



October 25, 2020 10 am

Priest: The Reverend Sharon Smith
Music Director: Siiri Rebane
Administration: Natasha Stegemann
Wardens: Robb Watt, Gordon Lee, Heather Peacock

St. Catherine's Church Mission

A contemporary community of Christian seekers that welcomes others to join our 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** at St. Catherine's 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



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**Bulletin Cover: Artwork by Daniel Bonnell, Transcendence of A Child, 2012*

**Left side of church: Leviticus -- Love your Neighbour – By 17th-century Baroque artist Guido Reni*

**Right Side of church: Matthew -- I Am A Child of God – Howard Lyon*

SAINT CATHERINE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Anglican Church of Canada - Diocese of New Westminster

Situated on the unceded traditional Coast Salish territory
of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations

As you enter the church, a marshal can assist you as you light a votive candle to remember a person or situation that you carry on your heart. No other candles may be lit during or after the service.

Welcome & safety instructions: Rev. Sharon

Gathering of the Community (*Remain seated*)

Presider: We gather today on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, represented by the Squamish and Tsleil-Watuth Nations who have been custodians of these lands since time immemorial.

Let us pray.

Presider: Come all who are weary
**All: of wealth, of poverty, of power,
of struggle, of division.**

Presider: Come all who are heavy-laden
**All: with too much, with too little,
with anxiety, with fear, with anger.**

Presider: Come all who have hope
**All: for liberation, for peace, for freedom,
for the kingdom.**

Presider: Hear these words
All: "See, I am making all things new."

(from: I am making All things New, written by Rosie Venner)

Opening Hymn: Love Divine, all Loves Excelling

We invite you to remain seated and meditate on the music.

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us your humble dwelling,
All your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, you are all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love impart;
Visit us with your salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all your grace receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more your temples leave.
We would always give you blessing,
Serve you as your hosts above,
Pray, and praise you without ceasing,
Glory in your perfect love.

Finish then your new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see your great salvation,
Perfect in eternity:
Changed from glory into glory
Till in heaven we take our place,
There to sing salvation's story
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Please stand as you are able.

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:

Said by all: Glory to the holy, life-creating, and undivided Trinity, always, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Gloria! Sung by cantor

Prayer of the Day:

Presider: O Christ of the poor and the yearning
**All: Kindle in my heart within
a flame of love for my neighbour.
For my foe, for my friend, for my
From the humblest thing that lives,
to the Name that is highest of all.
Kindle in my heart within,
a flame of love, Amen.**

(Celtic Prayers from Iona - Justice and Peace)

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Leviticus 19: 1-2. 15-18

The Holiness Code in Leviticus urges people to be holy because God is holy. Holiness is lived out as God's people exercise justice and love in their dealings with one another; loving our neighbors as we love ourselves.

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

"Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD."

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1 *(Paraphrase by Nan Merrill)*

Pulpit Side: Blessed are those who walk hand in hand with goodness, who stand beside virtue, who sit in the seat of truth;

Piano Side: For their delight is in the Spirit of Love, and in Love's heart they dwell day and night.

Pulpit Side: They are like trees planted by streams of water, that yield fruit in due season, and their leaves flourish; And in all that they do, they give life.

Piano Side: The unloving are not so; they are like dandelions which the wind blows away.

Pulpit Side: Turning from the Heart of Love; they will know suffering and pain.

Piano Side: They will be isolated from wisdom; for Love knows the way of truth. Amen.

Second Reading: Written by Fr. Thomas Keating

(From: An invitation to Love)

The way of pure faith is to persevere in contemplative practice without worrying about where we are on the journey, and without comparing ourselves with others or judging other's gifts as better than ours. We can be spared all this nonsense if we surrender ourselves to the divine action, whatever the psychological content of our prayer may be.

In pure faith, the results are often hidden, even from those who are growing the most.... The divine light of faith is totally available in the degree that we consent and surrender ourselves to its presence and action within.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn – We Will Take What You Offer

We invite you to stand and meditate on the music.

We will take what you offer,
We will live by your word;
We will love one another
And be fed by you, Lord.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 34-46

Put on the spot by the Pharisees, Jesus displays wisdom by summarizing the law of God in just two commandments, now known as the Law of Love.

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 Jesus Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Presider: The Gospel of Christ

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Gospel Hymn (continued)

We will take what you offer,
We will live by your word;
We will love one another
And be fed by you, Lord.

