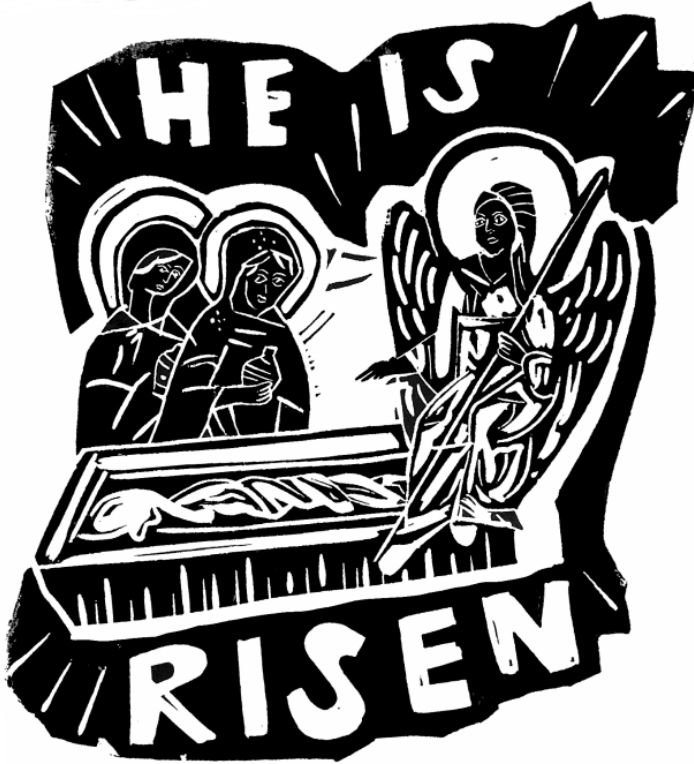


ST Catherines  
CHURCH



Easter Sunday  
April 5, 2026 at 10 a.m.

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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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*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.*

*Liturgical Note*

*In the context of Christian liturgy, Israel and Zion do not refer to the modern political state, but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.*

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**GATHERING**

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**PRELUDE**

**ENTRANCE OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE**

*Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

*Presider*      Dear friends in Christ,  
                    on this holy day,  
                    when we celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ  
                    passing from death to life,  
                    the Church invites her children throughout the  
                    world  
                    to come together in prayer and praise.  
                    We remember Christ's death and resurrection  
                    by hearing his word and celebrating his  
                    mysteries;  
                    we are confident  
                    that we shall share his victory over death  
                    and live with him forever in God.

Let us pray.

*Presider* Father,  
we share in the light of your glory  
through your Son, the light of the world.  
Sanctify this fire, and inflame us with new  
hope.  
Purify our minds by this Easter celebration  
and bring us one day to the feast of eternal  
light.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Presider* The light of Christ.  
***People*** **Thanks be to God.**

*Presider* Alleluia! Christ is Risen!  
***People*** **Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia.**

*Presider* As we gather on the unceded and ancestral  
lands  
of Coast Salish nations,  
let us pray that Christ's grace and peace will be  
with us.

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

## **GLORIA** (CP376)

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

**OPENING HYMN: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! (CP 374)**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
His the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluia, his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now.  
Alleluia! He is near us;  
faith believes, nor questions how.  
Tho' the cloud from sight received him,  
when his forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluia! Born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne.  
Thou among us, our companion,  
robed in flesh, our great high priest,  
thou on earth both priest and victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
His the sceptre, his the throne;  
Alleluia, his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
has redeemed us by His blood.

**COLLECT**

Presider      God of glory,  
**All**            **by the raising of your Son**  
                  **you have broken the chains of death:**  
                  **fill your church with faith and hope,**  
                  **for a new day has dawned**  
                  **and the way of life stands before us;**  
                  **through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour.**  
**Amen.**

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**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

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*Please be seated.*

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 65:17-25**

For I am about to create new heavens  
and a new earth;  
the former things shall not be remembered  
or come to mind.  
But be glad and rejoice for ever  
in what I am creating;  
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy,  
and its people as a delight.  
I will rejoice in Jerusalem,  
and delight in my people;  
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,  
or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it  
an infant that lives but a few days,  
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;  
for one who dies at a hundred years  
will be considered a youth,  
and one who falls short of a hundred  
will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;  
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.  
They shall not build and another inhabit;  
they shall not plant and another eat;  
for like the days of a tree shall  
the days of my people be,  
and my chosen shall long enjoy  
the work of their hands.

They shall not labour in vain,  
or bear children for calamity;  
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—  
and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,  
while they are yet speaking I will hear.  
The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,  
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;  
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!  
They shall not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader            Holy word, holy wisdom.  
**People**        **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24**

*The Psalm is led by John Luccock.*

Leader Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
God's mercy endures forever.

**People Let Israel now declare,  
"God's mercy endures forever."**

Leader The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and has become my salvation.

**People Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo  
in the tents of the righteous:  
"The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"**

Leader The right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"

**People I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord.**

Leader The Lord indeed punished me sorely,  
but did not hand me over to death.

**People Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks to the  
Lord.**

*Leader* "This is the gate of the Lord;  
here the righteous may enter."

**People I give thanks to you, for you have  
answered me  
and you have become my salvation.**

Leader The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

**People By the Lord has this been done;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Leader This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it. **Amen.**



Let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for her Lord is living, death has lost its sting!     *[Refrain]*

**GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28: 1-10**

Presider       The Lord be with you.

**People        And also with you.**

Presider       The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                  according to Matthew.

**People        Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Presider       The Gospel of Christ.

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

**GOSPEL HYMN** *continued...*

No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life;  
what is life without you? Aid us in our strife.

Make us more than conquerors, through your deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to your home above.

