



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

**Sunday, February 7 — Proper 5, Year B**

## Service of the Word—Proper 5 —Year B

Officiant: The Very Reverend M. Ansley Tucker  
Readers: The Reverend Ross Bliss, The Reverend Canon Ian Powell  
Preacher: The Right Reverend Anna Greenwood-Lee  
Prayers: The Reverend Canon Nancy E. Ford, *deacon*

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: Fanfare

*William Mathias (d. 1992)*

### The Gathering of the Community

Collect of the Day

*Revised Common Lectionary*

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Everlasting God,  
you give strength to the powerless and power to the faint;  
you raise up the sick  
and cast out demons.  
Make us agents of healing and wholeness,  
that your good news may be made known  
to the ends of your creation;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

*People* **Amen.**

### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

*Isaiah 40.21-31*

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

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

Alleluia. How good it is to make music for our God, ♦  
how joyful to honour him with praise.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem ♦  
and gathers together the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted ♦  
and binds up all their wounds.

He counts the number of the stars ♦  
and calls them all by their names.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; ♦  
his wisdom is beyond all telling.

The Lord lifts up the poor, ♦  
but casts down the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; ♦  
make music to our God upon the lyre;

who covers the heavens with clouds ♦  
and prepares rain for the earth;

who makes grass to grow upon the mountains ♦  
and green plants to serve our needs.

He gives the beasts their food ♦  
and the young ravens when they cry.

He takes no pleasure in the power of a horse, ♦  
no delight in human strength;

but the Lord delights in those who fear him, ♦  
who put their trust in his steadfast love. Alleluia.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son ♦  
and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be ♦  
world without end. Amen.

Second Reading

Homily

Anthem: Christ is our cornerstone

Mark 1.29-39

*The Right Reverend Anna Greenwood-Lee*

*Noel Rawsthorne (d. 2019)*

Christ is our cornerstone,  
on him alone we build;  
with his true saints alone  
the courts of heav'n are filled;  
on his great love our hopes we place  
of present grace and joys above.

Here gracious God, do thou  
forever more draw nigh;  
accept each faithful vow,  
and mark each suppliant sigh;  
in copious show'r on all who pray  
each holy day thy blessings pour.

O, then with hymns of praise  
these hallow'd courts shall ring;  
our voices we will raise,  
the Three-in-One to sing,  
and thus proclaim in joyful song  
both loud and long that glorious name.

Affirmation of Faith

*standing*

*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 as our saviour taught us,  
*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

*Church Triumphant / Common Praise #599*

Awake! Awake! Fling off the night,  
for God has sent a glorious light,  
and we who live in Christ's new day  
must works of darkness put away.

Awake and sing, with praises strong,  
in psalm and hymn and spirit-song.  
Let love our words and works renew  
with all that's good and right and true.

Let in the light; all sin expose  
to Christ, whose life no darkness knows.  
Before the cross expectant kneel,  
that Christ may judge, and judging, heal.

Then rise as children of the light.  
Be neither proud, nor hide from sight.  
Be careful how you live, and wise  
to sift the truth from cunning lies.

Through Christ give thanks to God, and say  
to other sleepers on the way:  
“Awake, and rise up from the dead  
that Christ may shine on you instead!”

*Text: J.R. Peacey (d. 1971)*

## The Sending Forth of the Community

Dismissal

<i>Deacon</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God. Alleluia!</b>

Voluntary: Toccata “Praise Him”

*Rachel Laurin (b. 1961)*

**Aspirational Statements:** 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. By definition, our aspirational statements call us into new, and sometimes uncomfortable territory. They represent the things we believe we need to work on. So they come with a caution: and it is that we don’t get to “cherry-pick” the aspirations, or the parts of the aspirations, that particularly please us. We don’t get to say, for instance, that worship should be comforting, but not challenging; or that we should welcome people of all ages, but not people of all colours; and so on. The whole point of the aspirations is to nudge us out of our comfort-zone and into our growth-zone.

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

*Verger* Canon Elaine Ellison

*Musicians* The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers  
The Cathedral Consort  
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