

**Welcome to  
St. Luke Cedar Hill**

**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Proper 23  
September 8, 2024 – 10:00 am  
Holy Eucharist**



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*We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the lək̓ʷəŋən peoples, known in our day as the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, the traditional custodians of these lands.  
We are grateful for their hospitality.*

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Prelude (*please be seated*)

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Welcome and Introduction (*The Rev. Daniel Fournier*)

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Opening Hymn:**

**CP 383 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun**

*(tune: Duke Street)*

Priest: 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.**

**Invitation to Confession**

Priest: Every week, as we worship together,  
we have the opportunity to admit to ourselves,  
to each other, and to God  
that we do not always live as we are called.  
In this time of confession,  
this time of opening our hearts, let us remember that  
God is merciful and just, eager to offer grace and love.  
Let us pray, first in silence.

*Silence is kept.*

## **Confession**

**All: Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been;  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

**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.**

**Priest: Glory to God in the highest,**

**All: and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly king,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Priest: Let us pray.

God of power and compassion,  
in Christ you reveal your will to heal and to save.  
Open our ears to your redeeming word  
and move our hearts by the strength of your love,  
so that our every word and work  
may proclaim Jesus as Messiah,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

**FIRST READING: PROVERBS 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Proverbs.

*At the end of the reading:*

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 125

**Response: *Those who trust in the Lord stand fast for ever.***

Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,  
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.  
The hills stand about Jerusalem;  
so does the Lord stand round about his people,  
from this time forth for evermore. **(Response)**

The sceptre of the wicked shall not hold sway  
over the land allotted to the just,  
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil. **(Response)**

Show your goodness, O Lord,  
to those who are good and to those who are true of heart.  
As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,  
the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers;  
but peace be upon Israel. **(Response)**

## **SECOND READING: JAMES 2: 1-10 (11-13), 14-17**

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of James.

*At the end of the reading:*

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **CP 292 We Cannot Measure How You Heal**

*(tune: Ye Banks and Braes)*

## **THE GOSPEL: MARK 7: 24-37**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark.

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

*At the end of the gospel:*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily: The Rev. Daniel Fournier

Anthem: *I've Got Peace Like a River*  
(African-American spiritual)

*Please stand as you are able.*

**An Affirmation of Faith** (*Adapted From India. Source: Sinfonia Oecumenica, Gütersloher Verlagshaus, Gütersloh 1998. Reproduced by ECEN for Creation Time 2003*)

Leader: We declare our faith as we say:

**All: We have faith in one God,  
one Source of all life,  
one Ground of the whole Earth,  
who created all things good.**

**And we have faith in Christ,  
in whom we have been shown the special role  
of humanity to bear God's likeness  
in working and caring for Creation,  
in seeking to understand  
her mysteries and powers,  
in working with these powers  
for the wellbeing of life on Earth.**

**And we have faith in God's Spirit  
who leads us to a meek,  
unselfish and compassionate life-style.**

**So that the Earth is inherited in peace,  
her life is transformed for all creatures  
and her bounty shared justly.  
So be it. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

*Sitting, standing or kneeling, as is your custom.*

*In response to the words, "God, in your mercy,"  
the community prays, "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Let us pray with confidence as God's holy people  
for the needs of the Church, all families,  
and for our world...

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being,  
we come to you in prayer  
as the summer season draws nearer to its close.  
We give you thanks for the occasions we have enjoyed  
to catch up with family and friends,  
to travel for recreation and restoration,  
and let our worries go.  
We are grateful for each moment  
to savour the beauty of creation.  
Refresh us for the season ahead we pray,  
and renew our commitment to serve you.

*Silence is held.*

**All:** God, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

O God, Jesus faced many demands wherever he went,  
and pressure from critics, whatever he did.

We pray for all those  
who have not found rest this summer:  
for those whose work is stressful,  
exhausting or unappreciated;  
and for those whose livelihoods remain uncertain  
because of circumstances beyond their control.

We pray for those with hard choices to make,  
about work or school or what comes next,  
about relationships and priorities,  
or about social policy and community leadership.

May each one know your strength and guidance  
day by day.

