

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

25th Sunday after Pentecost (*Ordinary 33*)

November 14, 2021 - 10:00 am

Service of the Word



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*We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories
of the Esquimalt, Songhees and WSÁNEĆ people,
the traditional custodians of these lands.
We are grateful for their hospitality.*

Prelude (please be seated)

Welcome and Introduction (*Worship Leader: Tara Poillievre*)

Please stand as you are able.

Leader: This Sunday is the second to last Sunday
of our liturgical year.

As we approach the end of the Church year,
our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions
and teaching about the end of the world.

In the context of Mark's Gospel,
Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples
as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples,
nor should they frighten us.

Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes
we will experience during our lifetimes
and at the end times.

Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature
of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.

Leader: Grace, mercy and peace
from God our creator
and our Lord Jesus Christ
be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: This is the day that God has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Confession and Absolution

Leader: Compassion and forgiveness belong
to the Lord our God,
though we have rebelled against him.
Let us then renounce our wilfulness
and seek his mercy by confessing
our sins in penitence and faith.

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.

Leader: May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour
forgive us our sins
and make us holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Opening Hymn: CP 564 Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us
(tune: Mannheim)

The Collect of the Day

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Holy God,
you create all moments of our lives,
giving each its meaning and its purpose.
Strengthen us to witness continually
to the love of Jesus Christ,
so that we may hold fast in times of trial,
even to the end of the ages.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: 1 Samuel 1: 4-20

Reader: *Kathleen Patterson*

Reader: A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

The reading can be found here:

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-11-14>

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

1 Samuel 2: 1-10 as Canticle

*Response: "My heart exults in the Lord;
I rejoice in your salvation."*

My heart exults in the Lord,
my strength is exalted in my God.
My mouth derides my enemies,
because I rejoice in your salvation.
There is no Holy One like you,
O Lord, nor any Rock like you, our God.
For you are a God of knowledge
and by you our actions are weighed. (*Response*)

The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the feeble gird on strength.
Those who were full now search bread,
but those who were hungry are well fed.
The barren woman has borne sevenfold,
but she who has many children is forlorn.
Both the poor and the rich are of your making,
you bring low and you also exalt. (*Response*)

You raise up the poor from the dust,
and lift the needy from the ash heap.

You make them sit with the rulers,
and inherit a place of honour.
For the pillars of the earth are yours
and on them you have set the world. (*Response*)

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn: CP 348 The Living God Be Praised
(*tune: Leoni*)

THE GOSPEL: Mark 13: 1-8
Reader: *Kathleen Patterson*

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=2021-11-14>

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

Reflection: Tara Poilievre

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith (*based on Ephesians 3*)

Leader: Let us stand and declare our faith in God.

**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.**

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession: *Led by Kathleen Patterson
In response to the words, "God, in your mercy,"
the community prays, "Hear our prayer."*

God of our past and our future,
God of healing and hope:
We come before you with grateful hearts,
trusting that you walk with us
through all the times of our lives.

So, we pray today for those who face danger
and despair in these times:
We remember before you those living with hunger,
communities struggling with the impact of drought,
storms and earthquakes,
and all those for whom the pandemic is unrelenting.
We remember people caught up in unrest
and violence and those whose lives are directed
by forces beyond their control.

(A silence is kept.)

We pray for all those working to relieve suffering
in these lives and those who work
to bring justice and peace:

All: God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those facing fear or frustration,
wrestling with sorrow
or discouragement in any area of their lives:
For those who live with illness or pain...
For those bearing chronic conditions or disability...
For those who know the grief
and change of bereavement...

(A silence is kept.)

And we pray for all those who work
to bring healing and comfort
and for agencies,
which offer support and care to those who suffer:

God, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer.

We pray for all who feel helpless
or hopeless in this present time:
For those struggling to make ends meet
or trying to find employment...
For those caught up in the pain
of misunderstanding or broken relationships...
and for those working through situations
of conflict at home or at work...

(A silence is kept.)

We pray for all who offer guidance and support
in the midst of such difficulties
and for those who have skills
in reconciliation or mediation:

God, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer.

God of our past and our future,
God of healing and hope:
Help our congregation and churches everywhere
as we regroup after months of pandemic isolation
to engage each day with faithfulness and creativity.
Where we need correction, show us a new way;
where we need love and encouragement, draw near.
Whatever our challenge, stay with us on our way
for we are the followers of Jesus,
in whose name we pray.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (Please stand as you are able.)

