

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
August 10, 2025 – 10 am
Holy Eucharist



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The "Eye of the Lord," or the Eye of Providence, 19th century.

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

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: CP 7 New Every Morning Is the Love
(*tune: Melcombe*)

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: My friends, it's easy to put our faith on the back burner as we deal with life's demands.
But today's Gospel is clear that we are always expected to be aware and prepared.
Jesus usually shows up in our lives under unexpected circumstances and in unexpected people.
We will only recognize these many opportunities if we're paying attention.
We coast along at our own risk.
Faith and readiness are lifelong attitudes, honed one careful day at a time.
Let us prepare ourselves for today's Holy Eucharist and Christ's presence as we first confess to God our sin, first in silence.

Silence is kept.

Confession

All: **Almighty and most merciful God,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
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: Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: May God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Father,
by faith Abraham set out from his home
to seek the land of your promise.
May we, like him, look for the city
that none but you can design and build.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 1: 1, 10-20

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50: 1-8, 23-24

Response: ***Our God will come and not keep silence.***

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken;
he has called the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God reveals himself in glory. **(Response)**

Our God will come and will not keep silence;
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.
He calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgement of his people. **(Response)**

"Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."
Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;
for God himself is judge. **(Response)**

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.
I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your offerings are always before me. **(Response)**

Consider this well, you who forget God,
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honours me;
but to those who keep in my way
will I show the salvation of God." **(Response)**

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11: 1-3, 8-16

Reader: A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

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 466 How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord
(tune: Repton)

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 12: 32-40

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 Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda, The
Most Revd Laurent Mbanda, Primate. **Locally we pray**
for Anna, our Bishop, and for St, Mary the Virgin,
Oak Bay, and their rector, Craig Hiebert. **We also pray**
for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyndon,
and for the Diocese of Kootenay, and Bishop Lynne
McNaughton.

Living God,
we give you thanks for life and breath
to follow you all our days.
Thank you for the gift of faith
that gives us courage when things are difficult,
and for the encouragement
we find in the faith of others we meet.
Inspire us to remain loyal to you
as our true Source of life and hope.

Loving God,
All: Hear us as we pray.

Faithful God,
thank you for guiding us
when we cannot see the path ahead.
Thank you for showing us a way
through our challenges
when we cannot see a solution on our own.
Renew our trust in you in these days
when so much is confusing and uncertain.

Loving God,
All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for those who wonder if they can rely on you,
and for those who are afraid for the future.
Give them courage to listen for your call
and follow your leading.

Loving God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for those who doubt.
Give them courage
to explore those doubts and questions
and so discover renewed trust in your promises.

Loving God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for those who are impatient.
Bless them in times of waiting
for what comes next and fill them with kindness.

Loving God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for those
who have chosen a path that has led to trouble.
Turn their hearts towards you and lead them
in ways of goodness, justice, and generosity.

Loving God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for your Church
in these days when so much is changing.
Give us wisdom to discern ways
to reach out to our community,
and faithfulness to keep following Jesus
into the future you hold in your hands.

Loving God,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for the troubling situations in our world,
For those who struggle to find food, shelter, safety,
and peace.
For victims, refugees and displaced people
due to war and conflict.

Loving God,
All: Hear us as we pray.

We pray for those who have asked us to pray them...
(Names are added here.)

Loving God,
All: Hear us as we pray.

Faithful God, we depend on you.
Be gracious and bless us,
so that our lives may be a blessing to others.
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 435 Take My Life, and Let It Be

(tune: Mozart)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: Father,
receive all we offer you this day,
and grant that in this eucharist
we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

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

Eucharistic Prayer:

*[Source: Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 1 - Eucharistic Prayers,
Services of the Word, and Night Prayer Supplementary to The Book
of Alternative Services. 2001.]*

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: Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us
and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah,
through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin
and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe
we proclaim your glory singing:

(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: Gracious God,
in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ
to share our fragile humanity.
Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection
you open the path from brokenness to health,
from fear to trust, from pride and conceit
to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world
that could not bear the Gospel of life,
Jesus knew death was near.
His head anointed for burial
by an unknown woman,
Jesus gathered together those who loved him.
He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it
and gave it to his friends,
saying, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
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.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table
in response to his commandment,
to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love,
and to proclaim our faith.

