



**CHRIST CHURCH**  
**CATHEDRAL**  
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY

**Sunday, January 17 – Proper 2, Year B**

## Service of the Word—Proper 2—B

Officiant: The Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker  
Reader: The Reverend Ross Bliss  
Preacher: The Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker  
Prayers: The Reverend Canon Nancy E. Ford

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: Adagio in A minor (BWV 564ii)

*J.S. Bach (d. 1750)*

### The Gathering of the Community

Collect of the Day

*Revised Common Lectionary*

*Officiant* Let us pray.  
Insistent God,  
by night and day you summon your slumbering people;  
so stir us with your voice  
and enlighten our lives with your grace  
that we may give ourselves fully  
to Christ's call to mission and ministry.

*People* **Amen.**

### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

*1 Samuel 3.1-10*

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Response to the Reading: Psalm 139.1-5, 12-17

*sung by the choir / remain seated*

O Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You mark out my journeys and my resting-place \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.

For there is not a word on my tongue, \*  
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You encompass me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, \*  
so high that I cannot attain it.

For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I thank you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; \*  
marvelous are your works, my soul knows well.

My frame was not hidden from you, \*  
when I was made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my form, as yet unfinished; \*  
already in your books were all my members written,

As day by day they were fashioned \*  
when as yet there was none of them.

How deep are your counsels to me, O God! \*  
How great is the sum of them!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, etc.

Second Reading

Homily

Anthem: Hear the voice and prayer

*John 1.43-51*

*The Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker*

*Thomas Tallis (d. 1585)*

Hear the voice and prayer of thy servants, that they make before thee this day. That thine eyes may be open toward this house day and night, ever toward this place, of which thou hast said: "My Name shall be there." And when thou hearest have mercy on them.

*Officiant* Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,  
*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.**

Prayers of the People  
The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant* Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray,  
*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.**

The Blessing  
Hymn

*Here I am, Lord / Voices United #509*

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest sin,  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain,  
I have wept for love of them,  
they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them,  
my hand will save  
finest bread I will provide,  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

*Text: Daniel L. Schutte (b. 1947), alt.*

## The Sending Forth of the Community

Dismissal

*Deacon  
People*

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

**Aspirational Statement:** As a result of its “Greater Works than These” consultations in 2019 to 2020, the Cathedral adopted 10 aspirations for our life and work together. It is important to recognize that no set of aspirational statements can say absolutely everything, because when “everything is about everything,” then nothing is about anything. We have chosen to focus for this period of time (always subject to periodic review) on these particular things. Just because getting dressed in the morning is not on our “to-do list” doesn’t mean it isn’t important: it only means that this isn’t something that needs our particular attention at this time. Aspirational statements are like that: they define our vision for improvement. They call us to intentional attention.



## **Assisting with Today's Liturgy**

*Verger* Canon Elaine Ellison

*Musicians* The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers  
The Cathedral Consort  
Mark McDonald, *Assistant Director of Music*  
Donald Hunt, *Director of Music*

*Camera and Tech Team* Canon Ian Alexander  
Mark Thompson

*Chancel Guild* Margaret Ketchen, *president*