*Silence is held.*

God, in your mercy,  
**All: Hear our prayer.**

Today we remember those  
for whom this summer has been touched by suffering:  
We pray for those who have lost loved ones,  
and those facing an uncertain future  
or a difficult diagnosis.  
We pray for those who have lost their homes,  
for whatever reason,  
and for those who despair about the climate crisis  
and what can be done to repair the suffering earth.

We pray for all those who join efforts  
to relieve suffering of any kind.  
May each one find courage  
to face tomorrow in your company.

*Silence is held.*

God, in your mercy,  
**All: Hear our prayer.**

God of Light, Life and Love:  
Help us to seek and find your presence in all Creation.  
Help us to understand the roots of the ecological crisis  
and give us the wisdom  
to live resiliently in harmony with your Creation.  
Keep us firm in the faith that the gift of life  
in all its fullness is for all Creation.  
Help us to maintain hope that your reign of love  
is manifested in our common love for you,  
for ourselves, and for our neighbour –  
both human and non-human.

*Silence is held.*



God, in your mercy,  
**All: Hear our prayer.**

God who hears our desires  
even in the silence of our hearts,  
listen now as we name before you the people  
and situations on our minds today:  
*(Names are read here.)*

*Silence is held.*

God, in your mercy,  
**All: Hear our prayer.**

O God, we need the embrace of your presence,  
each in our own way.  
As we continue in our pilgrimage, walk with us,  
and show us how to live each day  
as those who follow Jesus.

All this we pray through Christ, our Lord:  
**All: Amen.**

**The Peace** *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: And also with you.**

### **The Liturgy of the Eucharist**

#### **Offertory Hymn:**

**CP 441 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower**

*(tune: Surrey)*

### **The Preparation of the Table**

#### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Priest: God of mercy and grace,  
the eyes of all wait upon you,  
and you open your hand in blessing.

Fill us with good things at your table,  
that we may come to the help of all in need,  
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord

**All: Amen.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

*[Source: An Order for the Holy Communion (2009); The Great Thanksgiving – Anglican Church of Australia Trust Corporation.]*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Priest: With all our hearts we praise you, faithful God.  
In the beginning, you called light to shine in darkness,  
you made living things to grow and flourish  
and you created human beings in your image.

You chose us in love,  
guided us by your presence  
and blessed us with your holy law.  
Yet we chose our own sinful ways.  
We broke your commandments,  
persecuted your prophets,  
forgot your wisdom  
and, time after time,  
refused to answer your call.

So you spoke an eternal word in a human voice  
in Jesus of Nazareth, son of Mary, Son of God.  
He called and people followed,  
leaving every other loyalty.  
He set us free to praise your holy name.

But hatred and violence shouted Jesus down.  
Betrayed and abandoned and nailed to a cross,  
he laid down his life for the world he loved,

and broke the chains of evil and death.  
Then you turned our sorrow into joy.  
On the third day you raised him up  
to lead your people into life.

So we praise you, holy God,  
with angels and archangels  
and all your faithful people:

*(From Common Praise # 719):*

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might.  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest,  
Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest,  
hosanna in the highest.**

*Congregation may sit or kneel at this time.*

Priest: On the night before he died,  
Jesus gathered with his friends  
to share a meal and wash their feet,  
teaching one more lesson of love.

He took bread  
and blessed you  
and broke it.  
He gave it to them and said:  
“Take this and eat it.  
This is my body.”

He took a cup of wine  
and blessed you  
and gave it to them.  
He said: “Take this and drink it.  
This is my blood,  
sealing God’s promise to forgive your sins.

Whenever you do this,  
do it in memory of me.”  
As we share these holy gifts,  
we remember the Lord Jesus.

