



Advent 1 Traditional Service with Bell Choir November 27, 2022

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St. Catherine's Mission, Vision and Values

St. Catherine's Anglican Church, near the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səlililwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations, is a contemporary community of Christian seekers

We welcome you to join us in the journey. We provide a place of spiritual growth through Christ and we respond with gratitude for God's abundance in our lives through service to our brothers and sisters in the world.

Our **Vision** is to:

- Be an inclusive and thriving community of faith for all generations
- Continually invite others to join us in our journey of faith and Christian discipleship
- Honour the strengthening of relationships and development of community, both within our walls and outside them
- Minister to those in need in Christ's name

Our Values:

St Catherine's is a community that aspires to be:

Welcoming, Inclusive, Curious, Creative,
Sustainable, Caring and Humble



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SAINT CATHERINE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Anglican Church of Canada - Diocese of New
Westminster Situated on the unceded traditional Coast
Salish territory of the Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish) and
səlililwətaʔ (Tseil-Waututh) First Nations

*Votive candles are available to light during communion. Please consider
a donation to the candle fund. We ask that you light one candle per
person with a fresh lighting stick and extinguish it in the sand.*

GATHERING

Prelude: Dona Nobis Pacem

Welcome & Intention: Rev. Sharon Smith

Children – Advent Wreath Lighting

“Hope can’t Wait”

Presider: In this time and place we gather
on the ancestral lands of the
Sk̓wx̓wú7mesh (Squamish) and
səlililwətaʔ (Tseil-Waututh) nations.

**All: From many places and peoples
we come to this house of prayer.**

Presider: In this time and place we await the coming of
Emmanuel, God with us.

All: Maranatha, come Christ come.

Presider: In this time and place,
we await God’s transformation of the world.

All: Maranatha, come Christ come.

Presider: In this time and place,
we await the coming of peace on earth.

All: Maranatha, come Christ come.

Gathering Hymn: Come, Thou Long expected Jesus

Come, Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

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

People: And also with you.

Presider: Loving God,
**All: to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy Name
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silence is kept.

Lord Have Mercy (Kyrie Eleison)

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Christ Have Mercy

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Prayer of the Day (Collect):

(Prayers and Services for Advent)

Presider: Give to us all, dear God,

**All: a sense of your presence and peace.
In the dark night of the world's anguish,
we pray to you out of our need.
Surprise us today by a new star
that lights up the sky, giving us hope
and banishing our despair. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The visionary message presented in this reading focuses on a future day when God establishes universal peace. Divine decisions will make war obsolete, the worshiping community responds: "Let us walk in the light of that Lord now!"

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

In days to come
the mountain of the LORD's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.

Many peoples shall come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD!

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 122 (paraphrase by Nan Merrill)

Led by Sharon Fedorak

Leader: My spirit soared when a Voice spoke to me:
"Come, come to the Heart of Love!"

**People: How long I had stood within the house of
fear, yearning to enter the gates of Love!**

Leader: The New Jerusalem, the Holy City,
is bound firmly together;

**People: all who seek the Heart of Love,
those who have faced their fears,**

Leader: enter the gates in peace and with great joy,
singing songs of thanksgiving.

People: **There, in harmony with the cosmos,
the community gathers united in love,
and prays for the peace of the world!**

Leader: May all nations prosper as one!
 May peace reign among all peoples,
 and integrity dwell within every heart!

People: **Then will friends and neighbors,
and former enemies as well, cry out,
"Peace be within you!"**

Leader: For the good of the universe and
 in gratitude to the Beloved,

All: **Let us serve the Holy One of all nations
with glad hearts.
Amen**

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

*Paul compares the advent of Christ to the coming of dawn.
We live our lives today in light of Christ's coming.*

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn: Come, Lord Jesus

Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus,
Come and be born in our hearts.

Come, O Prince of Peace,
Come, O Prince of Peace,
Come, O Prince of Peace,
Come and be born in our hearts.

Our hearts are open,
Our hearts are open,
Our hearts are open,
Come and be born in our hearts.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus describes sudden, turbulent happenings that bring about deep change to day-to-day lives. The lesson of this story: Be prepared! Our task is to listen carefully to the text and allow these symbols to evoke a sense of urgency and expectancy at God's future.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

[Jesus said to the disciples,] "About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man.

Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Presider: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Hymn (*continued*)

Come, Emmanuel,
Come, Emmanuel,
Come, Emmanuel,
Come and be born in our hearts.
Come and be born in our hearts.

Homily – Rev. Sharon Smith

Reflective silence follows.

Affirmation of Faith:

Presider: Do you believe in God?

**All: We believe in God,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus?

**All: We believe in Jesus the Christ,
redeemer of humanity.**

Presider: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**All: We believe in the Holy Spirit,
sustainer of life.**

Presider: Let us keep silent and remember the One who came when words were not enough.

PRAYER

Prayers of the People – Guest Intercessor

Confession:

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes all
and invites us to this table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Presider: Most merciful God,
**All: we confess that we have sinned against
you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you
with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as
ourselves. We are truly sorry
and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Presider: Loving God have mercy upon us,
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Passing of the Peace

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The community, standing at our seats, greet one another saying or gesturing: 'Peace be with you'.

COMMUNION

Preparing the Table: Jesus calls us here to meet him.

