

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Lent 4



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A SERVICE OF THE WORD

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.

Presider Let us pray.
We thank you, O God,
that you have again called us to prayer
on the Lord's Day to praise you
for your goodness and to ask your blessing.
Give us grace to see your hand
in the week that is past,
and your purpose in the week to come;
through Christ our Lord.

ALL Amen.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Presider Dear friends in Christ,
As we turn our hearts and minds
to worship almighty God,
let us confess our sins.

**ALL Most merciful God,
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 Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and forever.

ALL Amen.

Hymn: **How Sweet the Name of Jesus sounds (CP 620), v. 1, 2, 5**

**How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,
And drives away our fear.**

**It makes the wounded spirit whole,
And calms the troubled breast;
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,
And to the weary rest.**

**Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend,
My prophet, priest, and king,
My Lord, my life, my way, my end,
Accept the praise I bring.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider Holy God, in Jesus Christ you reveal yourself to the world, even when we are blind to your grace. Open our eyes to see your transforming love in our midst, so that we may see your world anew; through Jesus Christ, the Saviour who shows compassion.

ALL Amen.

PSALM 23

Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd, nothing shall I want.

Lord, you are my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where you give me repose.
Near restful waters you lead me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

You guide me along the right path; You are true to your name.
If I should walk in the valley of the darkness no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my
life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R.**

Refrain: The Lord is my shepherd, nothing shall I want.

GOSPEL: John 9: 1-41

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Reader: A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus
Christ according to John.

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

Today's Gospel can be found here:

<https://lectionary.anglican.ca/nrsv/?date=2020-03-22>

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

ALL: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Reflection by Rev. Daniel Fournier

Hymn: **Healer of Our Every Ill (CP 612), v. 1 and 3**

*Refrain: Healer of our every ill,
Light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear,
And hope beyond our sorrow.*

**You who know our fears and sadness,
Grace us with your peace and gladness,
Spirit of all comfort: fill our hearts. Refrain**

**Give us strength to love each other,
Every sister, every brother,
Spirit of all kindness: be our guide. Refrain**

Refrain: **Healer of our every ill,
Light of each tomorrow,
Give us peace beyond our fear,
And hope beyond our sorrow.**

Presider Let us confess the 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful,
we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

Let us pray to God,
who alone makes us dwell in safety:

For all who are affected by coronavirus, through illness or
isolation or anxiety, that they may find relief and recovery:

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who are guiding our nation at this time,
and shaping national policies,

that they may make wise decisions:

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For doctors, nurses and medical researchers,
that through their skill and insights
many will be restored to health:

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who are vulnerable and fearful,
for those who are gravely ill or dying,
that they may know your comfort and peace:

Lord, hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

God of insight, open the hearts
of the church and the world
to all who testify to your deeds of power.

Raise up voices in your church that are often silenced
or overlooked due to age, gender expression,
race or economic status.

We pray to you, Lord

Lord, hear our prayer.

God of insight, empower us to care for the land
and all living things that dwell in it and beneath it.
Provide rich soil for crops to grow.
Bring rain to lands suffering drought.
Protect hills and shorelines
from damage caused by erosion.
We pray to you, Lord
Lord, hear our prayer.

God of insight, bring peace to all people and nations.
Anoint leaders who seek goodness, righteousness,
and truth on behalf of all. Frustrate the efforts of those
who would seek to cause violence or terror.
We pray to you, Lord
Lord, hear our prayer.

God of insight, help this congregation lift up
the unique gifts of each person,
no matter their physical capacity, cognitive ability,
or sensory need. Help us to be creative and brave
in making our ministries accessible to all.
We pray to you, Lord
Lord, hear our prayer.

God of insight, you call out to those who are asleep
and awaken them to new life with you.
We give thanks for your saints (*especially St Luke*).
Join us together with them as your children
in this world and the next.
We pray to you, Lord
Lord, hear our prayer.

According to your steadfast love, O God,
hear these and all our prayers
as we commend them to Intercessions.