For the love you taught us,  
the sacrifice you made for us  
and the hope you give us,  
we acclaim you, O Christ:

**All: Dying you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory.**

Priest: And now, faithful God,  
send us your Spirit  
to feed us with the body and the blood  
of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Make us one body in Christ.  
Send us as your messengers in the world  
and fill us with energy, courage and love.  
Now to you, most holy God,  
through Christ your Son and in the Spirit's power,  
we bring our worship and our songs of praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.** (*Sung 3 times - From Common Praise # 721*)

**The Lord's Prayer** (*Please stand as you are able.*)

Priest: In the words that our Saviour taught us, we 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.**

**Breaking of the Bread** (*Setting: Land of Rest*)

**All: O Lamb of God, you take away  
the sins of the world;  
Have mercy on us, Lamb of God,  
and grant us your peace.**

**The Giving of Communion**

Priest: The table of bread and wine is now ready.  
It is the table of company with Jesus,  
and all who love him.  
It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world,  
with whom Jesus identified himself.  
It is the table of communion with the earth,  
in which Christ became incarnate.  
So come to this table,  
you who have much faith  
and you who would like to have more;  
you who have been here often  
and you who have not been for a while;  
you who have tried to follow Jesus,  
and you who have failed;  
Come.  
It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Please follow the directions of the sidespeople as the congregation is invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine.*

*If you would prefer not to receive communion, please come forward for a blessing. Crossing your hands over your chest will signal the priest to give you a blessing instead.*

**NOTE:** *Gluten free wafers are available on request.*

*Please remain seated as we sing the hymns during communion.*

**Hymns during Communion:**

**CP 612 Healer of Our Every Ill**

*(tune: Healer of Our Every Ill)*

**CP 360 Bless the Lord, My Soul**

*(tune: Bless the Lord)*

**Prayer after Communion** *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: Gracious God,  
in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,  
and nourished us at your table with food and drink,  
the body and blood of Christ.  
Now send us forth to be your people in the world,  
and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore,  
through Jesus Christ,  
our Saviour and Lord.

**All: 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.**

**Announcements** *(Please be seated.)*

**Benediction** *(Please stand as you are able.)*

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 the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: CP 481 May the Grace of Christ Our Saviour**  
*(tune: Halton Holgate)*

**Dismissal**

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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Postlude

*Thank you to all who assisted with today's service.*

**IN THE WORLDWIDE ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray for** The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion) - The Most Revd Henry C. Ndukuba – Primate. **In the Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon (Anglican); The dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Interior Region of the British Columbia Synod (Lutheran). **In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle, we pray for** Anna, our Bishop, and for St. Paul, Naniamo, and their priest, Vernon Foster. **We also pray for** Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyndon and for the Diocese of New Westminster, and Bishop John Stephens.

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**THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS**  
**September 8<sup>th</sup> – September 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**(\*\*New Items, \*Revised Items)**

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**\*Back to School Brunch Today** after the 10 am service. Pancakes, coffee, tea, and juice will be provided during the coffee time.

**\*\*New sung Communion liturgy at the 10:00 am service.**

Today marks the start of a new sung setting of the Communion liturgy based on a familiar tune that we traditionally sing during Communion, called "Land of Rest". The music for the Holy-Holy-Holy, Amen and Lamb of God is in the pews, or you can follow along in the CP (719, 721).

**\*\*Help Wanted" for Sunday Morning Coffee Times** including baking, set up, and clean up. Volunteers have a choice to just set up or clean up or both. Baking is always welcome and thoroughly enjoyed at Coffee Time. Our Coffee Times after the 10 am services have become very popular and we can only continue if we have enough volunteers. **If you can help, please email Heather Simpson, Rector's Warden ([hsimpson@stlukecedarhill.ca](mailto:hsimpson@stlukecedarhill.ca))** or chat with her on Sunday. Dates are September 15<sup>th</sup> to the end of December.

**\*September Reflections Service – Next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm.** The September Reflections will feature Victoria-based **One Wheel Band, three seasoned musicians who bring a fresh acoustic approach to classic folk, roots, blues and jazz tunes along with original compositions.** The three spokes of the One Wheel Band are: Burke Rosen (vocals and guitar), Diane Taylor (vocals and bass guitar), and Mike Sampson (vocals and guitar). The each month's Reflections will feature music along with poems and prayers. Enjoy music in the beautiful candlelit ambiance of St. Luke's at dusk.

**\*\*St. Luke's Craft Group – Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.** Joanne Jolson and Heather Simpson are hosting a craft night on the 3rd Thursday each month in the Sequoia Room (Lounge). Crafts included (but not limited to) knitting, crocheting, sewing, needlework, quilting, card making, woodworking, or other forms of crafts. Please talk to Joanne or Heather if you have any questions.