Leader: 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.**

Leader: 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

Leader With God all things are possible.
May we carry that confidence
into our daily life and work,
as we walk in Christ's footsteps,
guided by God's hand.
And may God bless us today and always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 467 Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go
(tune: Song 34)

Leader: 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: Worship Leader: Tara Poilievre; Reader and Intercessions: Kathleen Patterson; Musicians: Patricia Bates, Barbara Reul, Susanne Reul-Zastre, Genevieve Richards, Matthew Robertson, and Maria Ross; Sidespersons: Harry and Barbara Felsing; Creation of Prayers of Intercession: Joan Scandrett; Videographers: Ray Lett and Martin White; 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: Andrew Lloyd.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS November 14th – 21st
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

****Thank you to Tara Poilievre for filling in as Worship Leader this Sunday** while Daniel takes two weeks of well-deserved holiday time. Sean Tiernay will be the Worship Leader next week. Pastor Lyle McKenzie from Church of the

Cross will be available for any emergency pastoral care situations. He can be reached through St. Luke's Parish Office.

Who are your saints? Who has been a saint to you? – As in some years past, we are compiling a book of our saints to honour through the month of November. There will be a book at the back of the church for you to write in the names of your saints. **At this time, we will be honouring those no longer with us.** So please don't include the names of those you consider to be saints presently living among us.

***Coffee Time via Zoom will start at 11:45 am after the in-person and livestreamed service.** Watch for the link, which is sent out by e-mail and join us in your home via Zoom. Hope to see you there. **Note that there will not be a Zoom coffee time next Sunday, November 21st.**

Please register for next Sunday's 10 am Service of the Word by phoning (250-477-6741) or e-mailing the office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) before 11 am this Friday. (This will help us manage our capacity limits at this time.) **You will need to wear a mask, be distanced in the church except within family groups or established bubbles, and use hand sanitizer when entering the church.** The services will be livestreamed and recorded as well as being in-person. The Bishop encourages those who are unvaccinated to watch the online services.

****Thursday Morning Services** – There will not be Thursday services on November 18th and 25th. Thursday services will resume on December 2nd.

****Heads Up Regarding a Combined Advent Service at Church of the Cross** – This service will be held on the first Sunday of Advent, November 28th at 7 pm at Church of the Cross. Join with our friends at Church of the Cross for a service featuring Advent hymns and readings.

****Repairs to the Rock Walls in the Cemetery Will Begin this Month** – Several of the rock walls in the cemetery have

become safety hazards. We are pleased that the repair work on these walls will start this month. We anticipate that the cost will be around \$10,000. We would welcome donations towards these repairs and to the ongoing maintenance of the cemetery. If writing a cheque, please make your cheque payable to St. Luke's Church, noting that it is for the cemetery, and include your cheque in your donation envelope. Write on the outside of the envelope as well that the donation is for the cemetery. If you wish your donation to be put towards the cemetery rock wall repair, please add that on the memo line of your cheque or include a note with your donation. You can also make an online donation by credit card through Canada Helps. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website**.

****Lots of Pictures at the News Page of St. Luke's website –** Please check out the **News page of St. Luke's website** to see pictures from the *“No Stone Left Alone”* ceremonies at St. Luke's Cemetery and from the Service of Remembrance. On November 4th, over 400 students from Cedar Hill Middle School visited St. Luke's Cemetery to take part in two back-to-back *“No Stone Left Alone”* ceremonies to recognize veterans in St. Luke's Cemetery.

The November issue of the Diocesan Post is now available online at the News page of St. Luke's website. Print copies are available in the church or from the parish office. Or please call the office (250-477-6741) to ask to have a copy delivered.

Thank You for Your Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church through your offerings by writing a cheque, making a donation online through Canada Helps, and by signing up for ECP. **Note that the offerings will now be taken forward to the altar each Sunday during the service, but we can't pass around the collection plate at this time.** If you miss putting in your donation as you enter the church, donations left in the collection plates after the service will also be collected.

Livestreaming Help Needed – We are hoping to create a roster of people who can help with the livestreaming each Sunday. **If you are interested in learning new skills in this area, please talk to Sharon or Ray after the service, or to Daniel, or leave your name at the office.** An orientation session and training will be provided.

