

Welcome to  
**St. Luke Cedar Hill**

Feast of the Presentation of our Lord  
February 2, 2025 - 10:00 am  
Holy Eucharist



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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 8 Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun**

(*tune: Morning Hymn*)

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: Dear friends, forty days ago we celebrated  
the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Now we recall the day on which he was presented  
in the Temple, when he was offered to the Father  
and shown to his people.  
As a sign of his coming among us,  
his mother was purified,  
as we now come to him for cleansing.  
In their old age Simeon and Anna recognized him  
as their Lord, as we today sing of his glory.  
In this eucharist, we celebrate  
both the joy of his coming  
and his searching judgement,  
looking back to the day of his birth  
and forward to the coming days of his passion.

Hear the words of our Saviour Jesus Christ:

'I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me shall never walk in darkness,  
but shall have the light of life.'

Let us therefore bring our sins into his light  
and confess them in penitence and faith.

*Silence is kept.*

### **Confession**

**All: Father eternal, giver of light and grace,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour,  
in what we have thought,  
in what we have said and done,  
through ignorance, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We have wounded your love,  
and marred your image in us.  
We are sorry and ashamed,  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and lead us out from darkness  
to walk as children of light.  
Amen.**

**Priest:** Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

Priest: Glory to God in the highest,

**All: and peace to his 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 Anna and Simeon,

whose law makes known the gift of life,

whose love exposes our hardness of heart:

by your Spirit, may we receive your faithful word

and know your reconciling presence

offered for all the world.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,

the Light and Glory of God.

**All: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### FIRST READING: MALACHI 3: 1-4

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Malachi.

*At the end of the reading:*

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 84

**Response: *Happy are the people whose strength is in you!***

How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. **(Response)**

The sparrow has found her a house  
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young;  
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,  
my King and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house!  
they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you!  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way. **(Response)**

Those who go through the desolate valley  
will find it a place of springs,  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.  
They will climb from height to height,  
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.  
Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;  
hearken, O God of Jacob. **(Response)**

Behold our defender,  
O God; and look upon the face of your Anointed.  
For one day in your courts  
is better than a thousand in my own room,  
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God  
than to dwell in the tents of the wicked. **(Response)**

For the Lord God is both sun and shield;  
he will give grace and glory;  
No good thing will the Lord withhold  
from those who walk with integrity.  
O Lord of hosts, happy are they  
who put their trust in you! **(Response)**

**SECOND READING: HEBREWS 2: 14-18**

Reader: A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

*At the end of the reading:*

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Gradual Chant: Nunc Dimittis**

**Lord, now lettest thou thy servant  
depart in peace according to thy word.  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;  
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles,  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.**

**THE GOSPEL: LUKE 2: 22-40**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

**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: *How Shall I Sing to God* by Lloyd Larson

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **The Apostles' Creed**

Leader: Let us together profess the faith of our baptisms  
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 Intercession**

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

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

**In the Worldwide and Local Cycle of Prayer** today  
we pray for: The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New  
Zealand and Polynesia, The Most Rev'd Justin  
Duckworth, Don Tamihere, and Sione Uluilakepa,  
Primates. Locally we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and  
for the Diocesan and Synod Office staff. We also pray  
for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyndon,  
and for the Diocese of Kootenay and Bishop Lynne  
McNaughton.

Jesus, the Joy of Simeon who knows your arrival  
is a cataclysmic event!

Keep us always surprised and joyful  
at your sudden arrivals in our hearts and minds  
and let our lives radiate the exhilaration  
of being in your presence.

Hear us as we pray,  
**All: We put our trust in You.**

Jesus, Joy of Simeon, we present ourselves to you  
as pilgrims on your way.  
Refine and purify our hearts and souls  
so that we may find favour  
as servant messengers of your covenant.

Hear us as we pray,  
**All: We put our trust in You.**

Jesus, Joy of Simeon, attend to those who present  
themselves in the world's temples of government.  
Fill their hearts with your wisdom, justice, and mercy  
and diverge them from paths of greed and inhumanity.



