



Lent 5

April 6, 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
səlililwətaʔ (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*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND INTENTION: Rev. Angus Stuart

Silence is kept.

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.**

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 neighbours 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,
Christe eleison, Christe 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: FORTY DAYS AND FORTY NIGHTS (CP 175)

Forty days and forty nights
You were fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights,
Tempted still, yet unbeguiled.

Burning heat throughout the day,
Bitter cold when night had fled;
Prowling beasts around your way,
Stones your pillow, earth your bed.

Shall not we your sorrow share
And from earthly greed abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Strong with you to suffer pain?

Then if evil on us press,
Flesh or spirit to assail,
Victor in the wilderness,
Help us not to faint or fail!

Saviour, may we hear your voice
Keep us constant at your side;
And with you we shall rejoice
At the eternal Eastertide

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Collect):

Presider: Extravagant God,
All: **Lavishing your love on our poverty of heart: inspire us to give without stint, to lose life that we might find it again, so the world will be filled with the fragrance of your love; through Jesus the Christ, who offers himself for us. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 43:16-21

Look and see – God is making all things new...

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and
horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not
remember the former things, or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you
not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and
rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the
wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen
people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they
might declare my praise.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 126

Led by John Luccock

Leader: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

**People: Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, "The
Lord has done great things for them."**

Leader: The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.

**People: Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the watercourses of the Negeb.**

Leader: Those who sowed with tears
will reap with songs of joy.

**People: Those who go out weeping, carrying the
seed, will come again with joy,
shouldering their sheaves.**

SECOND READING: PHILLIPPIANS 3:4b-14

Pressing on to the hope that is before us...

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all

things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN: FAIREST LORD JESUS (CP 619)

Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature
O thou the Godhead's human son:
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honor
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown

Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer
who makes the troubled heart to sing

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 12:1-8

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A contrast of mental attitudes: poverty and abundance...

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Presider: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL HYMN cont... (CP 619)

Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
And fair the twinkling, starry host:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

All fairest beauty,
heavenly and earthly,
wondrously, Jesus is found in thee,
none can be nearer,
Fairer, or dearer
than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

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;
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.**

PRAYER

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'.*

COMMUNION

OFFERTORY



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Catherine's, please use an envelope provided.
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be issued if name and address are included;
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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:

LORD, WHOSE LOVE IN HUMBLE SERVICE (CP 585)

Lord, whose love in humble service
bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken,
worked your mercy's perfect deed;
we, your servants, bring the worship
not of voice alone, but heart;
consecrating to your purpose
every gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless;
still the hungry cry for bread;
still the captives long for freedom;
still in grief, we mourn our dead.
As you, Lord, in deep compassion
healed the sick and freed the soul,
by your spirit, send your power
to our world make it whole.

As we worship, grant us vision
till your love's revealing light
in its height and depth and greatness
dawns upon our quickened sight,
making known the needs and burdens
your compassion bids us bear,
stirring us to ardent service,
your abundant life to share.

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.
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 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 wafer 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:

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS (SGP 95)

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness,
Great is thy faithfulness,
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hast provided;
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. [Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine and ten thousand beside. [Refrain]

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.**

Presider: 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.**

SENDING

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Wardens

BLESSING – Rev. Angus Stuart

CLOSING HYMN: LIFT HIGH THE CROSS (CP 602)

Refrain:
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name!

Come, Christian people, sing your praises, shout!
If we are silent, even stones cry out. [Refrain]

Jesus, you wept to see our human strife;
teach us compassion for each human life. [Refrain]

Pease was your plea, and peace your loving theme:
let peace be our passport, peace a living dream. [Refrain]

Great is the cost of walking on this road,
to follow and suffer with the Son of God. [Refrain]

Worlds to be born and children yet to be,
Come, take up this song into eternity. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

Presider: Let us go forth, open to the dawning Light of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



Join us after the service for:
Coffee

Thank you for ministering this morning:

Presider and Preacher: Rev. Angus Stuart

Music: Hyejung Jun and Choir

Greeters: Marion Porter and Gillian Holland

Altar Guild: Vivian McGie

Readers: John Luccock and Sharon Fedorak

Intercessor: Lynn Spence

Coffee team: Penny Zuk, Marthe Duncombe and Elizabeth Barratt

Eucharistic Administrators: Elizabeth Barratt, Lynn Spence and Vivian McGie

Livestream: Ashkon Vahedi

Sunday School: Ethan Spence

Holy Week & Easter

April 13: 10am Palm Sunday – Holy Week begins

April 17: 6pm Maundy Thursday – Eucharist

April 18: 12 noon Good Friday Meditation on the Cross: Hope in Troubled Times

April 19: 5pm Kindling the Fire of New Life

April 20: 10am Easter Sunday



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