STATA CHURCH





Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 27, 2025

Art: Cara B. Hochhalter, *From the Lord's Prayer* http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=59064 *Commentary by the artist: ""We hear the "Lord's Prayer" a little differently in this version from Luke. I focused on feeding and forgiving, these two aspects of the prayer Jesus taught. Being hungry and being in debt make people poor in our country and world. Then, so often people become victims of their own poverty... Perhaps God's kingdom... comes on earth as we focus on feeding and forgiving, on bread and friendship, and finding equitable solutions for those who are in debt...*"

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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As you enter the church, we invite you to light a votive candle to remember a person or situation that you carry on your heart. Candles are also available during communion.

GATHERING

Welcome & Intention: Rev Sarah Lehman

A moment of silent reflection

Please stand, as you are able.

Curate 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 for and will advocate for Indigenous communities, we mourn those who were forcibly removed, and we grieve the painful legacies of colonialism. In sharing this acknowledgement, we seek to hold ourselves accountable to taking up the work of truth and reconciliation ever more meaningfully, day by day.

All May we be ministers of the reconciling love of the Risen Christ. May our hearts be filled with joy. Alleluia!

- Celebrant 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.

GLORIA (CP 376) Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

THE COLLECT

Celebrant

Let us pray. O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN (CP 388)

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God. he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode. On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

All

See! The streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage? Grace, which like the Lord, the Giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near. Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day, daily on the manna feeding which God gives them on their way.

Savior, if of Zion's city I through grace a member am, let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name. Fading is the worldling's pleasures, all his boasted pomp and show; solid joys and lasting treasures none but Zion's children know.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: HOSEA 1:2-10

READER A READING FROM HOSEA

When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the Lord." So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel." She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Loruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen." When she had weaned Loruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, "Name him Loammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God." Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can

be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

ReaderLet us hear what the Spirit is saying.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 85 *Led By Tony Dodd*

Leader You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, you have restored the good fortune of Jacob. You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins. You have withdrawn all your fury and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

People Show us your mercy.

Leader Restore us then, O God our Saviour; let your anger depart from us. Will you be displeased with us for ever? will you prolong your anger from age to age? Will you not give us life again, that your people may rejoice in you?

People Show us your mercy.

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation. I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

People Show us your mercy.

Leader Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

People Show us your mercy.

LeaderThe Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.PeopleShow us your mercy.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 2:6-15

READER A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He

disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

GOSPEL HYMN: SEEK YE FIRST (CP 458)

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you, Allelu, alleluia

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Allelu, alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find; knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia Refrain

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 11:1-13

Please stand as your able

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

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Deacon	The Gospel of Christ.
People	Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Silent Reflection

SERMONETTE Rev. Sarah Lehman

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

DeaconLet us affirm our faith of our baptism,
as we say,AllI 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.

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION

Deacon Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

DeaconMost merciful God,Allwe 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.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*All*Amen.

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

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

COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE: I THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY

I the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

> **Refrain**: Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain **I**, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Refrain Whom shall I send?

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

CelebrantGod of grace,Allaccept all we offer you this day,
as we look toward the glory you
have promised. This we ask in the
name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

Celebrant People	We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe. Glory to you forever and ever.
Celebrant	You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all you serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,
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, hosanna in the highest.
Celebrant	We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, Because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us, You showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry He suffers with the sick and the rejected.
	Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death.

Celebrant People	By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people. Glory to you for ever and ever.
Celebrant	On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood
People	this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me." Glory to you for ever and ever.
Celebrant People	Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of the bread, and share in the life of the family of your children. Glory to you for ever and ever.
Celebrant	Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom.

Celebrant We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen

Lord's Prayer (Sung):

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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.*All* We, being many, are one body, for we all share in one bread.

Celebrant	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 (bread or wafers), or Communion of one or both kinds at the Altar. Gluten free wafers 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: HERE IS BREAD, HERE IS WINE.

Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us, He is with us. Break the bread, drink the wine, Christ is with us here.

Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us, He is with us. Know His grace, find peace, feast on Jesus here.

In this bread there is healing, in this cup there's life forever. In this moment, by the Spirit, Christ is with us here.

Here we are, joined as one, Christ is with us, He is with us. We'll proclaim, 'til he comes, Jesus crucified.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CelebrantGod of grace,Allwe have received the memorial
of the death and resurrection of your
Son.
May your love, poured into us,
bring us to your promises.
We ask this in the name of our Redeemer
Jesus Christ.
Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: A Churchwarden

Celebrnt: 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.

BLESSING Rev. Sharon Salomons

SENDING HYMN: STAND UP AND BLESS THE LORD (CP 350)

Stand up and bless the Lord; God's people now rejoice; stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.

Oh for the living flame from God's own altar brought, to touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heaven our thought.

God is our strength and song; who makes salvation ours. God's love in Christ we now proclaim with all our ransomed powers.

Stand up and bless the Lord; the Lord your God adore; stand up and bless God's glorious name henceforth forevermore.

DISMISSAL

DeaconThe service is over, and so our service begins.
Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

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

Thank you for ministering this morning:

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Celebrant: Rev. Sharon Salomons

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Intercessor: Linda Robertson

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