



CHRIST CHURCH
CATHEDRAL
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY

Sunday, September 6, 2020 — Proper 23, Year A

10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider: The Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker
Musical Setting: Messe à Notre Dame (Soeur St Jean)

Please sit in designated chairs or pews, maintaining 2 metres distance in all directions. Households may sit together. Children are invited to remain with their parents or guardians.

This service is being televised live on the Internet. By attending this morning, you acknowledge and consent to the fact that video images of you may appear in that live stream.

Dominical Greeting & Sunday Notices

The Reverend Ross Bliss

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

People **And also with you.**

Organ Prelude: Kyrie—Plein jeu (Messe pour les couvents)

François Couperin (d. 1733)

The Gathering of the Community

All stand as the chancel party enters from the side.

Collect for Purity

please remain standing

Presider Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open,**

all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie eleison

sung by the choir

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Presider Let us hold this moment open to God's grace.

Creator of the fruitful earth,
you made us stewards of all things.
Stir up the wills of your faithful people.
Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness,
and steadfast wills to use your bounty well,
that the whole human family,
now and in generations to come,
may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
People **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Exodus 12.1-14 / all seated

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Response to the Reading: Psalm 149

remain seated / sung by choir

Antiphon Let the children of Zion be joyful in their king, hallelujah.

Sing to the Lord a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in his maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.

Let them praise his name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds,

Let the praises of God in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;

to wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;

to bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;

to inflict on them the judgement decreed: *
this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah.

Antiphon Let the children of Zion be joyful in their king, hallelujah.

Second Reading

Romans 13.8-14

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia!

All stand as the Book of the Gospels is carried to the chancel step, and the choir sings the gospel acclamation.

Gospel Reading

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Matthew 18.15-20

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily
The Prayers of the People

*The Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker
please stand, sit or kneel as preferred*

Leader We pray to you Lord,
People **Hear our prayer.**

Confession and Absolution

The presider invites the community to make its confession.

Presider Most merciful God,
We confess our sin, and the sins of our society, in the misuse of God's creation.

Presider God our Father,
we are sorry for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly,
and acted ungratefully.
Hear our prayer, and in your mercy:
All **forgive us and help us.**

Presider We enjoy the fruits of the harvest,
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.
Father, in your mercy:
All **forgive us and help us.**

Presider We belong to a people who are full and satisfied,
but ignore the cry of the hungry.
Father, in your mercy:
All **forgive us and help us.**

Presider We are thoughtless,
and do not care enough for the world you have made.
Father, in your mercy:
All **forgive us and help us.**

Presider We store up goods for ourselves alone,
as if there were no God and no heaven.
Father, in your mercy:
All **forgive us and help us.**

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.
People **Amen.**

The Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

*Handshakes and other forms of touch are not permitted at this time.
Please exchange the peace with your neighbours using a suitable gesture.*

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Please remain seated while the altar is prepared with gifts of bread and wine. The collection basket will not be passed hand to hand. A spare basket may be found at the Quadra Street exit, for those who wish to make a gift on their way out. Our donation kiosk at the Quadra Street doors is also available.

Prayer over the Gifts

Deacon Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours,
yet you have made us stewards of your bounty.
Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this day,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Islands and Inlets Eucharistic Prayer B / many prefer to stand

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 Holy and eternal One,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
you are our origin and our fulfillment;
we praise and thank you for drawing us to this sacred meal.
From the ocean of your primal love,

you fashioned the marvel of creation,
and beauty of human life.
From this land of towering forests and mist-laden coastlines,
you humble us and affirm the sacred gift of all creation,
calling us to care for everything given and received.

All **Glory to you, source of all life.**

Presider From the earliest days the peoples of these islands and inlets learned their
dependence on your provision:
salmon and deer, song and ceremony, dance and painted cedar
hallowed these sacred relationships with all life.

All **Glory to you, source of all life.**

Presider In Jesus Christ, you came into our world
to reveal your glory, reconcile all peoples to yourself,
and make all things new in him.
Now, gathered from many places,
and joining with the saints of every time and place,
we raise our thankful voices in songs of unending praise.

<i>Choir</i>	<i>Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,</i>	Holy, holy, holy,
	<i>Dominus Deus Sabaoth.</i>	Lord God of hosts.
	<i>Pleni sunt coeli et terra</i>	Heaven and earth are full
	<i>gloria tua.</i>	of your glory.
	<i>Hosanna in excelsis.</i>	Hosanna in the highest.
	<i>Benedictus qui venit</i>	Blessed is he who comes
	<i>in nomine Domini.</i>	in the name of the Lord.
	<i>Hosanna in excelsis.</i>	Hosanna in the highest.

Presider Blessed are you, most holy One:
for on the night before he died
Jesus took bread, gave you thanks,
broke it, gave it to all gathered, and said:
“Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you,
do this in remembrance of me.”
After supper, he took the cup, gave you thanks,
and gave it to them saying: “Drink this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
which is given for you,
do this in remembrance of me.”

All **“Behold, I am with you to the end of the age”.**

Presider Therefore, God of all creation,
we lift this Bread of Life, and this Cup of Salvation.
Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts, and upon us,
that we may know Jesus in the breaking of the bread,
and follow him in lives of selfless service and courageous love.

