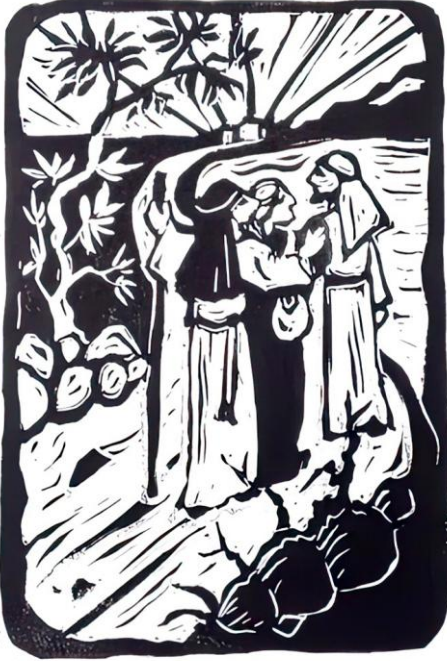


Open To The Light
ST Catherines
ANGLICAN CHURCH



Sunday, April 19, 2026
Third Sunday of Easter

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.

GATHERING

Welcome The Rev. José Luis Aranda

Please rise, in body or in spirit

Presider 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.**

GLORIA (CP 376)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia. [repeat]

Presider 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.**

GATHERING HYMN:

O PRAISE YE THE LORD (CP 330)

O praise ye the Lord! Give praise in the height:
rejoice in God's word, ye angels of light.
ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,
and worship before him in brightness arrayed.

O praise ye the Lord! Give praise upon earth:
in tuneful accord, give thanks for new birth;
praise God who hath brought you all grace from above.
praise God who hath taught you the pathways of love.

O praise ye the Lord, all things that give sound;
each jubilant chord re-echo around.
loud organs, God's glory proclaim in deep tone,
and sweet harp, the story of what God hath done.

O praise yet the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
be ever outpoured all ages along;
for love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

THE COLLECT

Presider

Let us pray.

All

**O God, your Son
made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread.
Open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him
in his redeeming work,
who is alive and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Leader I believed, even when I said,
 "I have been brought very low."
People In my distress I said, "No one can be trusted."
Leader How shall I repay you, O Lord,
 for all the good things you have done for me?
People **I will lift up the cup of salvation
 and call upon your name.**

Leader I will fulfil my vows to the Lord
 in the presence of all the people.
People **Precious in your sight, O Lord
 is the death of your servants.**

Leader O Lord, I am your servant;
 I am your servant
Leader and the child of your handmaid;
 you have freed me from my bonds.
All **I will offer you the sacrifice
 of thanksgiving
 and call upon the name of the Lord.**

SECOND READING: 1 PETER 1:17-23

Reader *A reading from the first letter of Peter*

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love,

love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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

GOSPEL HYMN: CHRIST SOPHIA (SNC 150)

Christ Sophia, Child of Wisdom:
dancing in our deepest dreams,
calling us to love unbounded,
daring us to God's extremes --
peace and gentleness and justice,
kingdom values, wisdom's themes,
kingdom values, wisdom's themes.

Brother Jesus, Child of Mary:
walking with us on life's way,
showing us God's humble kingdom,
sharing both dark night and day,
breaking through death's seeming ending,
into new life's dawning ray,
into new life's dawning ray.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 24:13-35

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Luke
People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were

kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying,

"The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"
Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he
had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL HYMN CONTINUED (SNC 150)

God incarnate, our true mother,
birthing us to joy and pain,
showing us the steps to dance to,
loving us to life again:
grow us into your true image
as we arrive for your loves' reign,
as we strive for your love's reign.

HOMILY The Rev. José Luis Aranda

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Presider Let us affirm our faith, saying,

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.**

All **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

RECONCILIATION

Presider 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.

Presider 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.**

All **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. Amen.**

Presider 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.

