



## The Second Sunday in Lent March 16, 2025 10 am

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## **St. Catherine's Mission, Vision and Values**

St. Catherine's Anglican Church, near the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səlililwətaɣ (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations, is a contemporary community of Christian seekers

We welcome you to join us in the 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** 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

**Our Values:**

St Catherine's is a community that aspires to be:

Welcoming, Inclusive, Curious, Creative,  
Sustainable, Caring and Humble



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## **SAINT CATHERINE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

Anglican Church of Canada - Diocese of New  
Westminster Situated on the unceded traditional Coast  
Salish territory of the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and  
səlililwətaɣ̓ (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations

*Votive candles are available to light during communion. Please consider  
a donation to the candle fund. We ask that you light candles with care  
and extinguish the lighting taper immediately after lighting*

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### **GATHERING**

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#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME AND INTENTION: Rev. Angus Stuart**

Presider: In this holy time of Lent,  
we acknowledge that we gather on the  
ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples and  
raise our hands to elders past and present as  
we seek reconciliation amongst all people who  
call Canada home.

**All: May the living Christ lead us all on  
pathways of reconciliation and peace.**

Presider: Let us bless the Holy One  
who forgives all our wrong doings.

**All: God's mercy endures forever.**

## **PRAYER OF PURITY:**

*(Book of Alternative Services)*

Presider: Ever-present God,

**All: To you all hearts are open  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we  
may perfectly love you, and worthily  
magnify your holy Name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Silence is kept.*

## **CONFESSION:**

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
God welcomes all and invites us to this table.  
Let us confess our sins,  
confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

Presider: Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against  
you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we  
have left undone. We have not loved you  
with our whole heart; we have not loved  
our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

## **Kyrie (Lord Have Mercy)**

Kyrie eleison,  
Kyrie eleison,  
Kyrie eleison,  
Kyrie eleison.

Presider: All Loving God have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## **GATHERING HYMN: MORNING HAS BROKEN, (SGP 103)**

**M**orning has broken like the first morning;  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, spring fresh from the Word!

**S**weet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

**M**ine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's re-creation of the new day!

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY (Collect):**

Presider: Brooding Spirit

**All: Beneath your wings there is creation and life: accompany us on the difficult path with the disappeared and the broken, the fearful and the vengeful, until we find the way to the city of our peace where we are accepted as we are: through Jesus our Lord, Amen.**

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## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

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**FIRST READING: RETURN** by Jan Richardson  
*Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessings for the Seasons*

Remember.

You were built for this,  
the ancient path  
inscribed upon your bones,  
the persistent pattern  
echoing in your heartbeat.

Let this be the season  
you turn your face  
toward the One  
who calls to you:

Return, return.

Let this be the day  
you open wide your arms  
to the wind that knows  
how to bear you  
Home.

## PSALM 27

*Led By Janet Benjamin*

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**People: When evildoers close in against me to devour my flesh, they, my foes and my enemies, will stumble and fall.**

Leader: Though an army encamp against me, my heart will not fear. Though war rise up against me, my trust will not be shaken.

**People: One thing I ask of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek God in the temple.**

Leader: For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter, hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary, and raise me high up- on a rock.

**People: Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me. Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the Lord.**

Leader: Hear my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.

**People: My heart speaks your message! Seek my face." Your face, O Lord, I will seek.**

Leader: Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger. Cast me not away you have been my helper; forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

**People:**      **Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will take me in.**

Leader:      Teach me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path, because of my oppressors.

**People:**      **Subject me not to the will of my foes, for they rise up against me, false witnesses breathing violence.**

Leader:      This I believe that I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!

**People:**      **Wait for the Lord and be strong. Take heart and wait for the Lord!**

## **SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 3:17—4:1**

*Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.*

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Reader:      Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

**All:**          **Thanks be to God.**



## **GOSPEL HYMN:**

### **MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG (CP 401)**

My life flows on in endless song,  
above earth's lamentation.  
I hear the real though far-off hymn  
that hails a new creation.

#### *Refrain:*

No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Love is lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife,  
I hear that music ringing.  
It sounds and echoes in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing? [Refrain]

## **GOSPEL READING: LUKE 13:31-35**

*Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

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

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

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,]  
"Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said  
to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting  
out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and  
on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and  
the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible  
for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem,  
Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those  
who are sent to it!

How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Presider: The Gospel of Christ.

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

### **GOSPEL HYMN cont... (CP 401)**

**What** though the tempest round me roar,  
I hear the truth it liveth.

**What** though the darkness round me close,  
songs in the night it giveth.

*Refrain:*

No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I'm clinging.

Since Love is lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?

**When** tyrants tremble, sick with fear,  
and hear their death knells ringing;  
when friends rejoice both far and near,  
how can I keep from singing? [Refrain]

**HOMILY: Rev Angus Stuart**

*Reflective silence follows.*

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Iona Community)**

Presider: We believe in God

**All: Who is older than eternity  
and younger than our next breath;  
who is beyond describing yet knows us  
all by name.**

**All:           Who inspires faith  
                  yet cannot be contained by religion.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ;  
flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone;  
He came in the body  
to give worth to every human life.  
He touched the untouchable,  
loved the unlovable and endured slander,  
persecution and death.**

**We believe that God's Kingdom  
comes on earth Through Christ's  
suffering love.  
He rose from the grave as living proof  
that what is laid down in faith  
will be raised in glory.  
He ascended to heaven  
to be present at all times to all people.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
Who leads us into truth and freedom,  
who gives good gifts to all God's children,  
who works through prayer and politics,  
through justice, care of creation  
and the healing of the nations.**

**We celebrate the potential  
God has given; the life in our bodies,  
the yearning in our souls, the promise of  
good things in store for those who love  
and serve their maker.**