Hear us as we pray,  
**All: We put our trust in You.**

Jesus, Joy of Simeon, we ask your healing  
for all who are seriously ill, frightened, or exhausted,  
and for those who tend to their needs.  
Care for them as sparrows nesting by your altar  
and give their wings renewed flight in hope.  
We pray especially for: *(Add names here)*

Hear us as we pray,  
**All: We put our trust in You.**

Jesus, Joy of Simeon, open our eyes to your place  
of springs in the desert of sorrow,  
as the ones whose loss we mourn  
are set free in peace to a new life in the fullness  
of your salvation and glory.

Hear us as we pray,  
**All: We put our trust in You.**

Jesus, Joy of Simeon, grant continuous discernment,  
wisdom, and prophetic understanding  
to those who guide your church  
and those who worship within it.  
May your guiding Spirit keep us all merciful  
and faithful servants of your Word.  
We pray especially for Anna our bishop and the synod  
office staff, for Daniel our priest, our wardens and  
parish council.

Hear us as we pray,  
**All: We put our trust in You.**

All these prayers we ask in your name.  
**All: Amen.**

**Invitation and Peace** *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus  
and with all those 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 faith  
and you who would like to have more.

You who have been to this sacrament often,  
and you who have not been for a long time.

You who have tried to follow Jesus,  
and you who have failed.

Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

As we prepare to come to the table

let us exchange a sign of peace with one another.

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: Gracious God,

in Christ there has sprung up a light for the righteous;

accept the gifts we bring before you

and grant that Christ may shine in us

to the praise and glory of your name.

**All: Amen.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

*[Source: Eucharistic Prayer B. from Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England (2000) (including the Psalter as published with Common Worship)]*

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: It is indeed right and good,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise  
through Jesus Christ,  
who is one with you from all eternity.  
For on this day he appeared in the Temple  
in substance of our flesh  
to come near to us in judgement.  
He searches the hearts of all your people  
and brings to light the image of your splendour.  
Your servant Simeon acclaimed him  
as the light to lighten the nations  
while Anna spoke of him  
to all who looked for your redemption.  
Destined for the falling and rising of many,  
he was lifted high upon the cross  
and a sword of sorrow pierced his mother's heart  
when by his sacrifice he made our peace with you.  
And now we rejoice and glorify your name  
that we, too, have seen your salvation  
and join with angels and archangels  
in their unending hymn of praise:

*(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: Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us  
the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice  
made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection  
and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,

we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you  
this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of Anna, Simeon, Luke,  
and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
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: 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 52 O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near**

*(tune: St. Flavian)*

**Taizé Chant during Communion: Take, O Take Me As I Am**

*(by J. Bell)*

**Take, O take me as I am. Summon out what I shall be.  
Set a seal upon my heart and live in me.**

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

Priest: Holy God, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna,  
who lived to welcome the Messiah:  
may we, who have received these gifts beyond words,  
prepare to meet Christ Jesus  
when he comes to bring us to eternal life;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**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.)*

**Threefold Blessing** *(Please stand as you are able.)*

Priest: Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
fill you with radiance  
and scatter the darkness from your path.

**All: Amen.**

Priest: Christ, the Sun of Righteousness,  
gladden your eyes and warm your heart.

**All: Amen.**

Priest: Christ, the Dayspring from on high,  
draw near to guide your feet into the way of peace.

**All: Amen.**

Priest: 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 385 Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness**

*(tune: Üttingen)*

**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 Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** The Most Rev. David Edwards, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada (Anglican); **for** the dean, council, and congregations of the Atlantic and Montreal Areas of the Eastern Synod (Lutheran); **and for** the people and ministries of Millwoods Moravian Church in Edmonton (Moravian).

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**THIS WEEK'S PARISH NEWS**  
**February 2<sup>nd</sup> – February 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**(\*\*New Items, \*Revised Items)**

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**Please stay for Coffee Time this Sunday after the 10 am service** – Park on Synod Road for easy access via the side door of the hall. If you can help with the coffee set up in these first months of 2025, please let Barb Felsing know.

**\*Reports for the Annual Meeting package were due last Monday.** If you haven't sent in the report for your area yet, please send it ASAP.

**\*Fantastic Friday** – Our next Fantastic Friday will be **this Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:30 pm** in the hall. Fantastic Fridays are held on the first Friday of the month through to June. Invite your friends, neighbours, children, and grandchildren to join in the fun and find out why these Fridays are fantastic! **Dinner is included.** For more information or to offer to help (always greatly appreciated!), please talk to Tara Poilievre, Barb Prescott, Sharon Hallsor, or Claire White.

