

Sunday, August 30, 2020 — Proper 22, Year A 10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider: The Reverend Ross Bliss

Musical Setting: Short Communion Service (Batten)

and Webster in F

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 Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker

Dean 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: Voluntary in B flat Jonathan Battishill (d. 1801)

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.Lord have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray.

In the flaming bush

you promised deliverance to your people, O God,

and in the cross of Jesus

you embraced our suffering and pain.

In times of misery,

show us the transforming power of your love that we may know the hope of your glory; through the same, Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Exodus 3.1-15 / all seated

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Response to the Reading: Psalm 105.1-6, 23-26, 45c

remain seated / sung by choir

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvellous works.

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Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgements of his mouth, O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen.

Israel came into Egypt; and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham. The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful; he made them stronger than their enemies;

Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people and dealt unjustly with his servants. He sent Moses his servant, and Aaron whom he had chosen, that they might keep his statutes and observe his laws. Alleluia.

Second Reading Romans 12.9-21
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

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 16.21-28

Priest The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily Ms Catherine Pate

Affirmation of Faith

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

All Though he was divine,

he did not cling to equality with God,

but made himself nothing. Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness.

He humbled himself

and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name:

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,

and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

The Prayers of the People

please stand, sit or kneel as preferred

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

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

Presider Blessed are you, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever.

All that is in the heaven and in the earth is yours.

All things come from you and from your own have we given you.

The Great Thanksgiving

Book of Alternative Services, p. 193 / 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 It is indeed right that we should praise you,

gracious God,

for you created all things.

You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us.

When we turned away from you in sin,

you did not cease to care for us,

but opened a path of salvation for all people.

You made a covenant with Israel,

and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people

from bondage into freedom;

through the prophets

you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints

who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Choir 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.

Presider

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Presider All Therefore we proclaim our hope. Dying you destroyed our death,

rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Presider

Recalling his death,

proclaiming his resurrection,

and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon these gifts,

that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

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 We break this bread,

All Communion in Christ's body, once broken.

Presider Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying.

All If we have died with him,

we shall live with him.

If we hold firm,

we shall reign with him.

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Fraction Anthem

many prefer to be seated

Choir O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us thy 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: Crux fidelis *John IV of Portugal (d. 1656)*

Crux fidelis, inter omnes arbor una nobilis: nulla silva talem profert, fronde, flore, germine. Dulce lignum, dulces clavos, dulce pondus sustinet.

Faithful cross above all other, one and only noble tree: none in foliage, none in blossom, none in fruit your peer may be. Sweetest wood and sweetest iron, sweetest weight is hung on you!

Prayers after Communion

please stand

Presider All your works praise you, O Lord.
All And your faithful servants bless you.

Gracious God
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son
Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body,
live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup,
bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights,
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so that we and all your children may be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing Nathan Nettleton

Presider Go now and follow Jesus in the way of the cross.

Rejoice in hope,

hold fast to what is good, persevere in prayer.

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

As far as is possible, live peaceably with all.

And the blessing...

People Amen.

The Sending Forth of the Community

The Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Voluntary in A

William Selby (d. 1798)

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.

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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 # 8 Christ Church Cathedral values informed and intelligent faith that embraces complexity and ambiguity, and to this end, is committed to providing varied opportunities for learning about God's world to all age groups.

Commentary: Loving God with our minds is not merely a matter of notional assent to a series of credal statements. Our minds – our capacity to reason, simultaneously to hold the truth of opposites, to step clear of binary thinking – all these things are based on a lifelong journey of learning. In this place, we "live the questions" – from kindergarten next door, to the visit of world-renowned scholars to the cathedral itself.

Assisting with Today's Liturgy

Sidesperson Janis Wheatley

Duty Warden Ian Maclennan

Verger Canon Elaine Ellison

Server Ann Barry

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