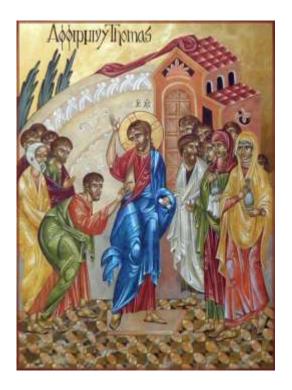
Welcome to St. Luke Cedar Hill

Second Sunday of Easter April 27, 2025 – 10 am Holy Eucharist



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We acknowledge that we gather with respect on the traditional territories of the lekwenen 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.)

Welcome and Introduction. (The Rev. Daniel Fournier)

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: CP 231 That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright

(tune: Lasst uns erfreuen)

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Invitation to Confession

Priest: When are you at peace in life?

I hope it is not when nobody disturbs you,

but instead when you are living in the right relationship

with God and yourself, and with your neighbour.

It is not always a peace that is easy to find.

The key to all real peace is the peace Jesus offers us;

he states this even three times today:

it is the peace of forgiveness,

the peace of his nearness, the peace of your faith.

Then all the rest will follow.

Today, as we hear the Good News and celebrate today's Eucharist, let us ask for that peace that Jesus offers

as we confess our sin.

Silence is kept.

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,

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

and walk humbly with you, our God.

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.

Gloria

All sing: (Common Praise tune # 425):

Glory be to God in heaven, peace, goodwill to all the earth, mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth. We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise, saints and angels bow before you, here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love, Son of God and gracious Saviour, you have come from heaven above. On the cross you died to save us, now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer, restore, forgive us, in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you, Lord alone to you we call, Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all. Jesus Christ with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendour bright, for the peace that we inherit glory be to God on high!

Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

O God, our beginning and our end: accept our doubts, heal our desire for certainty and, by your Spirit's gentle touch, make us a people forgiven and forgiving; through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING: ACTS 5: 27-32

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Acts.

At the end of the reading:

Reader: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118: 14-29

Response: On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted! (Response)

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. (*Response*)

Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord. "This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter." (*Response*)

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation. The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. (*Response*)

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes. On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. (*Response*)

Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! Lord, send us now success. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless you from the house of the Lord. God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar. (*Response*)

"You are my God, and I will thank you; you are my God, and I will exalt you." Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever. (*Response*)

SECOND READING: REVELATION 1: 4-8

Reader: A Reading from the Revelation to John.

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 Hymn: CP 244 We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight (tune: Shanti)

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20: 19-31

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

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: This Joyful Eastertide by Charles Wood

Please stand as you are able.

An Affirmation of Faith (from Ephesians 3)

Priest: Let us declare our faith in God.

All: We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. 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 ANGLICAN PRAYER CYCLE, we pray today for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean, The Most Revd Dr Gilbert Rateloson Rakotondravelo, Primate. Locally we pray for Anna, our Bishop, and for the Parish of Central Saanich and their pastor, the Venerable Dr. Lon Towstego. We also pray for Lutheran Church of the Cross and Pastor Lyndon, and for the Diocese of New Westminster Archbishop John Stephens.

We thank you, God, for the many ways you provide for our needs: for air and water, for food and shelter, for work to do and rest to sustain us.

We pray for your creation, too often at risk because of the choices we've made. Help us care for the earth and all its creatures and relationships. Show us how to cherish the gifts you have given and protect them for future generations.

God of steadfast love,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We thank you, God, for family: the families we were born or adopted into, the families we married into, and other families who welcomed us into their midst as friends and neighbours.

We pray for those who have lost family members and relationships, and for any who know difficulty and hardship within the family circle.

God of steadfast love,

All: Hear us as we pray.

God, we also thank you for friendship, and for those who bring us joy and wise counsel. Help us extend the gift of friendship to those who are experiencing isolation, loneliness or grief.

God of steadfast love,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We thank you, God, for the peace and freedom we enjoy in Canada. We pray for those who know neither freedom nor peace: those living under oppressive regimes or in conflict zones, and those who have fled their homelands, in search of safety.

Here you may name any situations currently in the news.

Give us courage to stand up for people who cannot stand up for themselves, so that they too will know peace and freedom.

