# Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 31) October 31, 2021 Holy Eucharist



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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.

Prelude (Please be seated.)

Welcome and Introduction (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Please stand as you are able.

#### Bishop Anna:

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.

Invitation to Confession

Bishop: Jesus said:

Before you offer your gift, go and be reconciled.

As brothers and sisters in God's family,

we come together to ask God for forgiveness.

#### Confession

Bishop: God our Father,

All: Holy God,

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.

#### Absolution:

Bishop: 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.

Opening Hymn: CP 486 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (tune: CP 374 Hyfrydol)

# **Collect of the Day**

Priest: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Bishop: Eternal God, teach us to love you

not only in mind and heart but also in purpose and action,

so that we may love the children of the earth

in Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

#### The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 6: 1-9

Reader: Harry Felsing

Reader: A reading from Deuteronomy.

The reading can be found here: <a href="https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=227#hebrew\_oth\_reading">https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=227#hebrew\_oth\_reading</a>

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119: 1-8

Response: Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

Blessed are those whose way is pure, who walk in the law of the Lord.
Blessed are those who keep his testimonies and seek him with their whole heart. (Response)

Those who do no wickedness, but walk in his ways.
You, O Lord, have charged that we should diligently keep your commandments. (Response)

O that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes.

Then should I not be put to shame, because I have regard for all your commandments. (Response)

I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, when I have learned your righteous judgements. I will keep your statutes; O forsake me not utterly. (Response)

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn: 559 Blessed Jesus, At Your Word (tune: Liebster Jesu)

THE GOSPEL: Mark 12: 28-34 Reader: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

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: <a href="https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-10-31">https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2021-10-31</a>

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rt. Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee

Bishop: Let us stand and profess our faith in the words from the New Zealand Prayer Book, "A Liturgical Affirmation".

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.

Please be seated.

Prayers of Intercession: Led by Harry Felsing In response to the words, "God of Love," the community prays, "Speak into our lives today."

Let us bring the needs of the church, the world, and all in need, to God's loving care.

God of creation, we give you thanks for the ways you reveal your beauty in the changing of the seasons, the wildness of storms, the rain that nourishes and refreshes the earth.

We pray for the will and the courage to love the earth by being wise and faithful stewards of the gift you have given us, and to act on behalf of your creation where it is stressed and broken. God of Love,

# All: Speak into our lives today.

God of all, we pray for your world and the people you love.
Guide the leaders of countries to choose the well-being of their citizens over power and corrupt ways.
We pray for all who are victims of cruel and petty laws, those who are subjected to prejudice, denied opportunities, excluded, and pushed to the margins.
God of Love,

## All: Speak into our lives today.

God of the ages, we pray for the church in all its expressions.

We thank you for your faithfulness and for our tradition which has helped to shape us as disciples of Christ.

We pray to be opened ever more to the leading of your Spirit, revealed to us in Word and in Sacrament, that we may be bold in our love for the healing of the world.

God of Love,

# All: Speak into our lives today.

We pray for those who struggle during these challenging times; for the ones who are overworked and underpaid; for those whose work is dangerous; for those who are searching for meaningful employment; for all in the healthcare profession who are exhausted, discouraged and fearful.

May we seek opportunities to offer support, encouragement and hope.

God of Love,

#### All: Speak into our lives today.

We pray for those who are hurting, those who have been betrayed, who fear to trust or to love.

May we increase in our ability to be compassionate and caring, that through our ministries we may find the way and the words to let them know they are loved by you. God of Love.

### All: Speak into our lives today.

We pray for those who lie close to our hearts, those we worry about, those we miss, and those who are carrying heavy burdens at this time.

(A silence is kept.)

May they know the power of your healing touch, and the peace of your presence.
God of Love,

#### All: Speak into our lives today.

We offer these prayers in confidence and hope, in the name of Christ Jesus.

# All: Amen.

**The Peace:** (Please stand as you are able.)

For the peace, please acknowledge your greeting of peace

by a simple bow - with no physical contact.

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

# Offertory Hymn: CP 484 In Christ There Is No East or West

(tune: McKee)

# The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts:

Bishop: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:

through your goodness

we have this bread to set before you,

which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

Bishop: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:

through your goodness

we have this wine to set before you,

fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All: Blessed be God for ever.

# **Eucharistic Prayer:**

[Source: "Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 1 from Eucharistic Prayers, Services of the Word, and Night Prayer - Supplementary to The Book of Alternative Services – Anglican Church of Canada (2001)]

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Bishop: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Bishop: 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:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Congregation may sit or kneel at this time.

