

Open To The Light
ST Catherines
ANGELICAN CHURCH



Sunday, August 30, 2026
Holy Eucharist
Pentecost 14

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.

Liturgical Note

In the context of Christian liturgy, Israel and Zion do not refer to the modern political state, but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East or, in Christian theology, to all who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

GATHERING

Welcome The Rev. Angus Stuart

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

Presider 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.

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

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

People **And also with you.**

GLORIA (CP 376)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia. [repeat]

GATHERING HYMN: CALLED TO FAITH (SNC 137)

Called to faith, your people gather.

Christ our brother, in your name,
knowing need of one another,
faces different hearts the same,
growing in your holy likeness,
open, healing, Spirit spurred,
families formed for loving service,
fed by bread and wine and word.

Called to hope, your people serve you
as they reach out through your grace,
seeking out your mission's purpose,
being Christ in every place,
working for shalom and justice,
learning how to simply share
so your will may be enacted
as we ask in daily prayer.

Called to love, your people challenge
all that silences, your song:
prejudice and greed and malice,
weak exploited by the strong.
Serving Jesus in self-giving,
choosing your will, not our own,
we will truly be your people
so your kingdom can be grown.

THE COLLECT

Presider Let us pray.

All O God,
whose word burns like a fire within us:
grant us a bold and faithful spirit,
so that, in your strength,
we may be unafraid to speak your word
and follow where you lead;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: EXODUS 3:1-15

Reader A reading from Exodus

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them

up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45C

Led by Elizabeth Barratt

Leader Give thanks to the Lord
 and call upon the divine name;
 make known the deeds of the Lord
 among the peoples.

People **Sing to the Lord, sing praises,**
 and speak of all the marvellous works of
 the Lord.

Leader Glory in the holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

People **Search for the strength of the Lord;
continually seek the presence of God.**

Leader Remember the wonderful works the Lord has done, the miracles, and the judgments of the mouth of the Lord,

People **offspring of Abraham the servant of God,
O children of Jacob the chosen of the Lord.**

Leader Israel came into Egypt,
and Jacob lived as an alien
in the land of Ham.

People **The Lord made this people exceedingly
fruitful, making them stronger than their
enemies;**

Leader whose heart God turned,
so that they hated this people,
and dealt unjustly with the servants of God.

People **O Lord, you sent Moses your servant,
and Aaron whom you had chosen.**

Leader Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: ROMANS 12:9-21

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

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all.

If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL HYMN:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY (CP 1)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:

holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

GOSPEL READING: MATTHEW 16:21-28

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord!

This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

GOSPEL HYMN continued (CP 1)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

HOMILY *The Rev. Angus Stuart*

Silent Reflection

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

Presider Let us affirm our faith, saying,

A// 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.

A// 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

RECONCILIATION

Please rise, in body or in spirit.

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
against God and our neighbours,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Presider God of all mercy,
All we confess
that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness
in each other, in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in our love
and serve only your will. Amen.

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.

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."

OFFERTORY



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COMMUNION

PREPARING THE TABLE:

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE (CP 56)

I am the bread, the bread of life;
who comes to me will never hunger.
I am the bread, the bread of heaven;
who feeds on me, will never die.
And as you eat, remember me –
my body broken on the tree:
my life was given to set you free.
and I'm alive for evermore.

I am the vine, the living vine;
apart from me you can do nothing.
I am the vine, the real vine;
abide in me and I in you.
And as you drink, remember me –
my blood was shed upon the tree:
my life was given to set you free,
and I'm alive for evermore.

So eat this bread, and drink this wine,
and as you do, receive this life of mine,
All that I am, I give to you,
that you may live for evermore.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Presider Let us pray.
All **Merciful God,
receive all we offer you this day.
Give us grace to love one another
that your love may be made perfect in us.
We ask this in the name of
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (#5)

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

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 We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
for the gift of a world full of wonder,
and for our life which comes from you.
By your power you sustain the universe.
People **Glory to you forever and ever.**

Presider You created us to love you with all our heart,
and to love each other as ourselves,
but we rebel against you by the evil that we do.

Presider

In Jesus, your Son,
you bring healing to our world
and gather us into one great family.
Therefore, with all you serve you
on earth and in heaven,
we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

All

**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.**

Presider

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father,
Because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us,
you showed us how much you love us.
He cares for the poor and the hungry.
He suffers with the sick and the rejected.

Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back
but overcame hatred with love.

On the cross

He defeated the power of sin and death.

By raising him from the dead

you show us the power of your love

to bring new life to all your people.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider On the night before he gave up his life for us,
Jesus, at supper with his friends,
took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them,
saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and
said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which is shed for you and for many,
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me."

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

Presider Gracious God,
with this bread and wine
we celebrate the death and resurrection of
Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him.

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts,
that we may know the presence of Jesus
in the breaking of the bread,
and share in the life
of the family of your children.

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

Presider Father, you call us to be your servants;
fill us with the courage and love of Jesus,
that all the world may gather in joy
at the table of your kingdom.

Presider We sing your praise, almighty Father,
through Jesus, our Lord,
in the power of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

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

LORD'S PRAYER (*Sung*):

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

THE INVITATION

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

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Communion in one kind (Bread or Wafer), or in both kinds (Bread/Wafer and Wine).

Please sanitize your hands before receiving.

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

Gluten-free wafers are available on request to the priest.

While Communion is being shared, please keep the silence or join the singing. Communion is not recorded or livestreamed for worshippers' privacy.

Candle lighting during this time is welcomed.

COMMUNION MUSIC: BE STILL

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Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here;
Come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground,
be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.
He burns with holy fire,
with splendor He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light;
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

All O God, our life, our strength, our food,
we give you thanks for sustaining us
with the body and blood of your Son.
By your Holy Spirit, enliven us
to be his body in the world,
so that more and more
we will give you praise
and serve your earth and its many peoples,
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and
Lord. Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Churchwarden

THE DOXOLOGY

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

The Rev. Angus Stuart

SENDING HYMN:

FORTH IN THY NAME, O LORD, I GO (CP 467)

Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labour to pursue;
thee, only Thee, resolved to know
in all I think or speak or do.

The task thy wisdom hath assigned,
O let me cheerfully fulfil;
in all my works thy presence find,
and prove thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes mine inmost substance see,
and labour on at thy command,
and offer all my works to Thee.

Give me to bear thy easy yoke,
and every moment watch and pray,
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to thy glorious day,

for thee delightfully employ
what e'er thy bounteous grace hath given,
and run my course with even joy
and closely walk with thee to heaven.

DISMISSAL

Presider 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:

Presider	The Rev. Angus Stuart
Accompanist	Tom Artnzen
Altar Guild	Bonnie Grundy
Greeters	Lori Burns and Marthe Duncombe
Eucharistic Administrator	Vivian McGie
Intercessor	Heather Luccock
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