Welcome to

St. Luke Cedar Hill

The First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021

A Service of the Word

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Prelude: *Air, Minuet and Gigue by G.F. Handel*

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

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Priest: God of revelation,
unveil your Kingdom in our midst.
Show us who we truly are in you:
expose the illusions that distort our vision,
deliver us from temptations that contort our living,
open our eyes in this time of trial –
that resistance may be the secret of our joy
and our joy a sign of your shalom.

All: **Amen**

Confession and Absolution:

Priest: The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,
and acknowledge our transgressions
in penitence and faith.

All: **Lord God,**
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Priest: May the Father of all mercy
cleanse you from your sin,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: **Amen.**

Hymn: Forty Days and Forty Nights (CP 175)

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Priest: God of the wilderness,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these forty days
to grow in wisdom and prayer,
so that we may witness to your saving love.
We pray through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
All: **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Genesis 9: 8-17
Reader: *Kathleen Patterson*

Reader: A reading from the Book of Genesis

Click here for the reading:
https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-02-21

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25

Response:

"To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul, To You I Lift my Soul"

(M. Haugen, Psalms for the Church Year - Vol. 1)

THE GOSPEL: Mark 1: 9-15

Reader: *Genevieve Richards*

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily: The Rev. Joan Scandrett

The Apostle's Creed

Priest: Let us confess our faith 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.

The Prayers: *(Led by the Ray Lett)*
In response to the words,"Lord, in the austerity of Lent sharpen our awareness of your love",
the community prays, ***"In your mercy, hear our prayer."***

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: Now we pray in the words that our Saviour taught us:

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 sin
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: Whatever wilderness the Spirit has brought you to:
walk in boldness, as a beloved child of God
walk in peace, under the shelter of the Most High
walk in faith, knowing Christ walks with you.
And the blessing of the fullness of God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
will be with you today and ever more.

All: **Amen.**

Hymn: Jesus, Lover of My Soul (CP 533)

Dismissal

Priest: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
We go now in peace to love and serve the Lord,

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Postlude: *Dorian Toccata by J.S. Bach*

Thank you to the Worship Team Members for this Sunday Service: Presider: Daniel Fournier; Preacher: Joan Scandrett; Readers: Kathleen Patterson and Genevieve Richards; Intercessions: Ray Lett; Musicians: Susanne Reul-Zastre, Daniel Fournier, Joan Scandrett, Sharon McMillan, and Olivia Craster; Videographer: Joan Scandrett; Service Planning, Service Outline, Online Video Production, and Posting at Vimeo: Daniel Fournier; Proofreading, Posting Bulletin and Service Link at the Website: Barb Prescott; Hymn Slides, Beginning and Ending Slides: Sharon McMillan.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – February 22 - 28
(**New Items, *Revised Items)

***Our Annual Vestry Meeting** will be held this Sunday, February 21st at 1 pm. See more information at **the News page of St. Luke's website**.

***Our buildings continue to be closed so this Sunday's and next Sunday's services will be recorded and posted online.** The link will be posted at St. Luke's website (www.stlukes victoria.ca) and will be sent by e-mail on Sunday morning. Please join us on your electronic device (computer, phone, iPad, etc.) to watch the service. We hope to start live-streaming the services in March so watch for information to come about that.

***Coffee Time via Zoom will not be happening this Sunday because the Annual Vestry meeting will start at 1:00 pm.** Watch for the link for coffee time for Sunday, February 28th and join us in your home via Zoom. The link will be sent out by e-mail. If you have questions, please e-mail Barb Prescott (communications@stlukecedar hill.ca). Hope to see you there.

The Annual Meeting Reports Package is now available. A link to the package has been sent out. Please contact the parish office if you would like a print copy. If you would like to receive the link, please contact Barb (communications@ stlukecedarhill.ca) and she will send it to you.

****Lenten Study and Discussion Time** will be held Thursday mornings at 10:30 am, starting on February 25th. Watch Bishop Anna's Renew Lenten Video each Wednesday, then join us for a discussion time on Thursday morning. A link to each week's video will be posted at **the News page of St. Luke's website**. on Wednesday morning. A Zoom Link will be sent out on Thursday morning. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.** If you have questions, please e-mail Barb Prescott (communications@stlukecedar hill.ca). Hope to see you there.

****Information about the COVID Vaccination Schedule** is posted at **the News page of St. Luke's website**. Please note that the scheduling of groups for vaccinations may change based on vaccine availability and transmission rates.

Thrifty Foods Smile Cards – Thank you to everyone who has been using their Smile Cards. **We have received a payment**

of $194.76 this month, bringing our total to date to $1,381.59, which is almost half way to our project goal of $2,800.00. This year the money will go towards repairing some of our rock walls. If you don't yet have a Smile Card, please call the office and we will arrange to get one to you.

***Volunteer Librarian Needed** – We were very fortunate to hire Sarah Stephens on an 8-week contract through a Canada Summer Jobs grant. She organized and catalogued the books in St. Luke's Library in the Lounge. She added around 250 books to the 560 which were already in the library! Her position has now finished and we are looking for someone who could take on coming in a couple of hours a month to reshelve books, input books to be catalogued, and help to promote St. Luke's Library. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Barb Prescott through the Church Office or by e-mail (communications@stlukecedarhill.ca).

Donations for Flowers Would be Appreciated – Altar Guild members are now arranging small floral bouquets for the recorded services. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of flowers, your donation would be most appreciated. Donations can be made in memory of a loved one, in celebration of a special event, or simply as a thanks offering. Donations can be mailed or handed into the office. If you would like a tax donation receipt for your donation, please use one of your donation envelopes, and mark "flowers " or Altar Guild on it. Please make cheques payable to St. Luke's. For more information, please contact Ann Séguin via the Parish Office.

Food Donations for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen – The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is again accepting non-perishable food donations from individuals and organizations. Donations from individuals will be accepted at the Kitchen (3541 Shelbourne St.) on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 am-2 pm. We will also have a basket for donations to the Shelbourne Community Kitchen in the hall so that your donation can be left there. A list of items needed is included at the **News page of St. Luke's website**. **Monetary support is also greatly appreciated.** To make a tax receiptable donation,

please note on your cheque payable to St. Luke's or your envelope that your donation is for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen.

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 Church of the Province of Central Africa, The Most Reverend Albert Chama, Primate**. In the Canadian ACC/ ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** The Most Rev. David Edwards, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Fredericton (ACC), and the dean, council, and congregations of the Grand River and Thames Areas of the Eastern Synod (ELCIC). **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** Anna, our bishop, and for the community of St. George at Kingcome Inlet, Wakeman, Hopetown, and Gilford Island. **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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to access this link.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY February 28, 2021

Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16
Psalm 22: 22-30
Romans 4: 13-25
Mark 8: 31-38

FLOWERS

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