



November 23, 2025

The Last Sunday after Pentecost:
Reign of Christ & St. Catherine's Day

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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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

Welcome & Intention: The Rev. Sarah Lehman

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Deacon We acknowledge that we live, work, and worship on the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary lands of the Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations. We are grateful for and will advocate for Indigenous communities, we mourn those who were forcibly removed, and we grieve the legacies of colonialism. We seek to hold ourselves accountable to taking up the work of truth and reconciliation ever more meaningfully, day by day.

All **May we be ministers of the reconciling love of the Risen Christ.**

Deacon The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

GLORIA (Peruvian Gloria)

Leader Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father!

All **Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father!**

Leader To Him be glory forever!

All **To Him be glory forever!**

<i>Leader</i>	Alleluia, amen!
All	Alleluia, amen!
<i>Leader</i>	Alleluia, amen!
All	Alleluia, amen!
<i>Leader</i>	Alleluia, amen!
All	Alleluia, amen!

Verse 2:...glory to Christ Jesus!

...To Him be glory forever!

Verse 3....glory to the Spirit!

...To Her be glory forever!

THE COLLECT

<i>Deacon</i>	Let us pray.
All	God of unbroken weakness, you scorn our lust for power. Keep us faithful to Jesus Christ, crucified and victorious, in whose authority we dare to speak your truth, even in the face of injustice and death. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN:

BLESSED FEASTS OF BLESSED MARTYRS (CP 284)

Blessed feasts of blessed martyrs,
 holy women, holy men,
 with our love and admiration
 greet we your return again.
 Worthy deeds are theirs and wonders,
 worthy of the name they bore;
 we, with joyful praise and singing
 honour them for evermore.

Faith prevailing, hope unfailing,
loving Christ with single heart,
thus they, glorious and victorious
bravely bore the martyr's part,
by contempt of every anguish,
by unyielding battle done;
victors at the last, they triumph
with the host of angels one.

Therefore, all that reign in glory,
strong and sure with Christ on high,
join to ours your supplication
when before him we draw nigh,
praying that, this life completed,
all its fleeting moments past,
by his grace we may be worthy
of eternal bliss at last.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23:1-6

Reader A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days, Judah will be saved and

Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
All Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE 19: SONG OF ZECHARIAH (LUKE 1:68-79)

Led by Heather Luccock

Leader Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.

People The dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Leader Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

People The dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Leader This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

People The dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Leader You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

People **The dawn from on high shall break upon us.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:11-20

Reader *A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians*

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers - all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things,

whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
All **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN: FAITH OF OUR FATHERS (VU 580)

Faith of our fathers, living still
in spite of dungeon, fire and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
were still in heart and conscience free;
And blest would be their children's fate,
if they, like them should die for thee:
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 23:33-43

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Luke
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The

soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY The Rev. Sarah Lehman

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Deacon Let us affirm our faith, saying together

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy
Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.**

**He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION

Deacon 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.

Deacon 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.**

All **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.**

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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: FOR ALL THE SAINTS (CP 276)

For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might,
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant Let us pray.
All **Father,
We give you thanks for the witness of
your saint Catherine of Alexandria.
Accept our offering this day
and give your peace and consolation
to those who suffer for the proclamation of
your name. We ask this in the name of
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 4

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord, our God, sustainer of the
universe, you are worthy of glory and
praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be:
the vast expanse of interstellar space,
galaxies, suns, the planets in their
courses, and this fragile earth, our island
home; by your will they were created
and have their being.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant

From the primal elements
you brought forth the human race, and
blessed us with memory, reason, and
skill; you made us the stewards of
creation.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

But we turn against you, and betray your
trust; and we turn against one another.
Again and again you call us to return.
Through the prophets and sages you
reveal your righteous law.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son,
born of a woman, to be our Saviour. He
was wounded for our transgressions, and
bruised for our iniquities.

By his death he opened to us the way of
freedom and peace.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Therefore we praise you,
joining with the heavenly chorus,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and
with those in every generation who have
looked to you in hope, to proclaim with
them your glory, in their unending hymn:

All

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full,
full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest,
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest!

Celebrant

Blessed are you, Lord our God,
for sending us Jesus, the Christ,
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread, said the blessing,
broke the bread, gave it to his friends,
and said, "Take this, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper,
he took the cup of wine;
he gave you thanks,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Gracious God,
we recall the death of your Son Jesus
Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and
ascension, and we look with expectation
for his coming as Lord of all the nations.

We who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the
Spirit, now bring you these gifts.

Celebrant Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this offering of your Church,
that we who eat and drink at this holy
table may share the divine life of Christ
our Lord.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth
and make it your new creation.
Gather your Church together
from the ends of the earth into your
kingdom, where peace and justice are
revealed, that we, with all your people,
of every language, race, and nation,
may share the banquet you have
promised; through Christ, with Christ, and
in Christ, all honour and glory are yours,
creator of all.

People **Glory to you for ever and 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.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

All **God is here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God
People **Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion of one kind (Bread or Wafers), or in both kinds (Bread and Wine). Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Please sanitize your hands before receiving.

Please do not instinct (dip) the Bread or Wafer in the cup.

To preserve worshippers' privacy, we do not livestream the administration of Communion.

While Communion is being received, we respectfully ask that you keep the silence. Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

COMMUNION MUSIC:

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING (VU 326)

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy Name.

Jesus! the Name that charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above
the Church in earth and heaven.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray
<i>All</i>	God of courage, as we are nourished by the bread of life, inspire us with the memory of your servant, Catherine of Alexandria, and give us courage to witness with our lives to your Son's victory over sin and death; through Jesus Christ, whose reign of peace and justice shall have no end. Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS: A Churchwarden

<i>Celebrant</i>	Glory to God,
<i>All</i>	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.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

BLESSING The Rev. José Luis Aranda

SENDING HYMN:

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS (CP 378)

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne:
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died to be
your Saviour and your matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing
who died and reigns on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace,
his kingdom is at hand
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end;
and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For you have died for me;
your praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**



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

Thank you for ministering this morning:

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