

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Third Sunday after Pentecost
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Organ Prelude: *Ruhig Bewegt* from Sonata 2 by Paul Hindemith

Welcome, Absolution and Confession
(The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Priest: Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Loving God, we have come to worship you.
Help us to pray to you in faith,
to sing your praise with gratitude,
and to listen to your word with eagerness;
through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Invitation to Confession

Priest: Let us pause and reflect on the ways of God,
revealed in Christ Jesus,
and call to mind the times that
we have turned away
and followed other paths.

Prayer Of Confession

**All: God who creates the future,
you call us to follow you,
yet we confess we prefer
to remain where we are.
You offer us new beginnings,
yet we continue to make
same familiar choices.
You invite us into the fullness of life,
yet we distance ourselves from you
and each other through fear and doubt.
Forgive us, O God.
Rouse us by your Spirit
to be intentional, courageous disciples**

**even when the world does not welcome us
or the word we proclaim in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

Absolution:

Priest: May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Hymn of Praise: CP 501
Through All the Changing Scenes of Life
(v. 1, 4, 6; *tune: St. Wiltshire*)

**Through all the changing scenes of life,
in trouble and in joy,
the praises of my God shall still
my heart and tongue employ.**

**O make but trial of God's love;
experience will decide
how blest and favoured are they all
who in this love confide.**

**To Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
the God whom we adore
be glory, as it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.**

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.
Creator God,
from you every family
in heaven and earth takes its name.

You have rooted and grounded us
in your covenant love,
and empowered us by your Spirit
to speak the truth in love,
and to walk in your way
towards justice and wholeness.
Mercifully grant that your people,
journeying together in partnership,
may be strengthened and guided
to help one another to grow
into the full stature of Christ,
who is our light and our life. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20: 7-13
Reader: Sylvia Sinclair

Reader: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

The reading can be found here:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=147>

(Note – Scroll down to reading)

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 69: 7-10 (11-15) Refrain

Ps. 69 Michel Guimont

Lord, in your great love, an-swer me.

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 10: 24-39
Reader: Stephen Ruttan

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: A reading from the Holy Gospel
according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=147>

At the end of the gospel:

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Hymn: CP 431 Take Up Your Cross

(v. 1, 5; tune: Breslau)

**Take up your cross, the Saviour said,
if you would my disciple be;
deny yourself, the world forsake,
and humbly follow after me.**

**Take up your cross and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.**

Priest: Let us share in this Statement of Faith from the
New Zealand Prayer Book

**All: You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be
your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal;
you overcame death.
You are our God.
We worship you. Amen.**

The Prayers:

God of compassion and courage,
In our weakness you are strength.
In our darkness you are light.
In our sorrows you are comfort and peace.
Embrace each situation we remember
in our prayers this day with your steadfast love.
God of love
Hear our prayer.

We thank you for moments of joy
that still break into our lives,
even in the strange times of pandemic
and re-opening of our communities:
for unexpected expressions of thoughtfulness and kindness,
for friends who furnish our life with meaning and happiness,
and for family who embrace us with love and understanding.
May each of us work together for the good of all
during these times of transition
and increasing contact with one another.
God of love
Hear our prayer.

On this Father's Day,
we give thanks for all caring and faithful fathers;
and those who came into our lives as father figures.
We remember fathers who have died,
and commend them to your never-ending love.
Be with those whose memories are painful or difficult,
fathers who are cut off from their families,
and fathers who grieve the loss of their children.
God of love
Hear our prayer.

God of the nations
We pray for our country
and countries around this world
so deeply affected by COVID-19.
Guide leaders to make wise decisions
about reopening communities,
and give patience and courage
to those whose lives have been disrupted,
especially those who fear what the future holds.
God of love
Hear our prayer.

God of inclusion,
wherever injustice rules and misinformation confuses,
protect people who are vulnerable
and shine the light of your truth
to reveal the path to justice and renewed hope.
We pray for wisdom and discernment for leaders
as they hear the cries of people seeking inclusion
and equality throughout the world.
Give us each the courage to choose actions
that lead to wholeness and healing for all people.
Open our eyes to seek ways to bring comfort
to those who are hurting.
God of love
Hear our prayer.