God of steadfast love,

All: Hear us as we pray.

We thank you, God, for your Church, for our parish, and for all who volunteer time, talent and energy to the work we undertake in Jesus' name. By your Spirit, guide us and inspire us with new insight into mission and ministry.

We pray for parishes and churches in our community and in our diocese, and the sense of mission that guides each one into service.

Fill us with a deeper sense of unity so that we can model relationships that transcend differences in this divided world.

God of steadfast love.

All: Hear us as we pray.

At this time, we pray for those who have asked for our prayers.

(names added here)

God of steadfast love,

All: Hear us as we pray.

O God, thank you for the gift of your Son, whose resurrection empowers us to look to the future with hope.

Thank you for the gift of your Spirit who draws us into unity with you and one another.

God of Grace, receive these prayers and the unspoken prayers of our hearts. We offer our prayers in the name of our risen Christ Jesus.

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 312 Sing a New Song unto the Lord (tune: Sing a New Song)

The Preparation of the Table

Prayer over the Gifts

Priest: God of grace, you have freed us from our sins

and made us a kingdom in your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord.

Accept all we offer you this day,

and strengthen us in the new life you have given us,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

[Source: Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer 3 - Eucharistic Prayers, Services of the Word, and Night Prayer Supplementary to The Book of Alternative Services. 2001.]

Priest: May God 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,

our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For on this day he revealed his glory

before his chosen witnesses and filled with divine splendour

the human flesh in which he is one with us.

So he prepared his disciples to bear the scandal of the cross

and showed that in the Church, his body,

the same glory would be fulfilled that shone forth from him, its head.

And so with joyful hearts we echo on earth

the song of the angels in heaven

as they praise your glory without end:

(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: We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Priest: Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with St. Luke, Mary, Martha, Lazarus, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving 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 232 Jesus is Risen from the Grave

(tune: Childer)

CP 222 All Shall Be Well

(tune: Song 46)

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

Priest: Father, we have seen with our eyes

and touched with our hands

the bread of life. Strengthen our faith

that we may grow in love for you and for each other;

through Jesus Christ the risen 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.)

Blessing (Please stand as you are able.)

Priest: Go now, sent by the one who was sent by God.

Walk in the light;

testify to the resurrection of Christ; and live at peace with one another.

And may God bless you with life forever;

May Christ Jesus

breathe his Spirit and peace into you;

And may the Holy Spirit

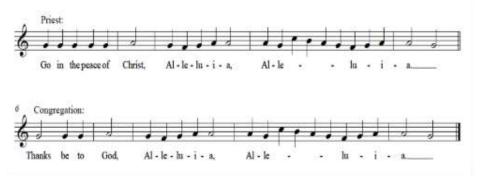
lead you into the life and light of God.

All: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CP 239 Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now

(tune: St. Albinus)

Dismissal



Postlude

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

In the Anglican-Lutheran-Moravian Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Rt. Rev. Todd Townshend, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron (Anglican); for the congregations of the Western Manitoba area of Manitoba of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod (Lutheran); and for our full communion partner churches, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the US-based Episcopal Church (TEC) (Together).

April 27th - May 4th (**New Items, *Revised Items)

**A Big Thank You to Everyone for all the inspiring services over Holy Week and Easter – Thank you to everyone who helped make these services so special: all the readers and liturgical assistants, the choristers and music director Susanne Reul-Zastre, the Bell Choir under the leadership of Muriel Ali, musicians such Mary Bryne (flute), Koshi Thompson (trumpet), the Altar Guild for for preparing for all the services and decorating the church so beautifully, decorating the church so beautifully, Neil for printing all the service bulletins, and Daniel and Joan for leading the services. We are truly blessed at St. Luke's

Thank you to our amazing volunteers for all your help in making this year's **Spring Fair a success, from set up to take down and everything in between. Your donations and all your work before, during, and after the Fair are very much appreciated. Carol Turnham.

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.

