

Open To The Light
ST Catherines
ANGELICAN CHURCH



Sunday, August 9, 2026
Holy Eucharist
Pentecost 11

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. Angus Stuart

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.

All **May we be ministers of the reconciling love of the Risen Christ.**

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

GLORIA (CP 376)

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

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 he gently bears us,
rescues us from 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, teach us adoration:
you behold God face to face;
sun and moon bow and all creation,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia, praise with us the God of grace.

THE COLLECT

Presider

Let us pray.

All

**Almighty God,
you sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church.
Open our hearts
to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the
Spirit in love, joy, and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: GENESIS 37:1-4, 12-28

Reader

A reading from Genesis

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found

him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" - that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Reader
All

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45C

Led by Penny Zuk

Leader Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name; make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.

***People* Sing to the Lord, sing praises, and speak of all the marvellous works of the Lord.**

Leader Glory in the holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

***People* Search for the strength of the Lord; continually seek the face of God.**

Leader Remember the marvels the Lord has done, the wonders and the judgements of the mouth of the Lord,

***People* offspring of Abraham the servant of God, O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.**

Leader Then God called for a famine in the land and destroyed the supply of bread.

***People* The Lord sent a man before them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave**

Leader They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar.

***People* Until his prediction came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him.**

Leader The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free.

***People* He set him as master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions,**

Leader to instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom.

People **that they might keep your statutes and
observe your laws. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: ROMANS 10:5-15

Reader *A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans*

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him?

And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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

GOSPEL HYMN:

PRECIOUS LORD, TAKE MY HAND (CP 509)

Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near:
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest, I fall:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 14:22-33

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 Christ.**

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said,

"Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL HYMN continued (CP 509)

When the darkness appears and the night draws near, and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand: guide my feet, hold my hand: take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

HOMILY *The Rev. Angus Stuart*

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

President 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

A//

**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

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

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
against God and our neighbours,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Presider God of all mercy,

All we confess
that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness
in each other, in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in our love
and serve only your will. 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.

All Amen.

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

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end receipt for donations of \$20.00 or more.
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COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE:

ALL WHO HUNGER (SNC 30)

All who hunger, gather gladly:
holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering.
Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is Good.

All who hunger, never strangers,
seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered
in communion's love have stood.
Take and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together:
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider Let us pray.

All **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. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
for the gift of a world full of wonder,
and for our life which comes from you.
By your power you sustain the universe.

People **Glory to you forever and ever.**

Presider You created us to love you with all our heart,
and to love each other as ourselves,
but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

In Jesus, your Son,
you bring healing to our world
and gather us into one great family.
Therefore, with all you serve you
on earth and in heaven,
we praise your wonderful name, as we sing,

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.**

Presider

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father,
Because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us,
You showed us how much you love us.
He cares for the poor and the hungry
He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back
but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he
defeated the power of sin and death.

By raising him from the dead
you show us the power of your love
to bring new life to all your people.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider

On the night before he gave up his life for us,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them,
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you."

Presider After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which is shed for you and for many,
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me."

***People* Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider Gracious God,
with this bread and wine
we celebrate the death and resurrection of
Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.
Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,
that we may know the presence of Jesus
in the breaking of the bread,
and share in the life
of the family of your children.

***People* Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider Father, you call us to be your servants;
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that all the world may gather in joy
at the table of your kingdom.
We sing your praise, almighty Father,
through Jesus, our Lord,
in the power of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

***People* Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen**

LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung):*

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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 We break this bread to share in the body of Christ
All **We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

THE INVITATION

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 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.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available on request to the priest.
While Communion is being shared, please 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:

JESUS, TO YOUR TABLE LED (SGP 15)

Jesus, to your table led,
now let ev'ry heart be fed
with the true and living bread.

When we taste the mystic wine,
of your outpoured blood the sign,
fill our hearts with love divine.

While upon your cross we gaze,
mourning o'er our sinful ways,
turn our sadness into praise.

Draw us to your wounded side,
whence there flowed the healing tide;
there our sins and sorrows hide.

From the bonds of sin release;
cold and wav'ring faith increase;
Lamb of God, grant us your peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider

Let us pray.

All

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. 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. Angus Stuart

SENDING HYMN:

BE THOU MY VISION (CP 505)

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art —
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be though my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, thine own may I be,
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

Riches I heed not, nor the world's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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. Angus Stuart
Accompanist	Hey-Jung Oh
Altar Guild	Bonnie Grundy
Greeters	Marthe Duncombe, Bob Paxton
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