Homily: Rev Sharon

Reflective silence follows

Affirmation of Faith

Presider: Moses said,

**All: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God,
the Lord is one.**

Presider: And Jesus affirmed:
**All: Love the Lord your God with
all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind,
And with all your strength.
This is the first and the great
commandment, the second is like it:
Love your neighbor as yourself.
There is no commandment greater
than these.**

All: Spirit of God, search our hearts.

Prayers of the People

Confession

Presider: Let us in silence remember our own faults
and failings.

Reflective silence follows.

Presider: In the community of Christ's Church and in the
presence of all God's people:

**All: We confess to God that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we
have left undone.
We have not loved God, cared for God's
world, or respected God's people as we
should. We own our responsibility and
pray for God's pardon.**

Presider: May God forgive us,
Christ befriend us, and
the Spirit renew and change our lives.
Amen.

(Adapted from the Book of Alternative Service)

The Passing of the Peace

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.
People: And also with you.

*The community, remaining at our seats, greet one another
saying or gesturing: 'Peace be with you'.*

The Preparation of the Table

We invite you to remain standing & meditate on the music.

Offertory: Help Us Accept Each Other

Help us accept each other
as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother,
each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us
and Bring us to believe:
we are ourselves accepted
and meant to love and live.

Teach us, O Lord, your lessons,
as in our daily life
we struggle to be human
and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people,
for all - not just for some,
to love them as we find them
or as they may become.

Let your acceptance change us
so that we may be moved
in living situations
to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance
until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness
and laughter's healing art.

Lord, for today's encounters
with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance,
for justice and for bread,
we need new eyes for seeing,
new hands for holding on:
renew us with your Spirit;
Lord, free us, make us one!

Prayers over the Gifts:

Presider: God of constant love,
**All: you have guided your people in all times
and ages. May we who offer you our
praise today always be ready to follow
where you lead; we ask this in the name
of Jesus the Christ, Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer: (ELCIC IX)

Presider: May God be with you
People: And also with you
Presider: Lift up your hearts
People: We lift them up
Presider: Let us give thanks to God our Creator
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise
Presider: It is indeed right that we should at all times
and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
gracious God, through Jesus the Christ.

And so with all the choirs of angels, with the
church on earth and the saints of heaven, we
praise your name and join their unending
hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord
God of Power and Might
Heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the Highest!**

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!

Presider: Holy God, you alone are holy,
you alone are God,
The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars; beneath the sea,
within each cell; with every breath.

People: We praise you, O God

Presider: Generations bless your faithfulness;
through the water; by night and day;
across the wilderness; out of exile;
into the future.

People: We bless you, O God.

Presider: We give you thanks for Jesus the Christ;
at the heart of human life;
near to those who suffer;
among the poor; with us now.

People: We thank you O God.

Presider: In the night in which he was betrayed, our
Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it and gave it to his disciples saying:
"take and eat: this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me".

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave
thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying:
"This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the
forgiveness of sin. Do this for the
remembrance of me".

Remembering his love for us on the way;
at the table; and to the end;
we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider: We pray for the gift of your Spirit;

**All: in our gathering;
within this meal:
among your people:
throughout the world.
Blessing, praise and thanks to you.
holy God, through Christ Jesus
by your Spirit,
in your church, without end. Amen.**

Presider: And now as our Saviour taught us, let us pray
in the language of our hearts:

**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.**

Fraction (Breaking of Bread):

Presider: I am the bread of Life, says the Lord. Whoever
comes to me will never be hungry, whoever
believes in me will never thirst.

**People: Taste and see that the Lord is good:
happy are they who trust in him!**

Invitation:

Presider: Friends, these are the gifts of God for the
people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Communion:

*All people are welcome to receive Communion of one kind
(Wafers). Gluten free wafer are available upon request.*

*Please wear your mask and sanitize your hands before
receiving. We ask that you wait until you have returned to
your seat before removing your mask and consuming
the wafer.*

*While the communion is being administered, we respectfully
ask that you keep the silence.*

Prayer after Communion

Presider: O God

**All: Our Life, our strength, our food, we give
you thanks for sustaining us. By your
Holy Spirit, enliven us to be Christ's body
in the world, so that more and more we
will praise and serve your earth and its
many peoples, Amen.**

Blessing:

Presider: After the fire, the greening.
After the death, the rising.
God of mercy, give us faith.