People **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".*

OFFERTORY

To give a gift to support the ministry of St. Catherine's Church, offertory plates are available in the front of the church and at the entrances/exits. If this is your first time here, there is no need to make a gift: notice your blessings and make a gift in thanksgiving when you return.



Use of one of the envelopes provided for your gift. Donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt if you include your name and address OR scan this QR code with your smartphone to donate through Canada Helps and receive your receipt by email.

COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE:

GOD WHO GIVES TO LIFE ITS GOODNESS (CP 428)

God who gives to life its goodness,
God creator of all joy,
giver of all human freedom,
God who blesses tool and toy:
teach us now to laugh and praise you,
deep within your praises sing,
till the whole creation dances
for the goodness of its King.

God who fills the earth with beauty,
God who binds each friend to friend,
giver of all human talent,
God who wills that chaos end:
grant us now creative spirits,
minds responsive to your mind,
hearts and wills your rule extending,
all our acts by loved refined.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider

Let us pray.

All

**Blessed are you, O God,
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 3)

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
with the fellowship of saints
and the company of heaven,
we glorify your holy name,
evermore praising you and singing,

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.**

Presider We praise you, merciful Father,
not as we ought, but as we are able,
because in your tender love
you gave the world your only Son,
in order that the world
might be saved through him.

Presider

He made you known
by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick,
liberating the oppressed,
reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross,
he confronted the power of sin
and disarmed it for ever.
In his offering of himself,
he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.
Redeemed by Christ,
we have been adopted as your children;
by your pardon you have made us
worthy to praise you.

On the night he was betrayed,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, gave it to them,
and said, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine,
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them, 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.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Presider In obedience to him and with grateful hearts
we approach your holy table,
remembering our Saviour's sacrifice,
and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his
sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

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

Presider Send your Holy Spirit on us
that as we receive this bread and this cup
we may partake of the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and feed on him in our hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

May we be renewed in his risen life,
filled with love,
and strengthened in our will to serve others;
and make of our lives, we pray,
a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you,
knitting us together as one
in your Son Jesus Christ,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honour and glory, now and forever.

People **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

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 that we may live in you.

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 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.

Standing and kneeling at the rail are both acceptable postures, and Communion will be brought to the seats of those with mobility challenges.

If you would prefer not to receive Communion, but would like to receive a blessing, please approach the rail with your hands crossed on your chest.

While Communion is being shared, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence or join the singing. Communion is not recorded or livestreamed for worshippers' privacy. Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

COMMUNION MUSIC:

EAT THIS BREAD, DRINK THIS CUP (CP 63)

Refrain: Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.

Cantor/Choir: I am the bread of life,
the true bread sent from the Father.

[Refrain]

Cantor/Choir: Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,
but this is the bread come down from heaven.

[Refrain]

Cantor/Choir: Eat my flesh and drink my blood,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

[Refrain]

Cantor/Choir: Anyone who eats this bread,
will live for ever.

[Refrain]

Cantor/Choir: If you believed and eat this bread,
you will have eternal life.

[Refrain]

JESUS, REMEMBER ME (CP 634)

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom,
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

***All* Author of life divine,
in the breaking of bread
we know the risen Lord.
Feed us always in these mysteries,
that we may show your glory
to all the world.
We ask this in the name
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: A Churchwarden

THE 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 The Rev. José Luis Aranda

SENDING HYMN: TELL OUT, MY SOUL (CP 362)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his Word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name - the Lord, the mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight;
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and forevermore!

DISMISSAL

Presider 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:

Presider:	The Rev. José Luis Aranda
Accompanist:	Hey-Jung Oh
Altar Guild:	Bonnie Grundy
Greeters:	Tony Dodd & Gillian Holland
Eucharistic Administrator:	Gillian Holland and Elizabeth Barratt
Intercessor:	Bonnie Grundy
Readers:	Cathy Davidson and Vivian McGie
Coffee Group:	Penny Zuk, Susana Wensley and Ivy Howes
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