



Fifth Sunday in Easter May 18, 2025

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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
Situating on the unceded traditional Coast Salish territory
of the Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səlililwətaʔ (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

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.

All **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:

JESUS SHALL REIGN WHERE'ER THE SUN (CP 383)

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run,
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song,
and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
the highest honors to our King,
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider

Almighty God,

All

your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

The Holy Spirit blows where she will...

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?"

When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

ACTS 11:1-18

Reader Let us hear what the Spirit is saying.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 148

Led By Penny Zuk

Leader Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights.

People **Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars.**

Leader Praise him, heaven of heavens,
and you waters above the heavens.

People **Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created. He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

Leader Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps;

People **Fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing his will;
Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;
Wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and winged birds;**

Leader Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;

People **Young men and maidens,
old and young together.
Let them praise the Name of the Lord,
for his Name only is exalted,
his splendour is over earth and heaven.**

SECOND READING:

A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN

St John's vision that all things shall be well...

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

REVELATION 21:1-6

Reader Let us hear what the Spirit is saying
People **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN:
GREAT GOD, YOUR LOVE HAS CALLED US HERE
(CP 442)

Great God, your love has called us here
as we, by love, for love were made.
Your living likeness still we bear,
though marred, dishonored, disobeyed.
We come, with all our heart and mind,
your call to hear, your love to find.

We come with self-inflicted pains
of broken trust and chosen wrong;
half-free, half-bound by inner chains;
by social forces swept along,
by powers and systems close confined;
yet seeking hope for humankind.

Great God, in Christ you call our name
and then receive us as your own
not through some merit, right, or claim,
but by your gracious love alone.
We strain to glimpse your mercy seat
and find you kneeling at our feet.

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 13: 31-35

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.**

The New Commandment

When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only

a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Judeans so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

JOHN 13:31-35

Presider

The Gospel of Christ.

People

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL HYMN CONTINUED (CP 442)

Then take the towel, and break the bread,
and humble us, and call us friends.
Suffer and serve till all are fed,
and show how grandly love intends
to work till all creation sings,
to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

Great God, in Christ you set us free,
your life to live, your joy to share.
Give your Spirit's liberty
to turn from guilt and dull despair
and offer all that faith can do
while love is making all things new.

HOMILY – Rev. Angus Stuart

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed (Tuesday, May 20 is the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea.)

Presider Let us confess our faith, as we say together,

All **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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,
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.**

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.
All **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

GOD, WHEN I STAND, NO PATH BEFORE ME (CP 558)

God, when I stand, no path before me clear,
when every prayer seems prisoner of my pain,
come with a gentleness which calms my fear;
Lord of my helplessness, my victory gain.

When all my prayers no answer seem to bring,
and there is silence in my deepest soul,
when in the wilderness I find no spring,
Lord of the desert places, keep me whole.

When the dark lord of loneliness prevails,
and, all defeated, joy and friendship die,
come, be my joy, such love that never fails;
pierce the self pity of my shadowed sky.

When, as did Thomas, I presume thee dead,
feeling and faith itself within me cold,
freshen my lips with wine, my soul with bread;
banish my poverty with heaven's gold.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Gracious God,
you show us your way and give us your divine life.
May everything we do be directed by the knowledge
of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ
the risen Lord. 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,
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.
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,
All **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: I COME WITH JOY (CP 60)

I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here.

Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of love,
in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared
in your life. May we always walk in your way,
in the name of Jesus Christ the 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:

GLORY TO GOD ON HIGH (CP 365)

Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
our heavenly King. We give you praise,
almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Father's only Son,
the sacrificial Lamb,
who saves the world from sin, have mercy Lord.
Beside the Father's hand enthroned, now hear our prayer

You only are the Lord, You only are most high.
You only are the holy one, Lord Jesus Christ,
And now you reign
with Father and with Spirit one in glorious light.

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 & Preacher: Rev. Angus Stuart

Musician: HeyJung Oh and Choir

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