God of life,
we pray for our church,
and for the leaders of this congregation
as they take steps to put into place
all that is necessary for us
to come back together for worship.
Give them stamina and energy,
vision and wisdom as they work together
in the days and weeks ahead.

God of love

Hear our prayer.

God of hope,
we pray for ourselves and those we love.
Our hearts carry concerns and cares,
and in the silence, we open them up to your healing touch
(*silence*)

Surround those for whom we pray
with the peace of your presence,
and strengthen us all in hope.

God of love,

Hear our prayer.

Gracious God, receive our prayers,
words spoken and unspoken,
and in your love,
shelter and guide us throughout the week ahead.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: In the words that Jesus 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 forever.
Amen.**

Priest: 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.**

The Blessing

Priest: Send us anywhere you would have us go,
only go there with us.
Place upon us any burden you desire,
Only stand by us to sustain us.
Break any tie that binds us,
except the tie that binds us to you.
And the blessing of God;
the Creator, who made and knows us;
the Saviour, who redeems and befriends us;
and the Spirit, who enlightens and sustains us,
be with you this day and always.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 371 To God be the Glory
(v. 1, 3; *tune: To God be the Glory*)

**To God be the glory,
who great things has done!
God so loved the world,
freely sending the Son,**

who yielded his life
an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate
that all may go in.

Refrain: **Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!**
Let the earth hear God's voice.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father
through Jesus the Son,
And give God the glory,
who great things has done.

Great things God has taught us,
great things God has done,
and great our rejoicing
through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher
and greater will be
Our wonder, our gladness
when Jesus we see! *Refrain*

Dismissal

Priest: In the name of the Light that came into the world
go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude: *Praeludium, Fuga and Andante con moto*
from BuxWV 149 by D. Buxtehude

St. Luke's relies on donations to keep offering these services while our doors are closed. You can make a gift by:

- Cheque (mail, drop off at the hall, or have it picked up)
- Credit Card (Canada Helps)
- Electronic Collection Plate (automatic debit)

Please visit the DONATE page at St. Luke's website for more information. Thank you for your donations.

Thank you to the Worship Team Members for this Sunday Service: Presider and Intercessions: Rev. Daniel Fournier and Joan Scandrett; Readers: Sylvia Sinclair and Stephen Ruttan; Musicians: Daniel Fournier, Sharon McMillan, Susanne Reul-Zastre, Matthew Robertson, Maria Ross, and Joan Scandrett; Directing Service Framework, Planning Visual and Audio Elements of the Service: Daniel Fournier and Joan Scandrett; Online Video Production and Posting at Facebook: Daniel Fournier; Service Outline: Susanne Reul-Zastre, Daniel Fournier, Sharon McMillan, and Barb Prescott; Posting at the Website: Barb Prescott; Hymn Text Slides: Sharon McMillan; Member-at-Large: Maria Ross.

THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS – June 22 - 27
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

Spiritual Gathering Group – Online via Zoom Thursdays from 10 am to 11 am. Every Thursday morning bring your coffee and join us for a time of prayer, discussion and meditation on the topic of '*What It Means to be Anglican.*' For more information, visit the Events page of St. Luke's website or e-mail Leslie at [programdirector@stlukecedar hill.ca](mailto:programdirector@stlukecedarhill.ca).

Our annual Amazing Journey Day Camp will be online this year! Lots of our camp traditions will be happening in new and fun ways: games, crafts, music, and Bible stories! The program is for children who have completed Grades 1 to 5. This online morning program will be held July 6th to July 10th from 10 - 11

am. **Registration is open until Friday, June 26th.** Please visit **the News page of St. Luke's website** for more information.

Thrifty Foods Smile Cards – Thank you to everyone who has been using their Smile Cards. **This year's Thrifty's Smile Card Fundraiser Program has now started.** This year the money will go towards repairing some of our rock walls.

