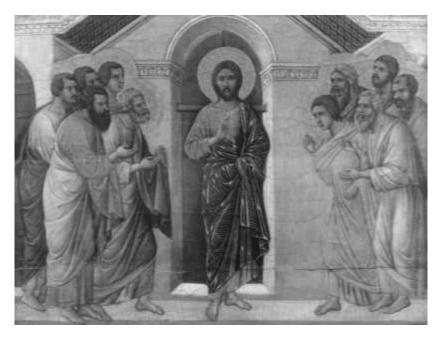
Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

Second Sunday of Easter April 16, 2023 - 10:00 am Holy Communion



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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 (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Please stand as you are able.

- Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.
- All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

<u>Opening Hymn:</u> <u>CP 231 That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright</u> (tune: Lasst uns erfreuen)

Invitation to Confession:

It is difficult for people who are scared Priest: to stand up for what they believe in, to speak openly about their convictions. It is difficult for those who have suffered much or have seen much evil and distress to accept that things can change for the better, and that even our misery and wounds can help lighten the burden of others. All this becomes possible and believable when we meet the Risen Lord. He bears the scars of his wounds and yet he is the glorious Lord. By his wounds we are healed. And he tells us here in the Eucharist to go out and spread his message of joy. As we prepare to enter into today's Eucharist, we confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

- Priest: Like Mary at the empty tomb, we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence. Lord, have mercy.
- All: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Like the disciples behind locked doors, we are afraid to be seen as your followers. Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

- Priest: Like Thomas in the upper room, we are slow to believe. Lord, have mercy.
- All: Lord, have mercy.

Absolution:

- Priest: May the Father of all mercies Cleanse you from your sins, and restore you in his image to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- All: Amen.

(Common Praise tune #425):

All: Glory be to God in heaven, peace, goodwill to all the earth, mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth. We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise, saints and angels bow before you, here on earth our songs we raise.

> Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love, Son of God and gracious Saviour, you have come from heaven above. On the cross you died to save us, now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer, restore, forgive us, in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you, Lord alone to you we call, Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all. Jesus Christ with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendour bright, for the peace that we inherit glory be to God on high!

The Collect of the Day

- Priest: God be with you.
- All: And also with you.
- Priest: Let us pray.

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, so that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God, the Source of all life.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: ACTS 2: 14A, 22-32

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Acts.

The reading can be found here:

https://lectionary.anglican.ca/?date=2023-04-16

At the end of the reading:

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

<u>PSALM 16</u>

Response: God will not abandon me to the grove.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people. *(Response)*

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. *(Response)*

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage. *(Response)*

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall. *(Response)*

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit. *(Response)*

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. *(Response)*

SECOND READING: 1 PETER 1: 3-9

Reader: A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

The reading can be found here: https://lectionary.anglican.ca/?date=2023-04-16

At the end of the reading:

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

Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn: CP 244 We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight (tune: Shanti)

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20: 19-31

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here:

https://lectionary.anglican.ca/?date=2023-04-16

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ. All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: The Risen Christ by N. Weaver

Please stand as you are able.

The Apostle's Creed:

Priest: Let us profess the faith of our baptism, 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.

Please be seated.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession: *In response to the words,* "Caring God," *the community prays,* "**Hear our prayer.**"

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

God of new Life,

the Risen Christ spoke words of peace to his friends. Thank you for strengthening our faith and offering us that peace as we live in you day by day. We are grateful that you give us courage to face our fears and struggles, patience to endure moments when the way ahead is not clear, and resilience to meet changing realities. Make us a source of peace and resilience for Christ's sake.

Caring God,

All: Hear our prayer.

Loving God, we pray for the many places of brokenness in our world. We think especially of those weighed down by economic pressures, and people still recovering from the effects of the pandemic. We pray for people and communities at odds over policies and opinions, and those who feel their concerns are going unheard. We pray for the earth itself under the impact of human activity and for those working to protect its future. Grant the earth and all its peoples your gifts of hope and healing.