**Prescription Deadline – Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** is the **deadline for submissions** for the Fall issue of St. Luke's Prescription. Please send along your articles, photos, poems,



and other creative endeavours to Barb Prescott or to **communications@stlukecedarhill.ca**.

**\*\*A Fall Cemetery Cleanup** is planned for **Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:30 to 11:30 am**. Please come and help tidy the cemetery for the fall. Many hands make light work!

**It's Time to Order Church Calendars for 2025** – Please phone (250-477-6741) or email the parish office (admin@stlukecedarhill.ca) to reserve your copy (or copies) of the 2025 church calendar. We will be ordering the Canadian Church calendar and the Anglican Church calendar. **Both types of calendars will be \$10 each**. Please pay for your calendar when you pick it up. The Canadian Church Calendar has the glossy photos of churches and is produced by the Anglican Church of Canada. The Anglican Church calendar has the watercolours of Anglican churches, is produced by St. Peter Publications, and includes the calendar information in accordance with the BCP. When you phone or e-mail the office, please let Neil know which calendar you are ordering. **The deadline to place your order is Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

**Save The Date – A Farewell Gathering for Pastor Lyle** will be held on **Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 – 4:30 pm at Lutheran Church of the Cross**. This will be a time on honour Pastor Lyle McKenzie at Church of the Cross as he starts his time of retirement. St. Luke's parishioners are invited to this community gathering.

**\*\*The September Faith Tides** is now available online at the **News page of St. Luke's website**. Print copies are available in the church or from the parish office. Or please call the office (250-477-6741) to ask to have a copy delivered. See more information on the **News page of St. Luke's website**.

**\*Donations in your Special Purpose Envelopes** – Unfortunately **2024 so far has been a very expensive year** for our buildings. To date we have spent around \$20,000 more on our buildings than we had budgeted for this part of the year.

The expenses have been for safety reasons, not cosmetic repairs. Expenses have included replacing the rotten deck at South Island Centre (\$3,600), replacing the stage floor - asbestos tiles were breaking (\$4,100 less \$2,000 paid by the Players), repairing the cottage bathroom (\$5,000), putting windows in the Sunday School rooms in the church (\$800), repairing the dishwasher (\$1,800), new faucets for the kitchen and a new toilet for the preschool washroom (\$800), repairing the heat pump at South Island (\$4,900 less \$2,000 paid by South Island Centre), and repainting the kitchen – the paint was flaking off (\$3,200). If you are able to make an additional donation in your Special Purpose Envelope (above your regular donations) to help cover these unexpected expenses, your donation would be greatly appreciated. **Thank you for your donations so far in September. Collections from September 1<sup>st</sup> included \$800 towards these building repairs.**

**Mark Your Calendars – This year’s Celebration Sunday and Celebration of St. Luke’s Patronal Festival will be on October 27<sup>th</sup>.** Watch for more information to come about this special event.

**Prayer in the Style of Taize resumes this fall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month:** September 20<sup>th</sup>, October 18<sup>th</sup>, and November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm **at St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church**, 4733 West Saanich Rd. “A way of searching for God in silence and prayer in the midst of daily life.” [www.taize.fr](http://www.taize.fr) All are welcome.

# St. Luke's Vision, Mission, and Actions



## St. Luke's Vision

St. Luke's is a beacon in the community, illuminating many ways to encounter God.

## St. Luke's Mission

We are supportive people of faith who welcome all with compassion and embrace a culture of community, with outreach as our cornerstone.



## St. Luke's Actions: To achieve our Mission, we

- Engage in a vibrant practice of praise but also seek God's peace through prayer and contemplation
- Respect and appreciate the heritage of the first peoples on whose lands we gather and worship
- Nurture a sense of community and promote a culture of inclusion and belonging
- Honour the history of our sacred spaces
- Pursue social and spiritual understanding
- Embrace the values of kindness, openness and hospitality
- Offer compassionate pastoral care
- Base outreach on an attitude of caring and acceptance



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We hope you will visit again!

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### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Proverbs 1: 20-33  
Psalm 19  
James 3: 1-12  
Mark 8: 27-38

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### FLOWERS

*Flowers at St. Luke's are coordinated by Ann Séguin.*