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St. Catherine's Mission, Vision and Values

St. Catherine's Anglican Church, at the heart of Edgemont Village in North Vancouver on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Squamish and 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 səliİilwəta¾ (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations

As you enter the church, we invite you to light a votive candle to remember a person or situation that you carry on your heart. Candles are also available during communion.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

AII

Welcome & Intention: Rev Angus Stuart

A moment of silent reflection.

Presider Alleluia Christ is Risen!

People Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia.

Presider As we gather on the unceded and ancestral

lands of Coast Salish nations, let us pray that

Christ's grace and peace will be with us.

May we be ministers of the reconciling

love of the Risen Christ.

May our hearts be filled with joy. Alleluia!

GLORIA (CP 376)

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Presider Friends, The Light of Christ is among us.

All Alleluia! Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

GATHERING HYMN: THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED (VU 190)

The head that once was crowned with thorns Is crowned with glory now;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty victor's brow.
The highest place that Heav'n affords
Is his, is his by right,
The King of Kings and Lord of Lords,
And Heav'n's eternal light.

The joy of all who dwell above,
The joy of all below,
To whom he manifests his love
And grants his name to know.
To them, the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace is giv'n;
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of Heav'n.

They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with him above;
Their profit and their joy to know
The myst'ry of his love.
The cross he bore is life and health,
Tho' shame and death to him;
His people's hope, his people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider All O God of peace,

who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

In the continuing story of the early church, Peter raises a woman from the dead...

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

ACTS 9:36-43

Reader Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

Led by Penny Zuk

Leader The Lord is my shepherd,

I shall not be in want.

People He makes me lie down in green

pastures and leads me beside still

waters.

Leader He revives my soul and guides me along

right pathways for his name's sake.

People Though I walk through the valley

of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil;

for you are with me; your rod and

your staff, they comfort me.

Leader You spread a table before me in the

presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my

cup is running over.

People Surely your goodness and mercy

shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of

the Lord for ever.

SECOND READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF REVELATION TO JOHN

A vision of restoration and peace when the Lamb that was slain becomes the Good Shepherd...

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

REVELATION 7:9-17

Reader Let us hear what the Spirit is saying

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL HYMN: YOUR HAND, O GOD, HAS GUIDED (CP 444)

Thy hand, O God, has guided your flock, from age to age; the wondrous tale is written, full clear, on every page; our foreheads owned your goodness, and we their deeds record; and both of this bear witness; one church, one faith, one Lord.

Your heralds brought glad tidings to greatest as to least; they bade men rise, and hasten to share the royal feast and this was all their teaching, in every deed and word, to all alike proclaiming one church, one faith, one Lord.

When shadows thickly falling, engulfed the world in night thou, summoned forth your servant your messengers of light On them and on your people and this was still their message. one church, one faith, one Lord.

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 10: 22-30

The sheep follow the shepherd because they know his voice...

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.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jewish religious authorities gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Presider The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL HYMN CONTINUED

And we, shall we be faithless
Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the struggle
and cast away the crown?
Not so, in God's deep counsels
some better gift is stored:
the covenant of promise —
one Church, one Faith, one Lord.

Thy mercy will not fail us, nor leave thy work undone; with thy right hand to help us, your people shall be one: and then, by all creation, thy name shall be adored, and this shall be their anthem: one church, one faith, one Lord.

HOMILY – Rev. Angus Stuart

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Presider Moses said,

All Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God,

the Lord is one.

Presider And Jesus affirmed:

A// Love the Lord your God with

all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great

commandment, the second is like it:

Love your neighbor as yourself.

A// There is no commandment greater

than these.

Spirit of God, search our hearts.

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION

Presider Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table.

Let us confess our sins,

confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Presider Most merciful God,

A// 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.

Presider Almighty 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.

A// Amen.

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

PREPARING THE TABLE FAIREST LORD JESUS (CP 619)

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the 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 woeful heart to sing.

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

All fairest beauty, Heavenly and earthly, Wondrously Jesis, is found in thee; none can be nearer, fairer or dearer than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider The Lord is here!

People The Spirit of God is with us!

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider It is our joy and our salvation,

holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and

praise through Christ your only Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image; male and female you created us.

When we turn away from you, you call us back to yourself.

You gave your Son to share our human nature. You raised him to life triumphant over death;

you exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death, a new age has

dawned, a broken world restored and we are made whole once more.

In him you have made us a holy people

by sending upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, ever praising you and singing:

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.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father; on the night before he died your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

All Christ has died;
Christ is risen – alleluia!
Christ will come again.
Amen! Come Lord Jesus.

Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation.

Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O

God, in songs of everlasting praise.

All Blessing, honour and glory be yours,

here and everywhere, now and for ever. 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.

All: 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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

Presider Lord, we died with you the cross.

All Now we are raised to new life.

Presider: We were buried in the tomb.

All Now we share in your resurrection.

Presider Live in us,

A// that we may live in you.

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God

People Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION:

All people are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Wafers), or Communion of one or both kinds at the Altar. 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: HERE, LORD, WE TALK THE BROKEKN BREAD (CP 65)

Here, Lord, we take the broken bread And drink the wine, believing That by your life our souls are fed, Your parting gifts receiving.

As you have given, so we would give Ourselves for others healing: As you have lived, so we would live, The Fathers love revealing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of steadfast love,
watch over the Church redeemed
by the blood of your Son.
May we who share in these holy mysteries
come safely to your eternal kingdom,
where there is one flock and one shepherd.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen
Lord. Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: A Churchwarden

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.

BLESSING Rev. Angus Stuart

SENDING HYMN: PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS (CP 397)

Praise the one who break the darkness with a liberating light.
Praise the one who frees the prisoners turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel healing every dread disease.
calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word.

Praise the one who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.

Praise the one who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand.

From this well comes living water quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ who suffered in our place. Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and gladness seeing what our God has done. Praise the one redeeming glory, praise the One who makes us one.

DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go in the peace of the risen Christ,

alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!



Please join us after the service for coffee at the back of the church.

Thank you for ministering this morning:

Presider and Preacher: Rev. Angus Stuart

Musician: Hyejung Jun and Choir

Altar Guild: Bonnie Grundy

Greeters: Lori Burns and Bob Paxton

Eucharistic

Administrators: Elizabeth Barratt and Lynn Spence

Intercessor: Lynn Spence

Readers: Elizabeth Barratt and Penny Zuk

Coffee Group: Penny Zuk, Ivy Howes and

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