Caring God,

All: Hear our prayer.

Faithful God. we pray for those who struggle with their experience of the church. Open them to your love and grace so that any pain the church has caused will be healed. Guide us with your Spirit of wisdom to know how to live out our faith in ways that create pathways for others to find you, not barriers. We pray for our congregation, for our Diocese, and for the Church of Jesus Christ in every country and culture. In these days of challenge and criticism for churches, strengthen our trust in you and our concern for others. Give us ears to hear the correction we need in any challenge, with hearts opened by the grace of the Risen Christ.

Caring God,

All: Hear our prayer.

We also pray for ourselves, our family and friends, our community and country. We lay before you in silence all the people and concerns on our hearts and minds today. *(Silence is held)*

Caring God,

All: Hear our prayer.

We are grateful that we can place all our worries and our hopes into your hands, O God, knowing that you will hear us and respond. Receive all our prayers, in the name of Christ Jesus in whose name we pray.

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.

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

All: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: CP 312 Sing a New Song unto the Lord (tune: Sing a New Song)

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts:

Priest: God our Father, your Son came among his disciples and brought them peace. In these signs of bread and wine let him come among us,

his disciples today, to bring us the peace of his presence and to strengthen our faith. For he is our Lord and our God now and for ever

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer:

[Source: An Order for the Holy Communion (2009, revised) The Anglican Church of Australia Liturgy Commission.]

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

Priest: Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And now we give you thanks because Christ our paschal sacrifice has made us children of the light, rising to new and everlasting life.

> He has opened the gates of heaven to receive his faithful people. His death is our ransom from death, his resurrection is our rising to life.

The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world, while the choirs of heaven sing for ever to your glory.

(From Common Praise # 735)

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

Congregation may sit or kneel at this time.

Priest: We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

> On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection

until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died:

All: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Priest: Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

> Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with St. Luke, St. Thomas and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen. (Sung 5 times - From Common Praise # 737)

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

Priest: 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:** (From Common Praise # 747):

All: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Giving of Communion:

Priest[.] The table of bread and wine is now ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth. in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table. you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

After three years of a pandemic protocol concerning communion (bread only), we are returning to communion in both kinds (bread and wine). Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as the congregation is invited to come forward to the Altar Rail.

If you would prefer not to receive communion, please come forward for a blessing. Crossing your hands over your chest will signal the priest to give you a blessing instead. Please exit through the chapel and return to your seat.

NOTE: Gluten free wafers are available on request.

Please remain seated as we sing the hymn during communion.

Hymn during Communion: CP 232 Jesus Is Risen from the Grave (tune: Childer)

Prayer after Communion: Please stand as you are able.

Priest: God our Father, we thank you for Jesus, your risen Son. He who loves us is alive. Give us eyes of faith to see that all that we are and do has a meaning and a purpose, and that your Son is with us and guides us through our darkness and hesitations to the fullness of love and joy. Let him stay with us now and for ever.

- All: 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: God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

All: Amen.

<u>Closing Hymn: CP 239 Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now</u> (tune: St Albinus)

Dismissal:



Postlude

Thank you to all who assisted with today's service.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for The Anglican Church of Tanzania - The Most Revd Dr Maimbo Mndolwa - Archbishop. In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma (Anglican); The congregations of the Southern Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (Lutheran). In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the parish of St. Columba, Tofino. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of New Westminster -Bishop John Stephens.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS April 16th - April 23rd (**New Items, *Revised Items)

*Special Coffee Time after Church today, Sunday, April 16th – This is a special time set aside to remember parishioners whose passing we weren't able to acknowledge when they died during COVID. Please plan to stay for this special coffee time after church today.

*Thank you for your donations in your Loonies for Lent boxes and your other donations to Earthquake Relief for Turkey and Syria – As of April 10th, we have received \$866 in donations in the Loonies for Lent boxes. In addition, another \$944 has been donated including the money donated at the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, donations at Fantastic Friday, and donations from parishioners in their envelopes, bringing the total to date to \$1,810. These donations will be sent to help those impacted by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria.

