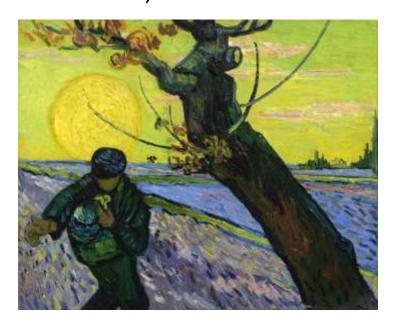
Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

3rd Sunday after Pentecost (Ordinary 11) June 13, 2021 - 10:00 am



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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the Esquimalt, Songhees and WSÁNEĆ people, traditional custodians of these lands.

Welcome and Introduction (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Priest: For those of us struggling to make our way

toward the fullness of the reign of God,

perspective is everything.

Stories from the past,

and faith and hope in the future,

help us to live in the present.

It has always been this way for God's people.

Like them, "we walk by faith, and not by sight." Though we cannot see the future. it is enough

and we are hopeful.

In this hope and faith, we continue

to plant our seeds, make our plans,

and move forward toward the harvest.

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace

from God our creator

and our Lord Jesus Christ

be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: This is the day that God has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Confession and Absolution

Priest: Let us confess our sins

against God and our neighbour.

All: God our Father,

long-suffering, full of grace and truth,

you create us from nothing and give us life.

You give your faithful people new life

in the water of baptism.

You do not turn your face from us,

nor cast us aside.

We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbour. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. Restore us for the sake of your Son, and bring us to heavenly joy, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: The almighty and merciful Lord

grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins,

time for amendment of life,

and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Holy God,

to you belong the mysteries of the universe.

You transform shepherds into kings,

the smallest seeds into magnificent trees, and hardened hearts into loving one.

May your life-giving Spirit re-create us in your image

and shape us into your purposes,

through Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Opening Hymn: CP 631 The Kingdom of God

(tune: Paderborn)

The kingdom of God is justice and joy, for Jesus restores what sin would destroy. God's power and glory in Jesus we know, and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace; the captives are freed, the sinners find place. The outcasts are welcomed God's banquet to share, and hope is awakened in place of despair.

The kingdom of God is challenge and choice: believe the good news, repent and rejoice! His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross, our crisis of judgement for gain and for loss.

God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal, in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.

The heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call, And all things cry "Glory!" to God All-in-All.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 15: 34–16: 13
Reader: Stephen Ruttan

Reader: A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

The reading can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-06-13

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 20

Response:

We will call on the name of the Lord our God.

May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend you; Send you help from his sanctuary and strengthen you out of Zion; (Response)

Remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice; Grant you your heart's desire and fulfil all your mind. (Response) May we rejoice in your salvation and triumph in the name of our God; may the Lord perform all your petitions. (Response)

Now I know that the Lord will save his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven, with the mighty strength of his right hand. (Response)

Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, but we will call only on the name of the Lord our God. They are brought down and fallen, but we are risen and stand upright.

O Lord, save the king and answer us when we call upon you. (Response)

Gradual Hymn: CP 502 You are Salt for the Earth (tune: Bring Forth the Kingdom)

You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the kingdom of God!

Share the flavour of life, O people: life in the kingdom of God!

Refrain: Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace; bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people:
light for the city of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people:
shine for the kingdom of God! Refrain

You are a seed of the Word, O people: bring forth the kingdom of God! Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice, grow in the kingdom of God! *Refrain*

We are a blest and a pilgrim people bound for the kingdom of God! Love our journey and love our homeland: love is the kingdom of God! Refrain

THE GOSPEL: Mark 4: 26-34
Reader: Stephen Ruttan

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-06-13

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Organ Solo: Prelude in A-Major by Carl Czerny

Susanne Reul-Zastre

A Liturgical Affirmation (A New Zealand Prayer Book)

Priest: Let us declare our faith in God in this simple statement

of faith from the Church of England's Common

Worship.

All: We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen.

Prayers of Intercession: Led by the Rev. Joan Scandrett In response to the words,

"Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom", the community prays, "Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity."

Gracious God, you hold all things in your hands. We may plant seeds, but it is your mysterious power that brings forth the plant.
We do our small parts, but you bring growth and new life.
Thank you for our place in your purposes.
Guide our plans for ministry in the time ahead as we discern when and how to open church buildings again.
(Holy pause)

Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.

All: Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.

We pray for our country; for the pain of the Muslim community in London, Ontario; and for the well being of all Muslim people across Canada for the pain of the Indigenous peoples; for healing and reconciliation so that all may live in peace, safety, and have fullness of life. (Holy pause)

Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.

All: Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.

We pray for our community and province as we rebuild common life and recover from the pandemic. We pray for those seeking work or rebuilding businesses, for those exhausted by months of service, and those still suffering the effects of COVID-19. (Holy pause)

Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.

All: Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.

We pray for those who feel empty or lonely, who fear the future or mourn the past.
We pray for those who suffer pain or grief, those who are recovering from surgery, those who are undergoing medical treatments or procedures, all in hospital who are isolated from family and loved ones...
In a time of silence we open to God prayers for those we love (Holy pause)

Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.

All: Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.

We pray for ourselves and one another; for our parish of St. Luke, and all in leadership here.

Strengthen day-by-day our local ministry and mission and help us learn new ways to reach out to the needs in our community. (Holy pause)

Come in your wisdom and plant seeds of your kingdom.

All: Watch over tender new life unfolding and bring it to maturity.

Gracious God, you hold all things in your heart, including us.

Keep us open to your Spirit's leading. In all that we do, help us embody the love of our Saviour, Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

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.
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.