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## **PRAYER**

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### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

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## COMMUNION

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### OFFERTORY



*To make a donation to the ministry of St. Catherine's, please use an envelope provided. For Donations of \$20 or more, tax receipts will be issued if name and address are included; OR use this QR code with your device to donate through Canada Helps, tax receipts are sent by email.*

*At this time, we invite you to place your gifts in the plates at the back and front of the church nave for a blessing. For those who give using the Pre-Authorized-Debit-System (PADS), or Canada Helps there are tokens available for you to place in the plate, as a sign of your generosity.*

### PREPARING THE TABLE:

#### **JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE (SGP 69)**

**J**esu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

**K**neels at the feet of his friends,  
silently washes their feet,  
Master who acts as a slave to them.

**J**esu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

Neighbors are rich folk and poor,  
neighbors are black, brown, and white,  
neighbors are nearby and far away.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

These are the ones we should serve,  
these are the ones we should love;  
all these are neighbors to us and you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

Loving puts us on our knees,  
serving as though we are slaves:  
this is the way we should live with you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love,  
show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

## **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

Presider: God our provider,  
**All: you have not fed us with bread alone,  
but with words of grace and life.  
Bless us and these your gifts,  
which we receive from your bounty,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER: (ELCIC – option D)**

Presider: May God be with you  
**People: And also with you**  
Presider: Lift up your hearts  
**People: We lift them up to God**

Presider: Let us give thanks to God our Creator  
**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

Presider: Blessed are you, O God of the universe.  
Your mercy is everlasting  
and your faithfulness endures from age to age.  
Praise to you for creating  
the heavens and the earth.  
Praise to you for saving  
the earth from the waters of the flood.  
Praise to you for bringing  
the Israelites safely through the sea.  
Praise to you for leading  
your people through the wilderness  
to the land of milk and honey.  
Praise to you for the words and deeds of  
Jesus, your anointed one.  
Praise to you for the death  
and resurrection of Christ.  
Praise to you for your Spirit  
poured out on all nations.

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.

Presider: With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's Passover from death  
to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

**All: O God of resurrection and new life:  
Pour out your Holy Spirit on us  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Bless this feast.  
Grace our table with your presence.  
Come, Holy Spirit.**

Presider: Reveal yourself to us in the  
breaking of the bread.  
Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.  
Breathe new life into us.  
Send us forth,  
burning with justice, peace, and love.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit.**

Presider: With Saint Catherine's and your holy ones of all  
times and places,  
with the earth and all its creatures,  
with sun and moon and stars,  
we praise you, O God,  
blessed and holy Trinity,  
now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER** *(Sung):*

**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:**    God of promise,  
                  you prepare a banquet for us at your table.

**People:**      **Happy are those who are called to the  
eternal supper of the Lamb.**

## **INVITATION TO THE TABLE:**

**Presider:**    The gifts of God for the people of God.

**People:**      **Thanks be to God.**

## **COMMUNION:**

*All people are welcome to receive Communion at the base of the stairs, or at the Altar.*

*We receive wine from a common cup. Please note intinction (dipping bread into the wine is not permitted). Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Please sanitize your hands before receiving.*

*While the communion is being administered, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence. Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.*



## COMMUNION MUSIC: AMAZING GRACE (CP 352)

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found:  
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace first taught my heart to fear  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider: Compassionate God,  
**All: you have fed us with the bread of heaven.  
Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage;  
may our fasting be hunger for justice;  
our alms, a making of peace;  
and our prayer, the song of grateful  
hearts; through Jesus Christ, our Saviour  
and Lord. Amen.**

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## SENDING

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### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Wardens**

#### **BLESSING – Rev. Angus Stuart**

#### **CLOSING HYMN: HOW GREAT THOU ART (SGP 50)**

**O** Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

#### *Refrain:*

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee;  
How great thou art! How great thou art!

**W**hen through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

**A**nd when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

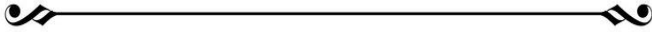
**W**hen Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!" [Refrain]

## DISMISSAL

**Presider:** Go forth, open to the dawning Light of Christ.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE



***Join us after the service at the back of the church for:  
Coffee and Conversations.***

### **Thank you for ministering this morning:**

**Presider and Preacher:** Rev. Angus Stuart

**Music:** Hyejung Jun and Choir

**Greeters:** Sharon Fedorak and Lori Burns

**Altar Guild:** Bonnie Grundy

**Readers:** Janet Benjamin and Laine Holland

**Intercessor:** Written Prayers by Sheila Baldock and read by  
Claire Louie

**Coffee team:** Penny Zuk, Elizabeth Barratt and  
Lynn Spence

**Eucharistic Administrators:** Pauline Barrett, Bonnie  
Grundy and Vivian McGie

**Livestream:** Ashkon Vahedi

**Sunday School:** Ethan Spence

## ***LENTEN STUDY BEGINS TODAY IN THE CHAPEL***

Letters to the Seven Churches

**All are invited to participate in a LENTEN STUDY following the Church Service on 4 Sundays:**

**March 16 – April 6, 2025**

**(Come to one, any or all the sessions please register)**

**The Study will focus on The Revelation to John 1 - 2**

### **Session 1 Introduction**

**& Ephesus** - abandonment of Love

**Session 2 Smyrna** – to not fear suffering

**& Pergamum** – issue with some teachings

**Session 3 Thyatira** – They tolerate Jezebel and her teachings

**& Sardis** – Awake from your spiritual sleep –

**Session 4 Philadelphia** – They have kept God's word even though they have little power and have shown patient endurance

**& Laodicea** – You are neither hot or cold "Behold I stand at the door and knock"



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