-3XL. The cost will be \$20 each. The t-shirt is white. Because the design is so colourful, the committee felt that it will look best on white. To order a t-shirt, please call (250-477-6741) or e-mail (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) St. Luke's Office and Bonnie will pass your message on to Heather. See the design and more information at **the News page of St. Luke's website**.

****An Invitation from St. Luke's Players to Firehoses and Family** – An online production to watch at home via Zoom, on Saturday, October 17th starting at 7:30 pm. Join in for some laughs and tears, joy and fears. Tickets are \$5 through Eventbrite. More information is at **the Events page of St. Luke's website**.

Retirement Event For Bishop Logan – Join the Diocese of Islands and Inlets on October 23 at 7:00 pm for a special video event in celebration of Bishop Logan McMenamie's ministry. With +Logan as our special live guest, we'll take everyone on a journey that will include photos, music, special messages from all over the diocese, and live-streamed presentations. The event will be viewable on the diocesan website, Vimeo, and Facebook Live, simultaneously. All you need to do is find a comfortable viewing location, pour yourself a beverage, and click the link at 7:00 pm on October 23. The link to the event will be distributed the week of and more information can be found at this link: <https://bc.anglican.ca/events/farewell-for-bishop-logan-mcmenamie/2020-10-23>.

***Donations to the Bishop's Purse** – As is customary in the Anglican church when celebrating the retirement of a bishop, the diocese is collecting “a purse” to express our gratitude to Bishop Logan for his years of dedicated ministry. Due to restrictions by the Canada Revenue Agency, all contributions must be made DIRECTLY to Bishop Logan and cannot be received or transferred through the diocese or our parish. **If you would like to write a cheque, please make the cheque payable to Logan McMenamie (not to St. Luke's or the Diocese).** You can also contribute cash. We will collect the cash donations and prepare a bank draft for those donations. Contributions can be put into the collection plate or dropped off at the office. Make sure to note that your contribution is for the Bishop's Purse. **Please make your contributions by Sunday, October 11th. Contributing to the Bishop's Purse is considered a personal gift to Bishop Logan. You will NOT be issued a charitable receipt for your contribution.**

The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is looking for a Development Officer to join their amazing team. The purpose of this new position is to increase total annual revenue and capital funds of the Shelbourne Community Kitchen with a focus on organizational growth, funding an upcoming move, and long-term sustainability with an understanding of the effects of COVID-19. They are seeking a part-time energetic, self-motivated team player who thrives on accomplishing goals, getting results and improving the organization's bottom line. If you are as adept at making financial decisions as you are at communicating with others, you are invited to submit an application to join the team. Download the job description details from **the News page of St. Luke's website.**

Gardening Help Needed – Gordon Dawson has retired from his work caring for the Memorial Garden. Thank you, Gordon, for your three years of work on this garden! Your work is greatly appreciated. Is there someone else could take on looking after this area? If so, please contact Barb Prescott through the Church Office or by e-mail (communications@shelbourne.org)

stlukecedarhill.ca). Gordon would be happy to meet with the new gardener to “show you the ropes.”

The Diocesan Post will not be sent by mail this fall. The September issue is available to read online at the link sent to you by e-mail. **If you would like a paper copy of the Diocesan Post, some are available in the church and in the church office.** If you are not able to pick up a copy, please call the Parish Office and we will mail a copy to you.

This Sunday's service will be posted online at St. Luke's Facebook page and St. Luke's website. Please join us on your electronic device (computer, phone, iPad, etc.) to watch the service. The service will be posted at the St Luke's website (www.stluke victoria.ca) and Facebook page (www.facebook.com/StLukeCedarHill) later on Sunday. You don't have to be a Facebook member to access this link.

Thank You for your Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church by writing a cheque, making a donation online through Canada Helps, and by signing up for ECP. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please refer to the **DONATE page** at the website for more information.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, The Most Rev. Ezekiel Kumir Kondo, Archbishop of the Province of Sudan and Bishop of Khartoum. **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray** for the Very Rev. Ansley Tucker, the Diocesan Administrator; and for St. Michael & All Angels, Royal Oak, their priest, Dawna Wall. **We also pray** for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon; and for the Diocese of Kootenay and Bishop Lynne McNaughton.

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We hope you will visit again!

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WEEKLY ONLINE LITURGICAL SERVICE:

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 4, 2020

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Psalm 80: 7-15

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Matthew 21: 33-46