The Conclusion and Blessing

Priest Go into the world with assurance, hope and promise: the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ rest upon you – and even unsettle you; the love of God, creator and giver of life, embrace you – and even confront you; and the presence of the Holy Spirit encourage you – and surprise you, this day and all your days.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 478 Almighty God, Thy Word Is Cast (tune: Albano)

Almighty God, thy word is cast like seed into the ground: now let the dew of heaven descend, and righteous fruits abound.

Let not the foe of righteousness this holy seed remove: but give it root in every heart to bring forth fruits of love.

Let not the world's deceitful cares the rising plant destroy: but let it yield a hundredfold the fruits of peace and joy.

Oft as the precious seed is sown, thy quickening grace bestow: that all whose souls the truth receive its saving power may know. Priest: We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

All: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Thank you to all who helped with this service: Presider: Rev. Daniel Fournier; Reader: Stephen Ruttan; Intercessions: Rev. Joan Scandrett; Musicians: Olivia Craster, Daniel Fournier, Susanne Reul-Zastre, Matthew Robertson, Maria Ross, and Joan Scandrett; Videographers: Sharon McMillan, Emma Robertson, and Sam Ferraby; Service Planning and Service Outline: Daniel Fournier; Proofreading, Posting Bulletin and Livestream Link at the Website: Barb Prescott; Posting the Link at Facebook: Sharon McMillan; Printing Readings and Bulletins: Bonnie Watkins.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – June 13th – 20th (**New Items, *Revised Items)

*The service today (June 13th) and the Sundays going forward will be livestreamed from the church — Join the livestream link (<u>www.stlukesvictoria.ca/live</u>) to listen to the prelude starting at 10:00 am. The services will also be recorded to watch later.

Coffee Time via Zoom will start at 11:15 am after the livestreamed service. Watch for the link, which will be sent out by e-mail and join us in your home via Zoom. Hope to see you there.

*Sound System Upgrade Appeal – Please read a letter from Daniel at the News page of St. Luke's website regarding an appeal for donations towards a very necessary upgrade to our sound system as livestreaming continues to be an important aspect of our ministry. Thank you to those who have made donations through your envelopes or through Canada Helps. Donations as of June 10th total \$1,810, 46% of the way to our goal of \$3,900.

*Heads Up re a Cemetery Cleanup Morning – NEXT SATURDAY, June 19th from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Please drop by any time that morning. The buildings are closed so please bring your own drinking water, gloves, and tools. Jobs to be done include weeding and pulling out the speargrass which is mixed in with the California poppies. Come to spend some time outside physically distancing and help clean up the cemetery. Hope to see you then.

*Deadline for submissions for the Summer issue of The Prescription is FRIDAY, June 18th. Please send along your articles, photos, poems, and other creative endeavours, either to St. Luke's Church Office at admin@stlukecedarhill.ca or to prescription@stlukecedarhill.ca.

**PWRDF Parish Information Session – June 30th, noon to 1 pm via Zoom. Anyone who is interested is invited to join this online event to learn more about PWRDF (Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) to help build up this important ministry in the life of our diocese. For more information or to register, visit the Events page of St. Luke's website.

*Country Grocer Save A Tape Program Update – Please continue to collect your Country Grocer receipts and turn them in to Bonnie at the Church Office, mail them to the Church Office, or put them in an envelope in the mail slot. As of June 10th, we now have \$3,278.32 in grocery receipts, which is two thirds of the way towards our goal of collecting \$5,000 in receipts to receive a \$50.00 gift certificate. Well done, everyone! Please keep dropping off your receipts. See more information at the News page of St. Luke's website.

Registration is Now Open for This Year's Amazing Journey Day Camp, which will be held this year August 9th to August 13th. This small group program will be held from 9 am to noon outdoors at St. George's, Cadboro Bay. The program is for children who have completed Grades 1 to 5. Register by June 30th to receive Early Bird registration discount on the fees. The registration form is available at the News page of St. Luke's website.

- *Please "Load Up" your Thrifty Foods Smile Card before June 15th, so that we can reach our fundraising goal before the program ends. For more information about using your Smile Card, visit the Thrifty Foods Smile Card Fundraising page at St. Luke's website.
- **Seeking Housing St Barnabas Church, at Begbie and Belmont, is preparing to welcome an interim priest-in-charge while their rector and his wife are on sabbatical. Bishop James Cowan, formerly of this diocese, his wife Annette, and Rory (a small, clean 13-year-old dog) are looking for a furnished, preferably two-bedroom apartment to rent from September or October to June. They would also be happy with a long-term house-sitting option. Please contact Kieran Wilson (admin@stbarnabaschurch.ca) or Heidi Teel (heidi.w.teel@gmail.com) with any information or ideas.
- *2021 Plant Stand Fundraiser for the Shelbourne
 Community Kitchen An informal Plant Stand is set up at the
 end of the driveway at 3597 Thistle St. through to July 1st.
 Visit the plant stand to buy some plants for this year or to drop
 off some extras. To date, \$4,000 has been raised for the
 Shelbourne Community Kitchen. See more information at the
 Events page of St. Luke's website.
- St. Luke's Anniversary T-shirts are available to purchase at the church office. The t-shirts, with the wonderful, colourful design chosen through the T-Shirt Design Contest, are available in sizes S-3XL at a cost of \$20 each. As well as celebrating St. Luke's Anniversary, these t-shirts are a fundraiser for St. Luke's. See more information at the News page of St. Luke's website.

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 Nigeria - Henry Ndukuba, Primate. In the Canadian ACC/ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land (ACC), and Lutheran and Anglican global partners and companions (ELCIC). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish of St. Barnabas, Victoria, and their priest, Travis O'Brian. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and the Diocese of New Westminster and Bishop John Stephens.



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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY June 20, 2021

1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49 Psalm 9: 9-20 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13

Mark 4: 35-41

FLOWERS

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