

Welcome to
St. Luke Cedar Hill

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 19, 2020



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Organ Prelude: Adoration from *Sonate Pascale*
by N.J. Lemmens

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: The gospel calls us to turn away from sin
and be faithful to Christ.
As we offer ourselves to him
in penitence and faith,
we renew our confidence
and trust in his mercy.
Let us confess to our God,
as we pray together, saying,

Prayer Of Confession

**All: God our Father,
long-suffering, full of grace and truth,
you create us from nothing
and give us life.
You give your faithful people
new life in the water of baptism.
You do not turn your face from us,
nor cast us aside.**

**We confess that we have sinned
against you and our neighbour.
We have wounded your love
and marred your image in us.
Restore us for the sake of your Son,
and bring us to heavenly joy,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Absolution:

Priest: May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: CP 344
From All that Dwell Below the Skies
(v. 1-2; tune: Lasst uns erfreuen)

**From all that dwell below the skies
Let the Creator's praise arise:
alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land, in every tongue:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!**

**Eternal are thy mercies, Lord:
Eternal truth attends thy Word;
alleluia, alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
till suns shall rise and set no more.
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia!**

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: O God, patient and forbearing,
strengthen our spirit when we are slow
and temper our zeal when we are rash,
so that in your own good time
you may produce in us a rich harvest
from the seed you have sown and tended;
through Jesus Christ,
the promise of a new creation. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: Wisdom of Solomon 12: 13, 16-19

Reader: Sean Tiernay

Reader: A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.

The reading can be found here:

<https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=1498>

(Note – Scroll down to reading)

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103

Refrain

The Lord is kind and mer-ci - ful, the
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THE GOSPEL: Matthew 13: 24-30, 36, 43

Reader: Merry Hallsor

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The gospel of Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The gospel can be found here:

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(Note – Scroll down to reading)

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 502 Bring Forth the Kingdom

(v. 1, 3; *tune: Bring Forth The Kingdom*)

**You are the salt for the earth, O people:
salt for the kingdom of God!**

**Share the flavour of life, O people:
life in the kingdom of God!**

Refrain: **Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,
bring forth the kingdom of peace;
bring forth the kingdom of justice,
bring forth the city of God.**

**You are a seed of the Word, O people:
bring forth the kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
grow in the kingdom of God! *Refrain***

Priest: Let us together share in this Statement of Faith that we find in 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 overcome death.
You are our God.
We worship you. Amen.

The Prayers:

God who is full of kindness and love,
hear our prayers for the world,
for one another, and for ourselves.

We offer prayers for the church around the world
in all its expressions, that its voice and acts of love
may be a source of inspiration and hope to all.
We ask your blessing on this congregation,
that we may be faithful and courageous
in the face of all challenges that arise day by day.

Guide the leaders of our congregation
as they work towards the opening of our church building.

God of love,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our world,
that in this time of anxiety about the future
there may be generosity for all who are in need.

Give leaders the will to choose mercy, justice, peace,
and understanding in the decisions they make
and in their relationships with other leaders.

God of love,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who work in fields and forests,
in mines and offices, in hospitals, schools and shops;
and we pray for those who cannot find work:

that as the economy is reorganized,
all who do work will be fairly treated
and those seeking work will not lose hope.

God of love,

Hear our prayer.

For those who travel by land, air and on water,
and for those on vacation, we pray.

As we learn to be together in new ways,
may we remember to make decisions
that are for the good of all,
and respect and follow guidelines put forward
by our governing bodies.

We pray for the safety for all communities
and the people who live in them
during this time of increased travel.

God of love,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for those who are closest to us
and for friendships that have stood the test of many years.

We pray for those we know who are sick
or going through times of difficulty,

and in this time of silence we name them...
Grant them the knowledge of your presence
and the assurance of your peace.

God of love

Hear our prayer.

God of love, receive all our prayers,
those spoken and those too deep for words,
and increase in us your gifts of hope and trust
as we pray this day in faith.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: In the words that 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.
And 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: May God, who gives patience
and encouragement,
give you a spirit of unity
to live in harmony as you follow Jesus Christ,
so that with one voice you may glorify
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ;
And may the blessing of the Holy One —
Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer —
rest with you now and forever more.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 598 Go to the World!

(v. 1-2, 4; *tune: Engelberg*)

**Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence
in each time and space.
Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you till the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry, "Amen!"
Alleluia!**

Dismissal

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Organ Postlude: Prelude in G-Major by C. Czerny

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: Sean Tierney and Merry Hallsor; 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 – July 20 – July 25
(New Items, *Revised Items)**

***Cleanup in St. Luke's Cemetery – THIS Saturday, July 25th,** from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. Please drop in any time that morning. The buildings are closed so please bring your own drinking water, gloves, and tools. Jobs to be done include picking up sticks on the graves, weeding, and pulling out the speargrass which is mixed in with the California poppies. Come to spend some time outside physically distancing and help clean up the cemetery. Hope to see you then.

Our annual Amazing Journey Day Camp was held online this year and was enjoyed by all who attended and helped.

Thanks to our campers, volunteers, clergy, and staff for making this journey amazing again this year! Visit the **News page of St. Luke's website** to view the end of camp video.

The Deadline for the Summer Issue of St. Luke's Prescription will be FRIDAY, August 7th – Please drop your submissions into St. Luke's mailbox, send them by e-mail to St. Luke's Office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca), or to Sharon McMillan (prescription@stlukecedarhill.ca). We'd love to receive your stories, poems, and photos. We'd like to hear how you were affected by the pandemic. Did it change what you usually do? A lot, not much? In what ways?

St. Luke's Garden Tour Pictures for Next Prescription – So many people have been working in their gardens this year. We are planning to have "Garden Tour" in the next Prescription showing pictures of your gardens. Please send your Garden Tour pictures to prescription@stlukecedarhill.ca Questions? Please talk to Sharon McMillan or Barb Prescott.

The Design for our 160th Anniversary T-Shirts has been chosen. Thank you to all those who submitted their wonderful creations! Please visit the **News page of St. Luke's website** for details.

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.

***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 July 13th including the donations from the Plant Sale, we have received \$4,269.35 towards the Spring Fair Fund (61% 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.

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

IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines - The Most Revd Joel Atiwag Pachao - Prime Bishop of the Philippines. **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** the Very Rev. Ansley Tucker, the Diocesan Administrator; and for St. John the Divine, Victoria - Alastair McCollum, Kevin Arndt, Bill Tarter, Grant Croswell, Patrick Sibley, & Stephanie Wood. **We pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyle and Pastor Lyndon. **We also pray for** the Diocese of Kootenay - Bishop Lynne McNaughton.

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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 July 26, 2020

1 Kings 3: 5-12

Psalm 119: 129-136

Romans 8: 26-39

Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52