****Theology on Tap – “What a Lovely Canadian Crucifix!” - Wednesday, November 17th, 6:00 – 7:00 pm, Online**, hosted by Christ Church Cathedral. With “*What a Lovely Canadian Crucifix!*”, Dr. Brokenleg hopes to raise a question relating theology to Canadian history. Join together with others online in the relaxed forum of Theology on Tap to hear Dr. Brokenleg speak and answer questions after. Everyone is welcome! Registration information is at the **Events page of St. Luke’s website.**

***Dance Like Everybody is Watching** – A documentary screening and discussion with Simone Blais – **THIS SATURDAY, November 20th – 7:00 - 8:30 pm** – Lutheran Church of the Cross invites you to an online and in-person event (masks required) at Church of the Cross. View a 30-minute film (available in-person or online) that follows the lives of three dancers, revealing the racism and stereotyping they experienced in Victoria's dance community. Following the film, Simone will facilitate a Q & A period leading us through a discussion about racism, diversity, inclusion, cultural appropriation, and creating safer spaces. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke’s website.**

****Wednesday Evening Prayer with the Emmaus Community** – The Emmaus Community (600 Richmond Ave.) extends an invitation to soak in the ancient mysteries at a late-evening candle-lit service of prayer at 8:30 pm on Wednesdays. The first and third Wednesdays are chanted Complines with traditional settings adapted from the Book of Common Prayer. The second Wednesday of the month is prayer in the style of the Taize community with simple chants and silence. On the fourth Wednesday of the month, folk it up with Mountain

Vespers, a short evening prayer service sung in harmony and led by the in-house Stained Glass Bluegrass Band. Note that they use candles, incense and COVID-distancing protocols with masks for congregational singing. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.**

****Stamps for Cookware for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen** – St. Luke's is collecting the stamps from Thrifty Foods for the Vivo pots and pans promotion. The stamps collected will be used to buy pots and pans for Shelbourne Community Kitchen. If you shop at Thrifty's and don't need the stamps, please consider collecting and donating them. The stamps can be put in an envelope and dropped off at the office or put in the mail box by the hall front door. While the promotion runs until March 2, 2022, the Kitchen is planning to give away some pots and pans at Christmas so we hope to have some pans for them by then.

****Exposure – 16 Days of Activism** – This year's *16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence* will be the 30th such event since it was launched by the Women's Global Leadership Institute in 1991. During the 16 Days, which run from the International Day For The Elimination Of Violence Against Women (25 November) to Human Rights Day (10 December), individuals and organizations around the world engage in public advocacy and high profile campaigns to call for an end to all forms of gender-based violence (GBV). Over the years, a large number of Anglican churches and mission agencies have embraced the 16 Days in a number of different ways. Read more at the **Events page of St. Luke's website.**

***Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards** – You are invited to take part in this fundraising program using reloadable Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards. **St. Luke's will receive 5% from Fairway Market for every dollar loaded on the card.** To join in this program, please pick up your reloadable card from St. Luke's Office. Please contact St. Luke's Office or talk to Brenda Morgan for more information or visit the **Fundraising 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 the Church Office, mail them to the Church Office, or put them in an envelope in the mail slot. We have now collected \$5,000.23 in grocery receipts and have reached our first goal of \$5,000 in receipts to receive a \$50.00 gift certificate. **As of November 9th, we have \$3,015.84 towards our next goal of \$5,000 to receive a second \$50.00 gift certificate.** Please keep dropping off your receipts so we can reach another \$5,000. See more information at the **News page of St. Luke's website.**

Level Ground Fundraiser –You are invited to take part in a fundraising program to benefit St. Luke's when you buy coffee, tea, and dried fruit through Level Ground Trading. **When you order online at Level Ground Trading, St. Luke's will receive 15%.** ONLINE ORDERING IS EASY! Visit **Shop at Level Ground** (<https://levelground.com/collections>). At checkout, use the code **StLuke** to ensure the 15% comes to St. Luke's. The minimum order is \$40 for the 15% return to St. Luke's and this includes free shipping. See more information at the **Fundraising page of St. Luke's website.**

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray the Anglican Church of Australia - The Most Revd Geoffrey Martyn Smith, Primate. **In the Canadian ACC/ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray** the members of the Council of General Synod (ACC) and the members of the National Church Council (ELCIC). **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** Anna, our Bishop, and for the Parish of St. Michael and All Angels, Chemainus, and their priest, Michael Wimmer. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Territory of the People Anglican Church and the Territory Steering Committee.



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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY November 21, 2021

2 Samuel 23: 1-7

Psalm 132: 1-13 (14-19)

Revelation 1: 4b-8

John 18: 33-37

FLOWERS

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

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