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

Priest: Breathe your Holy Spirit,
the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we bring to you:
this bread, this cup,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love for all the world
and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, Creator of all,
and we bless your holy name for 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 59 Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him

(tune: Jesus Calls Us)

CP 64 Author of Life Divine

(tune: Rhosymedre)

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

Priest: Eternal God,
grant to your Church the unity and peace
that we have tasted in this eucharist,
the fruit of your life-giving Spirit.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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: Go forth into the world in peace.
Be of good courage.
Hold fast that which is good.
Render to no one evil for evil.
Strengthen the fainthearted.
Support the weak.
Help the afflicted.
Show love to everyone.
Love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
And the Blessing of Almighty God,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you right at this moment,
at the end of this liturgy,
and always and everywhere
as you navigate life in these critical times.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn:
CP 601 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending
(tune: Blaenwern)

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. Helen Kennedy, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle (Anglican); **for** the dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories (Lutheran); **and for** Remembering August 13 – in 1727, this was the day when the young community in Herrnhut, Germany, nearly torn apart by internal theological conflict, was bonded together by the power of the Holy Spirit. Some call it our Moravian “Pentecost.” (Moravian).

August 10th – August 17th
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

***Special Meeting of the Congregation in the Hall TODAY 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.

***Mark Your Calendars – Next Sunday, August 17th,** it will be St. Luke's turn to host our friends from **Lutheran Church of the Cross for a combined worship service** at 10 am at St. Luke's. There will be a coffee time after that service.

****Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards** – Thank you for using your Fairway Market Community Shopping Cards. At

the end of July **we received a payment of \$221.83, bringing our total to date to \$4,132.75, since we started taking part in this program in 2021.** Please continue to use your reloadable Fairway Market Community Shopping Card so that **St. Luke's can receive 5% from Fairway Market for every dollar loaded on the card.** To join in this program, please pick up your reloadable card from St. Luke's Office. For more information, please contact St. Luke's Office, talk to Brenda Morgan, or visit the **Fundraising page of St. Luke's website.**

It's Time to Order Church Calendars for 2026 – Please phone (250-477-6741) or email the parish office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) to reserve your copy (or copies) of the 2026 church calendar. **This year we will only be ordering the Canadian Church calendar.** The Anglican Church calendar has become a lot more expensive than the Canadian Church calendar and we were subsidizing its cost by charging more for the Canadian Church calendar. By only ordering one type of calendar, we can offer it at \$8 each. Please pay for your calendar when you pick it up. **The deadline to place your calendar order is Friday, September 12th.**

Square-Dancing at the St. Luke's Western Pub Night – All the dancers who demonstrated square dancing on Saturday night had a great time and I hope we showed how much we enjoy the dancing. We call it "Friendship set to music". When we invited people up to join in, we had plenty of takers, who also seemed to be really enjoying themselves! A couple of people asked me about lessons so I am including the following information: **Our classes are run by Lorne and Barbara Clayton at Cordova Bay United Church (813 Claremont Avenue) on Sundays from 7- 9 p.m. There are two free classes (when you can try things out without commitment) on Sundays, September 14 and 21.** Casual attire and no partner required. I look forward to seeing you in a square - Gillian Bloom

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.**

****The Shelbourne Community Kitchen is Seeking Reusable Grocery Bag Donations** – The Pantry Team is seeking donations of reusable grocery bags to be used in their Pantry Program. Clean bags can be dropped in the Shelbourne Community Kitchen baskets in the church or the hall and we'll deliver them to the Kitchen.

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. 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 17th, 2025

Isaiah 5: 1-7

Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-18

Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2

Luke 12: 49-56

FLOWERS

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