

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 27, 2025 – 10 am
Holy Eucharist



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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the lək̓ʷəŋən peoples, known in our day as the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, the traditional custodians of these lands. We are grateful for their hospitality.

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Lord's Prayer, Albani Psalter, 12th Century.

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Welcome and Introduction (*The Rev. Daniel Fournier*)

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: CP 458 Seek Ye First

(tune: Seek Ye First)

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

All: And also with you.

Invitation to Confession

Priest: Prayer has been a key component of faith
for thousands of years.
While prayer can be uniquely personal,
today's readings provide some essential
and expansive insights about it from both Judaism
and early Christianity.
Hosea and Jesus both extol the importance
of persistence, and Jesus teaches us that prayer
at its best is communal.
We pray as one body of God's people.
Most profoundly, we dare to pray at all
because God is loving and just.
As we prepare our hearts to celebrate
this Eucharist today,
let us call to mind our shortcomings
as we confess to our compassionate God.

Silence is kept.

Confession

All: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on you,
Forgive you your sins,
and bring you to everlasting life,
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All: **Amen.**

Priest: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Provident God,
with the prayer your Son taught us always on our lips,
help us so to seek that we may truly find,
so to ask that we may joyfully receive,
and so to knock that the door of mercy
may be opened for us;
through Jesus Christ
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

Blessing of the Children

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: HOSEA 1: 2-10

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Hosea.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 85

Response: ***Show us your mercy.***

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. ***(Response)***

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? ***(Response)***

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. ***(Response)***

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. ***(Response)***

The 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. ***(Response)***

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 2: 6-15 (16-19)

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

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 572 Let There Be Light

(tune: Concord)

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 11: 1-13

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier *(Please be seated.)*

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith [from Ephesians 3]

Leader: Let us declare our faith in God:

**All: We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Sitting, standing or kneeling, as is your custom.

Let us pray with confidence as God's holy people.
We pray for the church, for all people everywhere, for
all in our parish.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE,
we pray today for the Anglican Church of Papua New
Guinea, The Right Revd Nathan Ingen, Primate.

Locally we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for St.
Mary of the Incarnation, Metchosin, and their priest,
Rev. Lynn Mills. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of
the Cross and Pastor Lyndon, **and for** the Diocese of
the Territory of the People, and Bishop Clara
Plamondon.

Loving and Holy God,
we come before you in prayer,
trusting that your power works in the world
in ways that we cannot imagine.
We thank you for calling goodness forward,
for supporting love and creating justice
even in situations which seem hopeless to us.
Draw on our prayers this day
as signs of your Spirit at work in our lives:

**All: Caring God,
Hear us as we pray.**

God of the world and all its peoples,
we pray today for those who lift up their voices in
troubled nations...
in Ukraine, Palestine, and Yemen.

(add other places in the recent news)

Call the powerful to account, O God,
and inspire leaders with the courage
to listen to voices that cry out in pain and desperation.

Caring God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

God of our everyday lives,
we pray today for all those whose daily lives
have been disrupted by forces beyond their control:
those struggling with the effects of illness,
those burdened by the rising costs of daily needs,
those facing effects of climate change
on their communities.

(add any other disruptions in the news this week)

Inspire governments to combine compassion
and good planning to respond to those
who face such upheaval.

Caring God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

God of the courageous and compassionate,
we pray for those who live out their commitment
to the well-being of others day by day,
in health care, education, social work,
public service and environmental concerns.
Support them in times of stress
and inspire them to speak out
when they see needs being neglected.

Caring God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

God of our homes and families,
we pray for our friends and neighbours near and far,
for all who travel and for those who find themselves
strangers in new communities.

Draw near to each one in deep need,
especially those on our hearts this day.

(Names are added here...)

Caring God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

Equip us to support those lives
that intertwine with ours,
for we are your people, embraced by your love.

All these prayers spoken and those deep in our hearts,
We pray this through Christ Jesus.

All: Amen.

Invitation and Peace *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus
and with all those 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 faith
and you who would like to have more.

You who have been to this sacrament often,
and you who have not been for a long time.

You who have tried to follow Jesus,
and you who have failed.

Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

As we prepare to come to the table
let us exchange a sign of peace with one another.