**\*February Reflections Service – Next Sunday, February 9<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.

**\*\*Amazing Journey Day Camp Planning Meeting - Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 3 to 4 pm at St. Luke's.** This year's Day Camp will be July 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Luke's. Help us pick a theme and be part of planning this year's camp. Are you **interested in assisting with music, telling stories, or leading crafts?** This meeting is **open to everyone including high school students.**

**\*\*Save the Dates for this Year's Amazing Journey Day Camp – July 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>** in the mornings, **9 am to noon.** St. Luke's joins with Church of the Cross each summer for a week-long day camp hosted at one of the churches. **This year's camp will be at St. Luke's.** If you have children, grandchildren, or friends with children ages 4 through 11, please consider reserving this week for them to participate in the day camp. **Children born January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2021 are eligible to be campers.** We will also be looking for **Middle School students to be Leaders in Training and High School students to be Small Group Leaders.** Questions? Please talk to Tara Poilievre, Sharon Hallsor, or Barb Prescott.

**\*Attic Treasures Vintage Market will be held in the hall from 10 am – 4 pm on Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.** The Market will feature a number of vendors renting space to sell their vintage items. St. Luke's will also sell vintage clothing, accessories, jewellery, antiques, old collectible toys, home decor etc. **Your donations can be brought to the hall basement on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, or a pick up can be arranged** with Carol Turnham. We will need help with set-up on the Friday and selling tickets to the public (**admission tickets are \$3**) as well as selling items on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call Carol Turnham for more info and to offer your help. Thank you.

**\*This year's Annual General Meeting (AGM), also known as our Annual Vestry Meeting, will be on Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.** The in-person meeting will be held in the hall after the 10 am service. **Please bring a bagged lunch. Tea, coffee, cookies, and sweets will be available.** The meeting will include a review of reports from 2024, voting on the budget for 2025, and the election of Parish Council members, Synod delegates, and the Leadership Team members. **There will not be an 8 am service that morning.**

**2025 Parish Council** – If you would like to be on Parish Council for 2025, or would like to suggest a name of someone for a position on Council, please talk to Rick Saville, Carol Turnham, or Heather Simpson.

**Karren Stinson Bursary for Lutherans and Anglicans based in Western Canada – Application Deadline: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025** – The Karren Stinson Bursary Fund celebrates the life of a parish worker at Lutheran Church of the Cross, the late Karren Louise Stinson. The purpose of this Bursary Fund is to give financial assistance to Lutherans and Anglicans based in Western Canada who are currently involved in post-secondary education leading to a vocation of service. We invite applications for this year's bursary of \$1000. **To apply for the 2025 Karren Stinson Bursary, please visit the News page of St. Luke's website and carefully follow the instructions given.** The Bursary is scheduled to be awarded in the late spring of 2025.

## ***MOUNTAIN OF LOVE***

The youth of St. Luke's are hosting a special fundraising event during the **month of February** in support of our local **Shelbourne Community Kitchen**.

The youth want to build a mountain of **non-perishable food** in St. Luke's Church, called a "**Mountain of Love**". The **food** that the Shelbourne Community Kitchen is looking for is **on the insert**.

It is a well-known fact that after Christmas, the donations to food banks drop significantly, but the need for them does not.

We will continue this project until **Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup>**, so our Fantastic Friday families can view the **Mountain of Love** on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

The youth are asking all those **outside groups** who use the facilities of St. Luke's to take part, as well as asking you to **reach out to your neighbours and friends** to give to this special event. Please help support the Shelbourne Community Kitchen with a generous donation of food or money.

In 2024, the Shelbourne Community Kitchen distributed 75,675 lbs of food; prepared 1,896 meals, grew 10,838 lbs of fresh food; they served 1,603 adults, 689 children and have over 200 volunteers. **The need is here in our community**

If you have any questions, need any donations collected, or want to donate cash, please contact the church office **at 250-477-6741**.

***Thank you from the youth at St. Luke's.***

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We hope you will visit again!

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### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Isaiah 6: 1-8 (9-13)

Psalm 138

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Luke 5: 1-11

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### FLOWERS

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God.

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