**All: Within the sorrow, the joy.
Within the trouble, the way.
God of light, give us peace.**

Presider: Beneath the noise, the silence.
Beneath the earth, the seed.
God of truth, give us hope.

**All: Amidst the prisoners, the presence.
Amidst the cruel, the witness.
God of justice, give us courage.**

Presider: Beyond despair, the wisdom.
 Beyond defeat, the power.
 God of love, give us love. Amen

(by Steve Gamaas-Holmes – Unfolding Light)

Closing Hymn: Oh How Good It Is

Please remain at your seats and enjoy the music, feel free to hum along behind a mask.

Oh how good it is
When the family of God
Dwells together in spirit
In faith and unity
Where the bonds of peace
Of acceptance and love
Are the fruit of His presence
Here among us

Refrain:
So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His people

Oh how good it is
On this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy
And weep with those who mourn
For the weak find strength
The afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing
Of belonging (Refrain)

Oh how good it is
To embrace His command
To prefer one another
Forgive as He forgives
When we live as one
We all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father
And the Spirit (Refrain)

Dismissal:

Presider: Tend the Earth, care for God's good creation,
 and go in peace to love humanity
 and serve the Lord .

People: Thanks be to God, Amen.

Postlude:

During the Postlude, we invite you to leave from the back of the Sanctuary, row by row out the Ridgewood doors, as instructed by a marshal.

Please do not linger in the Sanctuary or form groups in the parking lot.

See you at Zoom Coffee Time at Noon - see back page.

Thank you for ministering this morning:

Marshals:	Marion Porter, Gillian Holland, Gordon Lee, Alice Korfman
Altar Guild:	Nancy Sunderland, Susanna Wensley
Art display:	Chosen by Heather Luccock
Readers:	1 Penny Zuk 2. Cathy Davidson
Intercessor:	Linda Robertson
Cantor:	Steve Jackson
Sound:	Susanna Valente
Sunday School:	Ethan Spence
Livestream:	Armin and Gordon Lee

Cycles of Prayer

In our prayers this morning we pray for the **Worldwide Anglican Communion**, in particular we Pray for the Church in Wales: The Most Revd John Davies - Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Swansea & Brecon.

We pray for our **Companion Diocese**, the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines, The Right Reverend Brent Alawas, Bishop, and for our companion cluster parish of St. Catherine of Siena in Cervantes and St. Stephen in Bunga, Tadian and the rector Fr. Jerry Sagayo.

In our **Prayer Link** with the Episcopal parish of Christ Church Nazareth in the Galilee, we remember the Reverend Nael Abu Rahmoun, and all Christians, Jews, and Muslims, in the Holy Land.

We pray for the **Anglican Church of Canada**, Linda our Primate, and Bishops Michael Hawkins and Adam Halkett, Bishop Chris Harper, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon.

We pray for the **Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada**, especially for Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in North Vancouver. We join the ELCIC in their prayers to gender-based violence and human trafficking.

In our **Diocese** we pray for Archbishop Melissa, our bishop and metropolitan; our coadjutor bishop elect: Rev John Stephens. We also pray for the parishes of All Saints, Ladner (The Reverend Robin Ruder-Celiz); All Saints, Agassiz (The Reverend David Price); All Saints, Burnaby (The Reverend Justin Cheng, The Reverend Gordon Barrett, The Reverend Leah Skuro) and All Saints, Mission (The Reverend Paul Bowie, The Reverend Glen Nicholson, The Reverend Connie Wilks).



ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE 2020

You are invited with members of your family on the Eve of All Souls Day to a service of Remembrance in the Saint Catherine's Memorial Garden.

Sunday November 1, 2020

Due to Covid 19, we are hosting 4 smaller outdoor gatherings.

2pm, 3pm, 4pm and 5pm by candlelight.

Each service will be 20-30 minutes long.

Email scadmin@shaw.ca to register.

(Art by Lynn Spence)



Zoom coffee time at NOON

Join us this Sunday after our in-person live streamed service for conversation. Begins promptly at 12 noon following the service so everyone can participate.

Join Zoom Meeting by video: <https://zoom.us/j/93034140745>

Or using your Zoom App by in putting the Meeting ID:
930 3414 0745

Or by phone: (778) 907 2071, with the Meeting ID:
930 3414 0745

During coffee time we will have two break-out groups, the first will be a check-in (how are you arriving today?), the second will be a discussion of the service (what did you experience today? What are you invited to do or be?).

Email: scadmin@shaw.ca for help.



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