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

All: And also with you.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: CP 342 We Praise You, O God

(tune: Kremser)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Gracious God,
you are always approachable and available,
and so we bring this bread and wine before you.
May this Eucharist and every prayer
be an occasion for us
to deepen our relationship with you,
to understand you better and to love you more,
to understand ourselves better
and to love your people more,
through the prayers of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

*Please remain standing for the whole Eucharistic Prayer,
as you are able.*

Eucharistic Prayer

*[Source: Eucharistic Prayer G - from Common Worship: Services and
Prayers for the Church of England (2000) (including the Psalter as
published with Common Worship)]*

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: Blessed are you, Lord God,
our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.
You give us breath and speech,
that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

(From Common Praise # 719)

**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.**

Priest: How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour,
born of Mary,
to be the living bread,
in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

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

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he 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
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:

**All: When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

Priest: Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us
at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us
the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things
in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.
Reveal her unity, guard her faith,
and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with St. Luke all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,

with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.** (*Sung 3 times - From Common Praise # 721*)

The Lord's Prayer

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 (*Setting: Land of Rest*)

All: **O Lamb of God, you take away
the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us, Lamb of God,
and grant us your peace.**

The Giving of Communion

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as the congregation is invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine.

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.

NOTE: *Gluten free wafers are available on request.*

Please remain seated as we sing the hymns during communion.

Hymns during Communion:

CP 70 Jesus, the Joy of Loving Hearts

(tune: Maryton)

CP 402 Come and Fill our Hearts With Your Peace

(tune: Confitemini)

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

Priest: Holy God,
we thank you for giving us your Son
in this Eucharistic celebration.
May we learn from him
not only to pray to you
but also to let our deeds match our words.
May our prayers prompt us
to commit ourselves more deeply
to bring forgiveness, justice and love to all,
that people may praise your name
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.**

Announcements *(Please be seated.)*

Blessing *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: May God give to you and to all those you love
comfort and his peace,
light and his joy,
in this world and the next;
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 430 Will You Come and Follow Me
(tune: Kelvingrove)

Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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

In the Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Rt. Rev. Stephen London, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Edmonton (Anglican); **and for** the dean, council, and congregations of the East Central Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories (Lutheran).

July 27th – August 3rd
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

We welcome Alan Whitmore to the 10 am service at St. Luke's – Alan will be our Interim Music Director, as we look for our new Music Director. Alan has been a life-long performer, educator, and church musician as well as Music and Liturgy editor for Wood Lake Publishing. A certified Spiritual Director/Facilitator, he uses this training as well as his musical gifts in all forms of his ministry. Alan is very excited to be joining the St. Luke's family as Interim Music Director and looks forward to working with the church family to see what new and

spirit-filled ideas can be added to an already rich liturgy and parish life.

***An Invitation to a Performance by the Pacific Edge Chorus**

– This invitation is brought to you, on behalf of "Pacific Edge Chorus", formerly known as "City of Gardens Chorus", by Cynthia Blackburn. Cynthia is a member of St. Luke's choir, as well as Pacific Edge Chorus. Pacific Edge Chorus is a competing member of "Sweet Adelines International" and has been around for several years. Their special brand of music is A Cappella, 4 part harmony. **The performance is in Beacon Hill Park, Cameron Bandshell, today, Sunday July 27th, starting at 1:30 pm. It is "free"** and there is seating for the audience. There is no need to miss church - there is plenty of time to get there after church.

***Visit to the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Garden at St. Luke's NEXT Sunday, August 3rd**

– After the 10 am service next Sunday, August 3rd, we will visit the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Garden behind South Island Centre. We will have our coffee time there and enjoy a tour of the garden. Through the Garden Programs, the Kitchen hosts a variety of workshops, tours, farm gleaning opportunities, and educational resources to their members to promote food growing at home.

Prescription Deadline – Friday, August 8th is the deadline for submissions for the **Summer issue of St. Luke's**

Prescription. Please send along your articles, photos, poems, and other creative endeavours, Neil in St. Luke's Office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) or Barb Prescott (communications@stlukecedarhill.ca).

****Special Meeting of the Congregation in the Hall on**

Sunday, August 10th following the 10 am service. This

meeting will be an information session and discussion concerning the flags at the front of the sanctuary. Coffee and tea will be available as we meet.

***The Church Office will be closed on Friday, August 1st** when Neil takes one of his vacation days and **on August 4th for BC Day**. It will reopen on Tuesday, August 5th at 9 am. The Church Office will also be closed on the following Fridays: August 15th, 22nd, and 29th.

Collecting Baked Beans for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen – The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is asking St. Luke's to collect cans of baked beans through the months of July and August. Tyler, from the Kitchen Pantry Program, is asking various groups to focus on just one item. The Kitchen really benefits from large volumes of the same of item. Baked beans are great protein for community members and they fly off the shelves when they have them. **Let's see how many cans of baked beans St. Luke's can collect by the end of August.**

CLAY Fundraising Programme – Four members of St. Luke's (Genessa, Aanika, Dawn, and Scarlett) will be attending the Canadian Lutheran Anglican Youth (CLAY) Gathering in Saskatoon from August 21 - 24, 2025. The CLAY Gathering is for youth between the ages of 14 - 19. Sharon Hallsor and Tara Poilievre will be going as the leaders. As one of their fundraisers, the girls helped with the coffee time in June. Other fundraisers are also planned.