All **Glory to you, source of all life.**

Presider In the fullness of time reconcile all things in Christ,
and bring us to that heavenly table,
where every tear will be wiped away and we will feast anew.
Blessing, praise and thanksgiving be to you,
Holy and Eternal One, Undivided Trinity,
One God, now and forever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL)

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All say **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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider "I am the bread which has come down from
heaven," says the Lord.

All **Give us this bread for ever.**

Presider "I am the vine and you are the branches."

All **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

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

Fraction Anthem

many prefer to be seated

Choir *Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.*
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The Communion

The sacrament will be distributed at a standing station at the chancel step. Please follow the directions of the sidesperson, who will invite those seated to one side of the centre aisle to receive first, followed by those seated on the other side.

When proceeding up the centre aisle, please maintain 2 metres distance between communicants, and return to your seat via your side aisle.

At this time, the sacrament will be administered under the form of bread only. The Church has always taught that receiving in one kind (bread or wine) conveys the fulness of Christ's sacramental presence.

Anthem: O salutaris hostia

Pasquale Pisari (d. 1778)

*O salutaris hostia,
quae coeli pandis ostium;
bella premunt hostilia,
da robur, fer auxilium.*

O saving Victim,
who expands the door of heaven,
hostile armies press,
give strength; bear aid.

Prayers after Communion

please stand

Presider Renewed by the bread from the heavenly table,
the food of fellowship and solidarity,
we beseech you, Lord, that,
it may confirm our hearts
and stir us to serve you

in striving for the renewal of the earth, our common home;
through Christ our Lord,
People **Amen.**

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.**

The Blessing

Presider God the Father, who created the world,
give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation. **Amen.**

God the Son, who redeemed the world,
inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation,
help you to bear the fruits of love, joy and peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing... **Amen.**

The Sending Forth of the Community

The Dismissal

Deacon Tend the earth, care for God's good creation,
and bring forth the fruits of righteousness.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
All **In the name of Christ. Alleluia!**

Voluntary: Offertoire (Messe pour les couvents)

François Couperin (d. 1733)

Please use the Quadra Street doors to exit the cathedral. As you leave the cathedral, please take your leaflet with you. We regret that for safety's sake, there is no opportunity for refreshments, queueing up to greet the clergy, or congregating outdoors.

Thank you for being part of today's service.



The Flowers at the high altar are placed to the glory of God.

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia. Here we respectfully acknowledge that we gather to worship on the traditional lands of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations. We also have also adopted ten aspirational statements to guide our priorities and decision-making, and to provide a basis for accountability.

Aspirational Statement #9: As an oasis for spiritual refreshment and a physical marker of the unseen world of the divine spirit, Christ Church Cathedral is a community that upholds the beauty of holiness in all aspects of its life, including liturgy, the visual arts, music, communications, and its buildings and grounds.

Commentary: *This building marks a place where the invisible has graciously condescended to touch the earth, where beauty, and music, and even silence speak the presence of God. We honour that presence by seeking to replicate God's beauty – excellence – in every aspect of our work, from the Sunday leaflet, to gleaming chalices, to the Deanery lawn.*



During the Season of Creation, we are highlighting one or two local organizations each week that provide opportunities to get involved in volunteering or support. For the full list, see our website.

The Friends of Bowker Creek Society bowkercreek.org

The Bowker Creek watershed headwaters are at UVic, with a tributary in Cedar Hill Park golf course. Bowker Creek meanders through Saanich, Victoria, and Oak Bay, flowing roughly parallel to Shelbourne street, around Hillside Mall towards the Royal Jubilee Hospital, past Oak Bay High School and empties into Oak Bay near the Glenlyon-Norfolk school. It is literally beneath our feet throughout much of the land where we live and work.

This local organization supports the restoration and enhancement of Bowker Creek and its watershed to a healthy state, guided by the vision and goals of the Bowker Creek Blueprint. They are working towards realizing a vision where the varied human uses and natural areas in the Bowker watershed are managed to minimize runoff and pollution, making Bowker Creek a healthy stream that supports habitat for native vegetation and wildlife, and provides a community greenway to connect neighbourhoods. They have a number of initiatives that you can support and join.

Peninsula Streams Society <https://peninsulastreams.ca>

The Peninsula Streams Society helps coordinate stream restoration and habitat conservation on the Saanich Peninsula. They also provide associated groups with the technical expertise and resources to help achieve their goals. Their goal is to achieve healthy aquatic habitat that supports self-sustaining populations of native species in freshwater and marine environments. They pursue this objective through research, restoration, innovative projects, public education and private land stewardship.

Assisting with Today's Liturgy

<i>Sidesperson</i>	David Mensink
<i>Duty Warden</i>	Isabel Weeks
<i>Verger</i>	Canon Elaine Ellison
<i>Server</i>	Susan McKelvie
<i>Musicians</i>	The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers The Cathedral Consort Mark McDonald, <i>Assistant Director of Music</i> Donald Hunt, <i>Director of Music</i>
<i>Reader</i>	John Weaver
<i>Deacon</i>	The Reverend Canon Nancy E. Ford
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