Jesus calls us here to meet him,
as through word and song and prayer
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who call us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness,
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

Jesus calls us to each other:
found in him are no divides.
Race and class and sex and language –
such are barriers he derides.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and doubter
in their common search for truth.

Jesus calls us to his table
rooted firm in time and space,
Where the church in earth and heaven
finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body;
share the love of which we sing;
share the feast for saints and sinners
hosted by our Lord and King.

Prayers over the Gifts

Presider: God of abundance,
**People: we bring before you the precious fruits
of you creation, and our very lives.
Teach us patience and hope
as we care for all those in need
in this hour of our waiting for Christ
to be born among us. Amen.**

Blessing of Financial Pledges (Rev. Sharon)

The Eucharistic Prayer (ELCIC III for Advent)

Presider: May God be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to God.
Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: Blessed are you gracious God,
Creator of heaven and earth;
Source of light and life.
In the fullness of time
you come among us enfleshed.
And so, together with all the choirs of angels,
your peoples on earth and in heaven, we
praise your name and join the unending hymn:

Sanctus (St. Bride Setting)
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full
are full of your glory.**

**Blessed is the One who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider: Holy One, the beginning and the end,
the giver of life
Blessed are you
for the birth of creation,
Blessed are you
in the darkness and in the light.
Blessed are you
for your promises to your people,
Blessed are you
in the prophets hopes and dreams
Blessed are you
for Mary's openness to your will
Blessed are you
for Jesus, the Word made flesh.

Presider: In the night
in which he was betrayed,
Jesus, in a room with his friends, took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and shared it
saying take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying; This cup
is the new covenant in my blood
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin,
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Presider: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:
**All: Christ has died
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Presider: With this bread and cup
we remember your Word
dwelling among us,
full of grace and truth.
We remember our new birth
And we look with hope for Christ's coming.

All: Come, Lord Jesus

**All: Holy God,
we long for your Spirit,
come among us,
bless this meal,
may your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.**

All: **Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Come, Holy Spirit.**

Presider: All praise and glory are yours,
Holy One of Israel,
Word of God incarnate,
and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever,

All: **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer (*Sung*):

**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.**

Fraction (Breaking of Bread):

Presider: God of promise,
you prepare a banquet for us at your table.

People: **Happy are those who are called to the
eternal supper of the Lamb.**

Invitation to the Table:

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Communion:

All people are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Fresh Bread or Wafers) at the station below the stairs, or Communion of one or both kinds at the Altar. Wine is administered from a common cup. Gluten free wafer are available upon request.

Please sanitize your hands before receiving.

While the communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence.

Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

Communion Music:

Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

Repeat

There Comes a Galley Laden

There comes a galley, laden
Up to the highest board;
She bears a heav'nly burden,
The Father's etern' Word.

She saileth on in silence,
Her freight of value vast:
With Charity for mainsail,
And Holy Ghost for mast.

The ship has dropped her anchor,
Is safely come to land;
The Word etern' in likeness
Of mortal form does stand.

Prayer after Communion:

Presider: God for whom we wait,
**All: in this meal you give us a foretaste of
that day when the hungry will be fed
with good things.
Help us to live in the tension between
what has been done and
what will be done;
into the surprise of Christ who comes
again and again and again into
our midst. Amen.**

SENDING

Community Announcements

Blessing – Guest

Closing Hymn: O Come O Come Emanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who orders all things mightly;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain

O come, Thou Dayspring, from on high,
and cheer us by your drawing night;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O Come, Desire of nations, bind
in one the hearts of humankind;
O bid our bitter conflict cease,
And be for us our Prince of Peace. *Refrain*

Dismissal

Presider: Go forth, open to the dawning Light of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.



Join us after the service for:

*Lunch in the Lobby, followed by a panel conversation:
Engaging all Christian Traditions*

Panelists include:

Heather Luccock: Benedictine practices
Deborah Foster: Contemplative prayer
John Luccock: Why the eucharist is important
Pauline Barrett: Social justice inspired by the Gospel

Thank you for ministering this morning:

Music:	Rob Gloor and Singers
Bells:	Ruth Tschannen, Alison Roberts and Bell Choir
Coffee Group:	Penny Zuk, Lynn Spence and Elizabeth Barratt
Greeters:	Gillian Holland and Marion Porter
Altar Guild:	Susana Wensley
Readers:	1 Sharon Fedorak 2. Heather Luccock
Intercessor:	Rev. Ann Burfeind
Eucharistic Ministers:	Linda Robertson and Pauline Barrett
Livestream:	Armin
Sunday School:	Shaunti Baines

Advent & Christmas 2022

(see St. Catherine's website for more details)

December 4: **ADVENT 2: Soul Food Sunday**
(10 am) Neighbourhood Breakfast with
Creative Expression Liturgy

December 11: **ADVENT 3 Worship**
(10 am) Traditional service,
with a contemporary approach.

December 18: **ADVENT 4 Worship**
(10 am) Traditional service,
Lessons and Carols

December 24: **Christmas Eve Services**
(3 pm) **Family Service** with an
Interactive Nativity Tale.

(5 pm) **Traditional Service** with music,
candlelight, readings, prayers, a
Eucharist/Communion and homily.

December 25: Regional Christmas Day Service at St.
Agnes, 530 12th St. E
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