*[Refrain]*

## **HOMILY**

*Reflective silence follows.*

## **RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

Presider        Dear friends, through the paschal mystery  
                     we have been buried with Christ in baptism,  
                     so that we may rise with him to a new life.  
                     Now that our Lenten observance is ended,  
                     let us renew the promises we made in baptism,  
                     when we rejected Satan and all his works,  
                     and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy  
                     Church.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil  
and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

***People***

**I do.**

Presider        Do you believe in God the Father?

***People***

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider        Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

***People***

**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.**

**People** 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.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**People** 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.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and  
fellowship,

**People** I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil and,  
whenever you fall into sin, repent  
and return to the Lord?

**People** I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example  
the good news of God in Christ?

**People** I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons,  
loving your neighbour as yourself?

**People** I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace  
among all people,  
and respect the dignity of every human being?

**People** I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive to safeguard  
the integrity of God's creation,  
and respect, sustain and renew the life of the  
Earth?

**People I will, with God's help**

Presider God the creator, rock of our salvation,  
has given us new birth  
by water and the Holy Spirit,  
and bestowed upon us  
the forgiveness of sins,  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
May he keep us faithful to our calling,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Presider* 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".*

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## COMMUNION

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**PREPARING THE TABLE:** The Day of Resurrection (CP  
205)

The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad,  
the passover of gladness,  
the passover of God!  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ has brought us over  
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
Of resurrection light,  
and, listening to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain,  
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heaven be joyful;  
let earth her song begin;  
The round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein.  
Let all things seen and unseen  
their notes of gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord is risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Presider      Blessed are you, O God,  
**All**            **ruler of heaven and earth.**  
                  **Day by day you shower us with blessings.**  
                  **As you have raised us to new life in**  
                  **Christ,**  
                  **give us glad and generous hearts,**  
                  **ready to praise you**  
                  **and to respond to those in need,**  
                  **through Jesus Christ,**  
                  **our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

*Supplementary Prayer 2*

Presider      May God be with you.  
**People**      **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

**People We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us offer thanks to God our Creator.

**People It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Presider Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
We give you thanks and praise  
for the glorious resurrection of your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by his death he destroyed death,  
and by his rising to life again  
he has won for us eternal life.  
Therefore, joining our voices  
with the whole company of heaven,  
we sing our joyful hymn of praise  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All 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.**

*Presider*

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 all.  
Whenever you drink it, do this for the  
remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table i  
n 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.**

Presider

***All***

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.  
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.**

## **BREAKING THE BREAD**

Presider Lord, we died with you on the cross.  
**All Now we are raised to new life.**

Presider We were buried in your tomb.  
**All Now we share in your resurrection.**

Presider Live in us,  
**All that we may live in you.**

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

### **COMMUNION**

*All are welcome to receive Communion in one kind  
(Bread/Wafer)*

*or in both kinds (Bread/Wafer and Wine).*

*Please sanitize your hands before receiving.*

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

*While Communion is being shared, please keep the silence.*

*Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.*

*Communion is not recorded or livestreamed for worshippers' privacy.*

### **COMMUNION HYMN: Now the Green Blade Rises (CP 237)**

Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,  
wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain;  
love lives again, that with the dead has been;  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain,  
thinking that he would never wake again,  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
your touch can call us back to life again,  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Presider      Life-giving God,  
**All**            **in the mystery of Christ's resurrection**  
                  **you send light to conquer darkness,**  
                  **water to give new life,**  
                  **and the bread of life to nourish your**  
                  **people.**  
                  **Send us forth as witnesses of Christ's**  
                  **resurrection,**  
                  **so that we may show your love to all the**  
                  **world,**  
                  **through the risen Christ we pray. Amen.**

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## **SENDING**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS** – A Churchwarden

## **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.**

## **BLESSING**

Presider God the Father,  
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,  
open to you who believe  
the gates of everlasting life.

**All Amen.**

Presider God the Son,  
who in bursting the grave  
has won a glorious victory,  
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

**All Amen.**

Presider God the Holy Spirit,  
whom the risen Lord breathed into his  
disciples,  
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

**All Amen.**

Presider And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN: Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (CP 203)**

Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, alleluia!  
who did once, upon the cross, alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heavenly King, alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, alleluia!  
our salvation have procured; alleluia!  
now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!  
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

## DISMISSAL

*Presider*      Go – love wholeheartedly.  
Live as you were created  
and be instruments of God’s peace  
in the world.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**



### **Thank you for ministering this morning:**

<b>Presider</b>	The Rev. Sarah Lehman
<b>Music</b>	Rob Gloor & the Choir
<b>Greeters</b>	Gillian Holland and Marion Porter
<b>Readers</b>	John Luccock and Janet Benjamin
<b>Eucharistic</b>	
<b>Ministers</b>	Vivian McGie and Alison Watt
<b>Coffee &amp; Cake</b>	Penny Zuk
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Vivian McGee
<b>Livestream</b>	Ashkon Vahedi
<b>Sunday School</b>	Shaunti Bains

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# Easter Flower Dedications

Our beautiful flowers today have been given by

Sheila Baldock and Gail Stone

*Flowers are given to the Glory of God and  
in loving memory of Lionel and Marjorie Baldock*

Rhonda and Billy Garton

*in dedication to mothers everywhere*

John and Heather Luccock

*in thanksgiving for wonderful family and friends*

Monica MacDonald

*in loving memory of my parents Roy and Peggy Macdonald  
and my godparents Ted and Phyllis Alexander*

Lois MacGregor

*remembering family and friends with love and thanksgiving*

Marion Porter

*remembering my parents, Albert and Kathleen Gibault*

In all our hearts

*in loving memory of Janet Morris*

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