THE PRAYER OF ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

ALL **Almighty God,**
you have given us grace at this time
with one accord to make
our common supplications to you,
and you have promised
through your well-beloved Son
that when two or three are gathered together
you will hear their requests.
Fulfill now our desires and petitions,
as may be best for us,
granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,
and in the age to come eternal life;
for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify
you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the
Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
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 for ever. Amen.

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.**

Presider May the Hope of God fill us with all joy and peace
in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

ALL Amen.

Hymn: **Amazing Grace (CP 352), v. 1, 3, 5**

**Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found:
Was blind, but now I see.**

**The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.**

Organ Postlude – Improvisation on *Amazing Grace*
(Susanne Reul-Zastre)

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE we pray for the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui - The Most Rev. Paul Kwong - Archbishop of Hong Kong Shen Kung Hui & Bishop of Hong Kong Island. **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray** for Logan, our Bishop and for the Parish of St. Philip, Oak Bay and their priest, Christopher Page. **We pray** for the Territory of the People Anglican Church, for Bishop Barbara Andrews, and for Bishop-Elect, Lincoln McKoen. **This month we pray** for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen, for its Program Director, Board members, volunteers, and the people it serves by creating opportunities for those living on a low income to cook, grow, share, and connect for improved health and well-being.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – March 22-28

(New Items, *Revised Items)**

****Church Closed – All Events Cancelled** – On March 16th Bishop Logan McMenamie ordered all churches in the diocese closed for all public use, including worship, for sixty (60) days effective immediately.

****Please join us every Sunday** on your electronic device (computer, phone, ipad, etc.) to watch our weekly liturgical service which will be posted at St. Luke's Facebook page (you don't have to be a Facebook member to watch) and at St Luke's website (www.stlukesvictoria.ca).

****St. Luke's Office is Closed**, with the exception of basic essential operations in the maintenance of the business of the church. Bonnie and Daniel will be available by phone calls to the office (250-477-6741) or e-mails (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) or (incumbent@stlukecedarhill.ca).

****Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church** – During this time when we are not able to gather together physically for worship, it is still important that we continue to support the ongoing ministry of St. Luke's Church. If you are not signed for the electronic collection plate (ECP), signing up now is an excellent opportunity for you to ensure your regular contribution is available for the work of the church. Please contact Barb Prescott by e-mail (communications@stlukecedarhill.ca) or through the parish office (250-477-6741) and she will help you set this up.

****Donations in the mail or through Canada Helps are also very welcome** – If you regularly give by putting your envelope in the collection plate, we would ask you to please mail a cheque instead during this time. St. Luke's mailing address is 3821 Cedar Hill Cross Rd., Victoria, BC V8P 2M6. Offerings received this way will be counted and deposited regularly and added to your envelope donations. Donations may also be made through Canada Helps. Use the Donate Now button on the top menu of the website. Please also refer to the Ways to Donate page at our website

(www.stlukesvictoria.ca) for more information. Choose St. Luke's At Home, then Ways To Donate During This Time.

***Support for the Shelbourne Community Kitchen** – We are looking for ways to continue to support the Shelbourne Community Kitchen Pantry Program through this time. Watch for more information regarding dropping off needed items. Meanwhile monetary donations to the Kitchen are appreciated. You may make a donation by writing a cheque payable to St. Luke's noting that the donation is for the Kitchen or by going online to the Kitchen's website (<https://shelbournecommunitykitchen.ca/>) and making a donation via Canada Helps.

***Any Further Submissions for St. Luke's Prescription?** – We are still planning to produce an Easter Prescription, although most copies will be distributed electronically. If you have any last-minute submissions, please send them by e-mail to St. Luke's Office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca), or to Sharon McMillan (prescription@stlukecedarhill.ca).

****Check out St. Luke's Website** – We now have a new section called "St. Luke's at Home" on the right side of the main menu, where we will share information during this time of being St. Luke's in a different way, in our homes. Please check out the resources there and feel free to send comments and suggestions to Barb Prescott at communications@stlukecedarhill.ca

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We hope you will visit again!

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WEEKLY LITURGICAL SERVICE:

Sunday Facebook or
St. Luke's website (www.stlukesvictoria.ca)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 29:

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Psalm 130

1 Romans 8: 6-11

John 11: 1-45