***The Pop-Up Plant Sale** – Donations to the Pop Up Plant Sale continue to arrive from people who picked up some of the leftover plants or who weren't able to attend the Plant Sale. The Pop Up Plant Sale donations to date now total \$1,335.55!

***St. Luke's Spring Fair Fund** – Thank you for continuing to make your regular donations and for your extra donations to the Spring Fair Fund. **As of June 18th including the donations from the Plant Sale, we have received \$3,925.35 towards the Spring Fair Fund (56% of our way to raising \$7,000).** Let's see if we can make up the \$7,000 of income we are missing because we weren't able to hold our Spring Fair this year. If you are making a donation to the Spring Fair Fund, please note this on your envelope or your cheque, or choose Spring Fair Fund when you make a donation online through Canada Helps.

Thank You for your Support for the Ongoing Ministry of St. Luke's Church by writing a cheque, making a donation online through Canada Helps, and by signing up for ECP. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please refer to the **DONATE page** at the website for more information.

Your donations by cheque can be sent in the mail, dropped off at the parish office, or picked up from your home. To mail a donation to St. Luke's, please send it to: St. Luke's Church, 3821 Cedar Hill Cross Rd., Victoria, BC V8P 2M6. **If you would like your donation picked up, please call St. Luke's Office (250-477-6741)** to arrange for someone to pick up your donation.

Changes at St. Luke's Office – Due to COVID-19, and the subsequent closure of our church buildings, Parish Council

made the difficult decision to temporarily lay off our parish administrator in the middle of May. Bonnie will continue to receive her employment benefits during this time, and return to work as soon as it is feasible. In her absence, Daniel will be responding to messages left in the office. We hope that Bonnie is able to enjoy her time off from work, and we look forward to having her return in the near future.

While the office is closed, please leave a message on the office phone (250-477-6741) or e-mail (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) or Daniel's e-mail (incumbent@stlukecedarhill.ca). Phone messages and e-mails will be checked and responded to regularly.

Please join us every Sunday on your electronic device (computer, phone, iPad, etc.) to watch our weekly liturgical service. The service will be posted at the St Luke's website (www.stlukesvictoria.ca) and Facebook page (www.facebook.com/StLukeCedarHill). You don't have to be a Facebook member to access this link.

Thank You and An Update from Shelbourne Community Kitchen – The Shelbourne Community Kitchen team is excited to announce that the Kitchen's COVID-19 Urgent Food Support Fund officially raised \$32,115! The Kitchen Team sends their heart-felt thanks to everyone for their generous donations. See further information at the **News page of St. Luke's website**.

Cancelled: The 160th Anniversary Fundraising Concert that was planned for September has been cancelled. We hope to celebrate 161 years in 2021!

Thank You and An Update from ABCs and Rice – As you know, in other years we have supported the Rice for a Year program at ABCs and Rice in Siem Reap in Cambodia through a Fundraiser Tea and Silent Auction in September. This year, because we cannot gather in large groups, it is unlikely that we will be able to hold the tea this fall. But the need is still there and even greater now. **See thank you notes from the children and information at the News page of St. Luke's**

website regarding how you can make a donation to help the children and families of Siem Reap, Cambodia.

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion), the Most Rev. Henry Chukwudum Ndukuba - Metropolitan & Primate of all Nigeria & Bishop of Abuja. **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** the Very Rev. Ansley Tucker, the Diocesan Administrator; and for St. Andrew, Sidney and their clergy, Eric Partridge & Juli Mallett. **We pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon. **We also pray for** the Diocese of New Westminster and Archbishop Melissa Skelton.

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We hope you will visit again!

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St. Luke's Office is presently closed, but messages are checked every weekday.

Please leave a message on the phone or send an e-mail to the office and someone will get back to you.

Program Director: Leslie Flynn contact the office

Wardens: Sharon Hallsor
Sharon McMillan

WEEKLY LITURGICAL SERVICE:

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY June 28, 2020

Jeremiah 28: 5-9
Psalm 81: 1-4, 15-18
Romans 6: 12-23
Matthew 10: 40-42