Sacred Frontiers – A spiritual exploration/faith formation group for teens and their parents; adults considering baptism and/or confirmation; anyone who wants to be welcomed into St. Luke's from another denomination; anyone who would like to formally renew their baptismal commitment; anyone who has faith questions; anyone who wants to deepen their faith outside of Sunday morning. The group is meeting weekly, each Sunday and will end on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th, with a celebration of baptism and reaffirmation and welcome. The group is meeting in the church from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. See more information at the News page of St. Luke's website.

- **Fantastic Friday will be this Friday, May 2nd from 4:30 to 6:30 pm in St. Luke's Hall Invite your friends, neighbours, children, and grandchildren to join in the fun and find out why these Fridays are fantastic! For more information or to offer to help (always greatly appreciated!), please talk to Claire White, Tara Poilievre, Barb Prescott, or Sharon Hallsor.
- **Old Cemeteries Society Tour of St. Luke's Cemetery Next Sunday, May 4th starting at 2 pm. This tour will feature the stories of the farmers, florists, and gardeners who are resting in St. Luke's Cemetery. The descendants and friends of these families will tell their stories. Charge for the tour is \$5 (cash please).
- **Diocesan-Wide Confirmations Sunday, May 4th at 4:00 pm at Christ Church Cathedral. Please plan to attend to support those from St. Luke's who are being confirmed.
- **A Vintage Fashion Show and Tea Saturday, May 10th from 2 4 pm in St. Luke's Hall. In honour of St. Luke's 165th anniversary, Vintage Fashion Showcase will present Local History Through Fashion from 1860 to 1980. Afternoon Tea will be served, featuring a selection of delicious baked goodies. There will be door prizes. Tickets are \$25 and are on sale now from Claire White and via the events@stlukecedarhill.ca e-mail.

Early Bird Registration is now open for this year's Amazing Journey Day Camp, which will be held July 7th – 11th in the mornings, 9 am to noon at St. Luke's. St. Luke's joins with Church of the Cross each summer for a week-long day camp hosted at one of the churches. If you have children, grandchildren, or friends with children ages 4 through 11, please consider registering them to participate in the day camp. Children born January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2021 are eligible to be campers. The registration form can found at the News page of St. Luke's website. Early Bird Registration Fees are 1st child - \$50; 2nd child - \$45; 3rd and additional child - \$40. We are also 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.

Rug/Latch Hooking Supplies Needed – Have you ever done rug/latch hooking? Do you have extra tools or cut pieces you no longer need? We are looking for spare supplies for our Summer Day Camp in July. If you, or anyone you know, has any you could donate, please talk to Tara Poilievre. Thank you.

St. Luke's Is on Instagram – Did you know that St. Luke's is now on Instagram? Thanks to Sahar Saeidbakhsh for setting up Instagram for us. You'll find the Instagram link in the top right corner of the home page of our website or at this link: https://www.instagram.com/saint_lukechurch/ Please follow St. Luke's on Instagram.

Minister or Priest?

Source: https://www.anglican.ca/ask/faq/minister-or-priest/

Minister and priest are both terms used in the Anglican Church. Minister is the broader term and has a basic meaning (whether as verb or noun) of "to render aid or service". In a church context the word "minister", used as a noun, refers to a clergyperson. In the Anglican Communion, generally speaking, anyone who has been ordained to one of the three orders of deacon, priest or bishop is a "minister" although it is most commonly used to refer to one who is a priest.

The use of the term "priest" was much less common in general or ecclesiastical usage before the mid-nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. It tended to become part of the general division in the church between "Protestant" or "Low Church" and "Anglo-Catholic" or "High Church". "Minister" was a term favoured by the Protestant/Low Church movement and "priest" (along with "Father" as a form of address) by the Anglo-Catholic/High Church movement.

Today, "priest" and "minister" are generally interchangeable with "priest" or "celebrant" most commonly used in liturgical texts. Other terms such as "pastor" are also widely used to describe those in an ordained leadership role especially in an ecumenical context.

Finally, the breadth of the word, 'minister', has been expanded in the 20th century to include 'lay ministers', that is, people who are of the laity, but hold some kind of charter or authorization for tasks they fulfil. The exact meaning of minister, therefore, has to be determined by its context.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY May 4th, 2025

Acts 9: 1-6 (7-20)

Psalm 30

Revelation 5: 11-14

John 21: 1-19

FLOWERS

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