



# Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025

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#### St. Catherine's Mission, Vision and Values

St. Catherine's Anglican Church, at the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Squamish and 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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#### GATHERING

#### Welcome & Intention: Rev Sarah Lehman

Presider We acknowledge that we live, work, and worship on the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary lands of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations. We are grateful to the Indigenous communities who live here, we mourn those who were forcibly removed, we grieve our complicity in the legacy of colonialism. In sharing this acknowledgement, we seek to hold ourselves accountable to the needs and rights of Indigenous peoples and to take up the work of truth and reconciliation ever more meaningfully, day by day.

> 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.

PresiderLet us pray.We thank you, O God, that you have brought<br/>us together to praise you for your goodness<br/>and to ask your blessing.<br/>Give us grace to see your hand in the week<br/>that is past, and your purpose in the week to<br/>come; through Christ our Lord,PeopleAmen.

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#### CONFESSION

*Presider* Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God, Presider we confess that we have sinned against Δ]] 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 Merciful God, grant to us, your faithful people, pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **A**// Amen.

# GATHERING HYMN: GLORY TO GOD ON HIGH (CP 365)

**G**lory to God on high, and peace to all on earth, We worship you, we give you thanks, our heavenly King. We give you praise, almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

**O**ur Saviour, Jesus Christ, the father's only Son, the sacrificial Lamb, who saves the world from sin, have mercy Lord. Besides the Father's hand enthroned, Now hear our prayer

You only are the Lord. You only are most high, You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Chris, And now you reign with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

#### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### FIRST READING: AMOS 8:1-12

Reader A reading from the book of Amos

This is what the Lord God showed me - a basket of summer fruit. He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the Lord said to me, "The end has come upon my people Israel; I will never again pass them by. The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day," says the Lord God; "the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!" Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?

On that day, says the Lord God, I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day.

The time is surely coming, says the Lord God, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, but they shall not find it.

# ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the churchesPeopleThanks be to God

Silent reflection

# PSALM 52 Led By Vivian McGie

Leader People	You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness against the godly all day long? You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, O worker of deception. You love evil more than good and lying more than speaking the truth. You love all words that hurt, O you deceitful tongue. <i>I trust in the mercy of God for ever and</i> <i>ever.</i>
Leader	Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living!
People	<i>I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.</i>
Leader	The righteous shall see and tremble, and they shall laugh at you, saying, "This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness."
People	I trust in the mercy of God for ever and
Leader	<i>ever.</i> But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever. I will give you thanks for what you have done and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.
People	I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever. Amen.

#### SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:15-28

Reader A reading from Colossians

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present evervone mature in Christ.

ReaderHear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.PeopleThanks be to God.

Silent Reflection

# GOSPEL HYMN: TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE (CP 435)

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise,

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,

Take my lips, and let me be filled with messages from thee; take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

#### **GOSPEL READING: LUKE 10:38-42**

Please stand, as you are able.

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
People	Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him [into her home]. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

PresiderThe Gospel of Christ.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# **GOSPEL HYMN CONTINUED** (CP 532)

Take my will, and make it thine: It shall be no longer mine; take my heart, it is thine own; it shall b thy royal throne.

**T**ake my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store. take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee,

# HOMILY – Rev. Sarah

Silent Reflection

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Apostles' Creed *Please stand, as you are able.* 

Presider All	Let us confess our faith as we say, 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.

#### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

# THE PEACE

Presider	We are the body of Christ; in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People	And also with you. The people, standing at our seats, greet one another in the name of Christ, saying or gesturing "Peace be with you."

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

# OFFERING

#### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

PresiderLet us pray.AllO God,accept our praise and thanksgiving.Help us in all we do to offer ourselves asa true and living sacrifice;through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

#### THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

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Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all you have done for us. We thank you for the splendour of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love. We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side. We thank you for setting us tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us. We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

> Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

> Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

# THE COLLECT

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Eternal God,

you draw near to us in Christ and make yourself our guest:

amid the cares of our daily lives, alert us to your presence and make us attentive to your voice, so that we may treasure your word above all else.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.

#### Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider	Gathering our prayers and praises into one,		
	let us pray as our Saviour taught us, singing:		
A//	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 u Save us from the time of trial,			
	For the kingdom, the power, and the		
	glory are yours,		
	now and forever. Amen.		
Presider	Let us bless the Lord! Alleluia!		
People	Thanks be to God! Alleluia!		

# SENDING

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** A Churchwarden

# INVITING BLESSING ON BASKETS FOR TURNING POINT RECOVERY HOUSE

Presider: Eternal God, True Provider of Every Need, we invite your blessing on these baskets, assembled with such loving care. We pray that they might carry the assurance of your abiding strength, peace, and love to their recipients, at a point of transition and transformation in their lives. May all who receive these gifts, like Jesus, Mary, and Martha, grow daily in grace, wisdom, serenity, and the certainty that they are your children, known by name, and beloved by you as their authentic selves.

People Amen.

# DOXOLOGY

Presider: 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.

#### SENDING HYMN: YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES (CP 320)

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:

Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! **O** higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia! Thou bearer of th' eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord: [Refrain]

**R**espond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia! Alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song: [Refrain]

**O** friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia! Alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One: [Refrain]

# DISMISSAL

*Presider* May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

#### Please join us after the service for coffee at the back of the church.

# Thank you for ministering this morning:

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Sarah Lehman			
Musician:	Hyejung Jun and Choir		
Altar Guild:	Sharon Fedorak		
Greeters:	Marion Porter and Tony Dodd		
Eucharistic			
Administrators:	Bonnie Grundy and Vivian McGie		
Intercessor:	Prayers written by Bev London		
Readers:	Vivian McGie & Elizabeth Barratt		
Coffee Group:	Penny Zuk, Elizabeth Barratt and Susana Wensley		
Livestream:	Ashkon Vahedi		
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Texts Used in Today's Worship

Psalm: translation from *Inclusive Language Liturgical Psalter,* The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, 2016.

Collect: from *A Prayer Book for Australia (1995) alt.,* in *Alternative Collects for Years A, B, & C of the Revised Common Lectionary with Seasonal Prayers over the Gifts and Prayers after Communion,* authorized by The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, 2019.



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