Bishop: 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.

Bishop: 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.

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

Bishop: 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: Bishop: Lamb of God,

All: you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Giving of Communion

Bishop: God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All: Thanks be to God.

For the communion procession, please follow the directions of the sidespeople as each section is invited to come forward. Allow at least 2 metres (6 feet) between you and the person in front of you. As you come up to the communion station, stand behind the marked line and reach your hand forward to receive the host. Please exit to the chapel side and return to your seat.

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

Bishop: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Bishop: 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:

Bishop: May God, who gives patience and encouragement,

give you a spirit of unity

to live in harmony as you follow Jesus Christ,

so that with one voice you may glorify

the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 377 To the Name of Our Salvation

(tune: Oriel)

Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Thank you to all who helped with this service: Presider: Bishop Anna Greenwood-Lee; Assisting Priest: The Rev. Daniel Fournier; Liturgical Assistant: Sean Tiernay; First Reading and Intercessions: Harry Felsing; Musicians: Patricia Bates, Olivia Craster, Daniel Fournier, Barbara Reul, Susanne Reul-Zastre, Genevieve Richards, Matthew Robertson, and Maria Ross; Sidespersons: Heather Simpson, Jane Grant, and Barb Prescott; Creation of Prayers of Intercession: Joan Scandrett; Videographers: Sharon McMillan 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 October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 7<sup>th</sup> (\*\*New Items, \*Revised Items)

\*Heads Up re our Service of Remembrance NEXT SUNDAY, November 7<sup>th</sup> – This will be a 10 am Service of the Word and will be a combined All Saints' Day Service and a Service of Remembrance. The service will start in the church and then we will move to the outside to honour the veterans in the cemetery. Trumpeter Ben Parker will join us for this service.

\*Please register for next Sunday's 10 am service by phoning (250-477-6741) or e-mailing the office (<a href="mailto:admin@stlukecedar">admin@stlukecedar</a> hill.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.

\*Jazz Up Your Sunday Evening with a Jazz Vespers service starting at 7 pm NEXT SUNDAY, November 7<sup>th</sup> – This hour long service in the church will feature lots of jazz along with

contemporary prayers, poems, and readings. Come and see what it's all about!

- \*There will not be a Coffee Time via Zoom today. Zoom Coffee Times will resume next Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup> and 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.
- \*\*Daylight Saving Time Ends next Saturday night, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Remember to "fall back", and turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed.
- \*\*Vocation Day Saturday, November 6 9:30 am 2:30 pm at UVic Multifaith Centre or Zoom (TBD) What is the role of clergy in the 21<sup>st</sup> century church? How is this vocation changing with the times? Who is called to this sacred order? Join Bishop Anna, along with 11 other speakers (postulants and clerics), each with a unique story to tell about how God called them to ordination and how God has been using them since. Whether you might be discerning a call to ordained ministry or you are an active member of your parish and want to know more about what your parish can do to raise up people for ministry, you are encouraged to attend. See more information at the **Events page of St. Luke's website**.
- \*\*Exposure: Call for Video Submissions For the 16 Days of Activism in 2021, the Anglican Communion Office is inviting young Anglicans (aged 35 and under) to submit short videos which express their perspectives of gender-based violence. Between November 25 and December 10, the Anglican Communion Office will release a selection of those videos on their official social media channels as part of their response to the 16 Days. Submission deadline October 31. 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 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.

Thanksgiving Food Drives for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Gathered 1,000 lbs in Donations – The Kitchen sends a great big thank you to St. Luke Cedar Hill, St. George's Cadboro Bay, Shelbourne Street Church of Christ and Lutheran Church of the Cross for all the wonderful donations the Kitchen received from the recent Thanksgiving Food Drives. Together these groups helped to gather 1,000 lbs of food donations in support of the Pantry Program! (St. Luke's contributed 498 lbs!) These generous donations of fresh produce, pantry-staples and canned goods are helping to fill their shelves this fall. Thank you from the Kitchen to these generous donors!

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria - The Rt. Revd. Samy Fawzy, Primate and Archbishop of Alexandria and Bishop of Egypt. In the Canadian ACC/ELCIC Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon (ACC) and the president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon (ELCIC). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the congregation of St. John the Divine, Victoria and their priests, Alastair Singh-McCollum, Bill Tarter, and Stephanie Wood. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for 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 November 7, 2021**

Wisdom of Solomon 3: 1-9
Psalm 24
Revelation 21: 1-6a
John 11: 32-44

#### **FLOWERS**

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

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