Statherines ANGLICAN CHURCH



Second Sunday after Pentecost June 22, 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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GATHERING

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Welcome & Intention: Rev Angus Stuart

A moment of silent reflection.

Presider As we gather on these ancestral lands of Coast Salish First 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 !

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Presider We pray together:

All O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: LORD, YOU GIVE THE GREAT COMMISSION (VU 512)

Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word." Lest the Church neglect its mission and the Gospel go unheard, help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity: with the Spirit's gifts empower Us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach." That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each, give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community: with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you make the common holy: "This my body, this my blood." let us all, for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward, asking that the world around us share your children's liberty: with the spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive." yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give. may your care and mercy lead us to a just society: with the spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry. Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I Am with you to the end." Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend, and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity: with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:1-4, 8-15A

God meets the prophet Elijah in the time of deep despair...

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." [...] He got up and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in

pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

1 KINGS 19:1-4, 8-15A

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

PSALMS 42 AND 43

LED BY PENNY ZUK

Leader	As the deer longs for the water-brooks, so my soul longs for you, O God.
People	My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
Leader	My tears have been my food day and night, while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God!"
People	I pour out my soul when I think on these things: how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God, with the voice of praise and thanksgiving, among those who keep holy-day.
Leader	Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? and why are you so disquieted within me?

People	Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
Leader	My soul is heavy within me; therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.
People	One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; all your rapids and floods have gone over me.
Leader	The Lord grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; in the night season his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.
People	I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you forgotten me? and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"
Leader	While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me to my face; All day long they mock me and say to me, "Where now is your God?"
People	Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? and why are you so disquieted within me?
Leader	Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
Leader	Give judgement for me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.
People	For you are the God of my strength; why have you put me from you? and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?

- *Leader* Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling;
- People that I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my joy and gladness; and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God.
- Leader Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? and why are you so disquieted within me?
 People Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

SECOND READING:

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE GALATIANS

All are one in Christ.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

GALATIANS 3:23-29

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

GOSPEL HYMN: 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 to make it whole.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 8:26-39

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.

A story of deliverance and wholeness...

Then they arrived at the country of the Gergesenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gergesenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

LUKE 8:26-39

PresiderThe Gospel of Christ.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL HYMN CONTINUED (CP 585)

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.

HOMILY – Rev. Angus Stuart

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Our affirmation of faith this week is based on Philippians 2:6-11.

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

A// Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but emptied himself, taking the form of one who serves. Born in human likeness, he humbled himself and was obedient to death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him, and given him the name that is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow and every tongue proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the Glory of God the Father. 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 All	Most merciful God, 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 AS LONGS THE HEART (CP 541)

As long the hart for flowing streams, So longs my soul for you, O God; my soul does thirst for the living God; when shall I come to see your face?

My tears have fed me day and night, while others said, "Where is your God?" but I recall, as my soul pours dry, the days of praise within your house.

Why do I mourn and toil within, when it is mine to hope in God? I shall again sing praise to God, who is my help, who is my God.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, you have made our Saviour Jesus Christ the head of all creation. Receive all we offer you this day and renew us in his risen life, in the name of Jesus Christ the 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.

PresiderLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give our thanks and praise.PresiderIt is our joy and our salvation.

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.

And so we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Presider 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	We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
A//	We, being many, are one body,
	for we all share in one bread.

PresiderThe gifts of God for the people of GodPeopleThanks 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: 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 AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God guide and protect your people who share in this sacred mystery, and keep us always in your love; through Jesus Christ our 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: TO GOD BE THE GLORY (CP 371)

To God be the glory, who great things has done! God so loved the world, freely sending the Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life – gate that all may go in.

Refrain	Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice; Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice;
	O come to the Father,
	through Jesus the Son,
	and give God the glory,
	who great things has done!

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God; that when the offender, repenting, believes, through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives. That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Refrain

Great things God has taught us, great things God has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer, and higher, and greater will be Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see.

Refrain

DISMISSAL

PresiderLet us go in the love and peace of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

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 Oh and Choir	
Altar Guild:	Susana Wensley	
Greeters:	Marion Porter and Gillian Holland	
Eucharistic		
Administrators:	Bonnie Grundy and Vivian McGie	
Intercessor:	Written prayers by Bev London read by	
	Laine Holland	
Readers:	Penny Zuk and Elizabeth Barratt	
Coffee Group:	Penny Zuk, Julia Hadrill	
	Elizabeth Barratt	
Livestream:	Ashkon Vahedi	
Sunday School:	Shaunti Bains	



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