St. Luke's Spring Fair – Saturday, April 29th, from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. This year's Spring Fair will feature a Coronation Tribute area on the stage, where we will display and sell Royal memorabilia. Please consider what you can donate to our sale, including this type of memorabilia, plants, vintage garments etc. as well as all the usual treasures and goodies. Thanks for your support for this major fundraiser. **Drop off times will be the week of April 24th.** If you have questions, please talk to Carol Turnham.

*Volunteers Needed for the Plant Tables – We are looking for volunteers to help out at the plant tables for our Spring Fair. Help with setup on April 28, and/or selling on April 29 would be greatly appreciated. If you can help, please call Kathleen Patterson. It's Time to Make Jams and Jellies for the Spring Fair, which will be on April 29th. If you need jars, or have extra jars, please call Patricia Bates.

**The Men's Fellowship Group will meet Wednesday, April 19th at 6:30 pm at the White Spot on Quadra Street. Please advise Harry Felsing if you would like to attend.

**Attention Crafters! The next Craft Night will be on Thursday, April 20th in the Sequoia Room (Lounge) from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Bring a craft project you have started. Please talk to Joanne Jolson or Heather Simpson if you have any questions.

*You are invited to a Tour of St. Luke's Cemetery presented by the Old Cemeteries Society on next Sunday, April 23rd at 2:00 pm. The tour will feature stories of the early pioneer families, the history of this area, and its importance in the agriculture of Greater Victoria. Cost is \$5 for the tour.

*Our next Reflections Time will be next Sunday, April 23rd, at 4:30 pm – This Reflection time will feature a guest organist, Neala St. Hilaire, along with contemporary prayers, poems, and readings. The readings, prayers, and music of this special Reflection Time will calm your spirit and soothe your soul.

**Save the Date for a Coronation Tea on Saturday, May 6th in St. Luke's Hall starting at 2 pm. Watch for information about tickets coming soon.

Registration will open May 1st for This Year's Amazing Journey Day Camp, which will be held July 10th to July 14th. Children born January 1, 2012 to June 30, 2019 are eligible to be campers. **If you wish to save a spot or spots prior to the registration opening, please e-mail Barb (communications @stlukecedarhill.ca).** We will also be looking for Middle School students to be Leaders in Training and High School students to be Small Group leaders. Early Bird Registration fees will be \$45 for the first child, \$40 for the 2nd child, and \$35

for the 3rd child. Questions? Please talk to Tara Poilievre, Sharon Hallsor, or Barb Prescott.

Reusable Grocery Bags Needed by the Shelbourne

Community Kitchen – The reusable grocery bag supply at the Shelbourne Community Kitchen is running very low and they want to do their part to reduce waste and save costs at the Kitchen. They will gratefully accept reusable grocery tote bags and paper or plastic bags, grocery-size only. Reusable bags can be added to the collection baskets for the Kitchen in the church and the hall.

St. Luke's Vision, Mission, and Actions



St. Luke's Vision

St. Luke's is a beacon in the community, illuminating many ways to encounter God.

St. Luke's Mission

We are supportive people of faith who welcome all with compassion and embrace a culture of community, with outreach as our cornerstone.



St. Luke's Actions: To achieve our Mission, we

- Engage in a vibrant practice of praise but also seek God's peace through prayer and contemplation
- Respect and appreciate the heritage of the first peoples on whose lands we gather and worship
- Nurture a sense of community and promote a culture of inclusion and belonging
- Honour the history of our sacred spaces
- Pursue social and spiritual understanding
- Embrace the values of kindness, openness and hospitality
- Offer compassionate pastoral care
- Base outreach on an attitude of caring and acceptance



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We hope you will visit again!

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY April 23, 2023

Acts 2: 14a, 36-41 Psalm 116: 1-3, 10-17 1 Peter 1:1 7-23 Luke 24: 13-35

FLOWERS

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God. Flowers at St. Luke's are coordinated by Ann Séguin.