



Holy Eucharist
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 28, 2025

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: The. Rev. Sarah Lehman

Please stand, as you are able.

Deacon 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 legacies of colonialism. 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!**

Deacon 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)

All **Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!**
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

THE COLLECT

Deacon Let us pray.

All **Grant, O merciful God, that your Church,**
being gathered by your Holy Spirit into
one, may show forth your power among all
peoples, to the glory of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: PRAISE, MY SOUL (CP 381)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing.

Alleluia, alleluia,
praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our forebears in distress;
praise him, still the same forever,
slow to chide and swift to bless;
Alleluia, alleluia,
glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands be gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes:
alleluia, alleluia,
widely as his mercy flows.

Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
blows the wind and it is gone;
but, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on:
alleluia, alleluia,
praise the high eternal one.

Angels help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia,
praise with us the God of grace.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 32: 1-3a, 6-15

Reader A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar. At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, where King Zedekiah of Judah had confined him. Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: Hanamel son of your uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is yours." Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord, and said to me, "Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it for yourself." Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord. And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses, and weighed the money on scales.

Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and the open copy; and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who were sitting in the court of the guard. In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in order that they may last for a long time. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91:1-6, 14-16

Led by Vivian McGie

Leader Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,
abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

People **They shall say to the Lord, "You are our
refuge and our stronghold, our God in
whom we put our trust."**

Leader The Lord shall deliver you from the snare of the
hunter and from the deadly pestilence.

People **The wings of the Lord shall cover you,
and you shall find refuge under them; the
faithfulness of God shall be a shield and
buckler.**

Leader You shall not be afraid of any terror by night,
nor of the arrow that flies by day;

People **of the plague that stalks in the darkness,
nor of the sickness that lays waste at
mid-day.**

Leader "Because they are bound to me in love,
Therefore will I answer them;

People **I will protect them,
because they know my name.**

Leader They shall call upon me, and I will answer them;
I am with them in trouble; I will rescue them
and bring them to honour.

All **With long life will I satisfy them,
and show them my salvation."**

SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-19

Reader *A reading from the first letter to Timothy*

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time - he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age

are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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All **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN:
GOD, THAT MADEST EARTH AND HEAVEN (CP 30)

God, that madest earth and heaven,
darkness and light;
who the day for toil hast given,
for rest, the night;
may thine angel – guards defend us,
slumber sweet thy mercy send us,
holy dreams and hopes attend us,
this livelong night.

Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,
And, when we die,
may we in thy mighty keeping
all peaceful lie:
when the last dread call shall wake us,
do not thou our God forsake us,
but to reign in glory take us
with thee on high.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 16:19-31

Please stand as you are 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 Christ.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

GOSPEL HYMN (repeat last verse)

Guard us waking, guard us sleeping,
and, when we die,
may we in thy might keeping
all peaceful lie:
when the last dread call shall wake us,
do not thou our God forsake us,
but to reign in glory take us
with thee on high,

HOMILY The Rev. Sarah Lehman

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Deacon Let us affirm our 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.**

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.

Deacon Most merciful God,
All **we 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

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE:

SURELY, IT IS GOD WHO SAVES ME (CP 361)

Surely it is God who saves me;
I shall trust and have no fear.
For the Lord defends and shields me
and his saving help is near.
So rejoice as you draw water
from salvation's healing spring;
in the day of your deliverance
thank the Lord, his mercies sing.

Make God's deeds known to the peoples:
tell out his exalted Name.
Praise the Lord, who has done great things;
all his works God's might proclaim.
Zion, lift your voice in singing;
for with you has come to dwell,
in your very midst the great and
Holy One of Israel.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant Let us pray.
All **Eternal God,**
in Jesus Christ we behold your glory.
Receive the offering of your people
gathered before you,
and open our hearts and mouths
to praise your great salvation,
the same Jesus Christ our Lord

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (Salal and Cedar)

Celebrant May God be with you
People **And also with you**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to God our Creator.
People **It is right to give our thanks and**
praise.

Celebrant It is right at all times and in all places to
thank and praise you, Creator of all. We
praise you here on this Coast Salish land
where the Fraser and the Capilano Rivers
meet the sea, where city and farm,
wilderness and industry are side by side.
We praise you at a time when the body of
earth is broken again and again.
We give thanks for our place in the story
of salvation. Our ancestors journeyed with
you in creation and migration.

Celebrant

They depended on the land, were
displaced from the land and displaced
others from their lands.

They knew you in tents and cities, on
mountains and by wells, in families and in
dreams, and through wilderness prophets
who spoke of cedars and listened to
ravens.

Together with angels and ancestors, orca
and salmon, bear and raven, salal and
cedar, we join our voices with all creation
singing this ancient honour song:

All (CP 735)

**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.**

Celebrant

We give thanks to you for Jesus, whose
first bed was a feed trough. He was
baptized into the Jordan and tested in the
wilderness. He travelled in fishing boats
and told parables of famers and seeds,
labour and wages, yeast and bread.
On the night before he died, Jesus took
bread, food of the poor, the work of field
and hearth.

Celebrant

He gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his friends saying: Take and eat, this is my body, given for you, do this to remember me.

Again after supper he took the cup of wine, fruit of the land, gave thanks and gave it to his friends saying: This is my blood, which is shed for you. When you do this, do it in memory of me.

Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection and awaiting his coming kingdom, we offer you this bread and this cup.

Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts so that we know Jesus in them and are gathered together with everyone who shares this sacred meal of justice and community.

Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that we may strive for justice and peace, respect the dignity of every human being, and safeguard the integrity of creation.

Bring us with Saint Catherine and all your saints to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily, child and beggar which is both now and yet to come.

All honour and glory are yours, Creator, Christ and Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

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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 of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All **God is here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God
People **Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Bread or Wafers), or in both kinds (Bread and Wine).

Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Please sanitize your hands before receiving.

Please do not instinct (dip) the Bread or Wafer in the cup.

While the Communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence.

Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

COMMUNION MUSIC:

HOW LOVELY IS THY DWELLING PLACE (CP 498)

How lovely is thy dwelling place,
O lord of hosts, to me!
My thirsty soul desires and longs
within thy courts to be;
my very heart and flesh cry out,
O living God, for thee.

Beside thine altars, gracious Lord,
the swallows find a nest;
how happy they who dwell with thee
and praise they whose hearts are set
upon the pilgrim's quest.

They who go through the desert vale
will find it filled with springs,
and they shall climb from height to height
till Zion's temple rings
with praise to thee, in glory throned,
Lord God, great King of kings.

One day within thy courts excels
a thousand spent away;
how happy they who keep thy laws
nor from thy precepts stray ,
for thou shalt surely bless all those
who live the words they pray

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant

Let us pray

All

**Father in heaven,
strengthen the unity of your Church,
so that we who have been fed with holy
things may fulfil your will in the world.**

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: A Churchwarden

Celebrant 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 Fr. Kevin Hunt

SENDING HYMN:

GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH (CP 565)

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



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

Thank you for ministering this morning:

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