More Fundraising for CLAY – Please **bring your refundable bottles and cans to St. Luke's any Sunday**. Money from your empties will be put towards the fundraising for CLAY. **We have registered CLAY with the Quadra and Glanford Bottle Depots, so that you can take your refundables directly to the Bottle Depot and receive credit towards CLAY.** Or if anyone has bottles that they would like picked up to donate to this fundraiser, please leave a message with the office and Sharon Hallsor or Tara Poilievre will pick them up and take them to the Bottle Depot.

Diocesan Women's Retreat – Keeping the Faith in Turbulent Times is the theme of the Fall Diocesan Women's Retreat. The facilitator is Bishop Anna Greenwood-Lee and the Spiritual

Director is the Rev. Christine Conkin. **Date: September 26-28, 2025. Place: Camp Pringle.** The registration form is available at the **News page of St. Luke's website**. Due to the possible postal strike, an e-mail to **birish@shaw.ca** will be accepted as a registration with the payment arranged later. If you are paying by cheque, please make it payable to: St. John the Divine (NOT to the Diocesan Women's Retreat).

St. Luke's Library

St. Luke's Library, located in the Sequoia Lounge in the Hall, has been reorganized and updated. It presently has 886 interesting books ready for you to browse and borrow. The Library is open when the Parish Office is open 9 to noon, Monday to Friday and during coffee time on Sundays. Please check with the Parish Office to make sure that there are no meetings booked in the Lounge.

The books are organized in the library by call number. Lists of the books sorted by title and call number can be found at **the News page of St. Luke's website**.

This is an honour system library, so you may keep the book as long as you wish. However, please remember that others might like to read the book as well. Please see information about signing out books at **the News page of St. Luke's website**.

This year we were fortunate to be able to hire Shannon Stewart through a Canada Summer Jobs Program Grant. She has worked on organizing and expanding the library including cataloguing, labelling, and shelving an additional 65 books, along with other jobs such as organizing St. Luke's Archives.

St. Luke's Library features a good local history section (the 971 section) as well as fiction books, biographies, and, of course, lots of books on Christianity, Christian experience, faith, and theology. Featured authors include Herbert O'Driscoll, Phyllis Tickle, Brian McLaren, Marcus Borg, and Joan Chittister.

The Library is ready for you to browse and borrow any books that appeal to you!

Missing Books

Shannon has also been checking that the books on the library list are in the library. She has found that a number of books are missing. No one has signed out the card which goes with the book to indicate that they have that book. **If you find one of these missing books, or if you have one, could you please return it to the return bin in the library. Or please sign out the book by writing your name and phone number on the card in the back of the book.** Then put the card in the box with the other sign out cards.

Here is the list of the missing books:

- 113 TEI "The Phenomenon Of Man" by Pierre Teilhard
- 158 PEC "The Road Less Traveled" by Morgan Scott Peck
- 200 ARM "The Battle For God" by Karen Armstrong
- 204 RUP "The Circle Of Life" by Joyce Rupp (missing one copy)
- 208 LEW "Fern-Seed And Elephants, And Other Essays
On Christianity" by C.S. Lewis
- 220 CEN "Women Of The Bible" published by Centennial
Media (oversized, magazine)
- 223 LEW "Reflections On The Psalms" by C.S. Lewis
- 232 CAH "Desire Of The Everlasting Hills" by Thomas Cahill
- 232 WIL "Jesus: A Life" by A.N. Wilson
- 236 KUN "Eternal Life? Life After Death As A Medical,
Philosophical, And Theological Problem" by Hans Kung
- 242 NOR "Celtic Daily Prayer" by Northumbria Community
- 248 CLI "Jung And Christianity" by Wallace Cliff
- 248 FIN "Merton's Palace Of Nowhere" by James Finley
- 248 JUR "The Lord Is My Shepherd, But... Confessions Of The
Natural Man" by Barbara Jurgensen
- 248 LEW "Letters to Malcolm: Chiefly On Prayer" by C.S. Lewis

Thanks for your help with this. If you have any questions, please talk to Shannon or to Barb Prescott.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY August 3rd, 2025

Hosea 11: 1-11

Psalm 107: 1-9, 43

Colossians 3: 1-11

Luke 12: 13-21

FLOWERS

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