Open To The Light

St Catherines

ANGLICAN CHURCH



Sunday, November 22, 2026

Holy Eucharist

The Last Sunday after Pentecost:
Reign of Christ & St. Catherine's Day

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:
BLESSED FEASTS OF BLESSED MARTYRS (CP 284)

Blessed feasts of blessed martyrs,
holy women, holy men,
with our love and admiration,
greet we your return again.
Worthy deeds are theirs, and wonders,
worthy of the name they bore;
we, with joyful praise and singing,
honour them for evermore.

Faith prevailing, hope unfailing,
loving Christ with single heart,
thus they, glorious and victorious
bravely bore the martyr's part
by contempt of every anguish,
by unyielding battle done;
victors at the last, they triumph,
with the host of angels one.

Therefore, all that reign in glory,
strong and sure with Christ on high,
join to ours your supplication
when before him we draw nigh,
praying that, this life completed,
all its fleeting moments past,
by his grace we may be worthy
of eternal bliss at last.

WORDS OF WELCOME *The Rev. Sarah Lehman*

Presider In this time and place we gather
on the ancestral lands
of the Squamish, Musqueam
and Tsleil-Watuth nations.

All **From many places and peoples
we come to this house of prayer.**

Presider In this time and place
we meet in the presence of the living God,

All **the living God who creates us
and all that is.**

Presider In this time and place
the risen Christ stands in our midst,

All **the risen Christ who accompanies us
and all people.**

Presider In this time and place
God's Holy Spirit breathes in and through us.

All **The Holy Spirit who transforms us
and all life.**

Presider In this time and place

together, one people of God

All **In the name of God, Source of all being,**
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE GREETING

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]

THE COLLECT

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son,
our Lord and King,

All **grant that the peoples of the earth,**
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: **EZEKIEL 34:11-16, 20-24**

Reader *A reading from Ezekiel*

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 100
Led by Billy Garton

Leader Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

People **serve the Lord with gladness and come into the divine presence with a song.**

Leader Know this: the Lord, the Lord, is God;
the One made us and to whom we belong;

People **we are God's people,**
the sheep of God's pasture.

Leader Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving;
go into these courts with praise;

People **give thanks to God**
and call upon the name of the Lord.

Leader For the Lord is good,
whose steadfast love is everlasting;

People **and whose faithfulness endures**
from age to age.

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 1:15-23

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

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all

things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN: FAITH OF OUR FATHERS (VU 580)

Faith of our fathers! Living still
in spite of dungeon, fire and sword.
O how our hearts beat high with joy
whene'er we hear that glorious word:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

The martyrs, chained in prisons dark,
were still in heart and conscience free;
And blest would be their children's fate,
if they, like them should die for thee:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 25:31-46

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will

separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

GOSPEL HYMN (continued)

Faith of our fathers! We will love
both friend and foe in all our strife,

and preach thee, too, as love knows how
by kindly words and virtuous life.
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

HOMILY *The Most Rev. John Stephens*

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Curate 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.
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.

Curate 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.

Curate 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. 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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COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE: FOR ALL THE SAINTS (CP 276)

For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day --
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl, streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider Let us pray.

Eternal God,
by your grace you have raised us up
and enthroned us with Christ
in the heavenly realms.

All **Receive all we offer you this day,
and lead us in those good works
for which you have created us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the
Lord. Amen.**

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 It is right to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider At your command all things came to be:
the vast expanse of interstellar space,
galaxies, suns, the planets in their
courses, and this fragile earth, our island
home; by your will they were created and
have their being.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider From the primal elements
you brought forth the human race,
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;
you made us the stewards of creation.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider But we turn against you, and betray your trust;
and we turn against one another.
Again and again you call us to return.
Through the prophets and sages
you reveal your righteous law.
In the fullness of time you sent your Son,
born of a woman, to be our Saviour.
He was wounded for our transgressions,
and bruised for our iniquities.
By his death he opened to us the way of
freedom and peace.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Presider Therefore we praise you,
joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,
and with those in every generation
who have looked to you in hope,
to proclaim with them your glory,
in their unending hymn:

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 Blessed are you, Lord our God,
for sending us Jesus, the Christ,
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread, said the blessing,
broke the bread, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Take this, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup of wine;
he 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 people
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Presider Gracious God,
we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ,
we proclaim his resurrection and ascension,
and we look with expectation for his coming
as Lord of all the nations.
We who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the Spirit,
now bring you these gifts.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this offering of your Church,
that we who eat and drink at this holy table may
share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

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

Presider Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth
and make it your new creation.
Gather your Church together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
where peace and justice are revealed,
that we, with all your people,
of every language, race, and nation,
may share the banquet you have promised;

through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all
honour and glory are yours,
creator of all.

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

Communion is offered in one kind (Bread), or in both kinds (Bread and Wine). Gluten-free wafers are available on request to the priest.
Please sanitize your hands before receiving.
Please do not intinct (dip) the Bread in the cup.

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:
O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING (VU 326)

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy Name.

Jesus! the Name that charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.
Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given

by saints below and saints above
the Church in earth and heaven.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Presider Let us pray.

All **Almighty God,**
you have made us a royal priesthood
in the kingdom of your Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Make known his victory through us,
we pray, that all the world may see his light.
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.

EPISCOPAL BLESSING *The Most Rev. John Stephens*

SENDING HYMN:
CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS (CP 378)

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing who died and reigns on high,
who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer
and praise.
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

DISMISSAL

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

Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship with Archbishop John at the back of the church.

Thank you for ministering this morning:

Presider & Preacher	The Most Rev. John Stephens, *Archbishop of the Diocese of New Westminster, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon*
Priest-in-Charge and Curate	The Rev. Sarah Lehman
Bishop's Chaplain	Vivian McGie
Crucifer & Tapers	Susana Wensley, Lincoln and Lochlan Holland
Accompanist	Rob Gloor
Altar Guild	Vivian McGie, Susana Wensley
Greeters	Gillian Holland, Marion Porter
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