



Holy Cross Sunday

September 5, 2021 | 5:30pm Eucharist

The Rev. Marnie Peterson | *Presider & Preacher*

St. Brigid's Eucharist

Gathering of the Community

Welcome

Opening Hymn Shall We Gather At the River



1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;



with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826–1899

Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry

Presider

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit, be with you

All

And also with you

All

**Creator God, we give you thanks for all that you are and all that you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In your presence and in the presence of this community gathered, we acknowledge that we stand on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tseil-Waututh Nations. Help us to be mindful of our actions here. for you are God, now and forever.
Amen**

Collect

Leader Healer of the nations, your beloved was lifted on the wood of the cross and exalted as Lord of all creation. Grant that all who believe in him may have the gift of eternal life and share in the glory of your promised reign of justice and peace.

All Amen.

Proclaiming the Word.

Reading Numbers 21:4b-9

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Psalm 98:1-6

Sing to the Lord a new song; *
sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing to the Lord and bless the divine name; *
proclaim the good news of our salvation from day to day.

Declare the glory of the Lord among the nations *
and the wonders of God among all peoples.

For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, *
more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is you, O Lord, who made the heavens.

Oh, the majesty and magnificence of your presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendour of your sanctuary!

Reader Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

All as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-24

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn The Pride Blessing

Verse 1

Blessing, Peace and Love
On all who have found your way here,
Though sanctuary sounds like another broken promise

to those who have hoped to build a home,
to those who tread a weary road,
to those who long for respite on your journey,

to those who were cast out as sinners, by sinners,

Refrain

because of who you love,
because of how you love them;
because the truth of your gender,
the truth of your soul,
the truth of your love,
are truths that you live
know that

you are seen,
you are known,
you are loved,
for who you are,
and as you are,
and as you are now.

Verse 2

Blessing, Peace and Love
On all who have found your way here,
Where sanctuary here in our home is freely given

to those who have known the love of God,
to those who seek it still,
to those who are finding love again
after being told it was not for them.

Refrain

because of who you love (...)

Verse 3

Blessing, Peace, and Love
On all who have found your way here
Where sanctuary now is the gift of God among us

to those who have been family,
to those who are alone,
to those who build connection with your neighbors,
we sing this prayer to the God of all

Now send your grace and peace unto each of us
Through God Creator, Jesus Christ
As the spirit dances and celebrates
All we are as God validates

Refrain

who we love,
how we love them,
because the truth of our genders,
the truth of our souls,
the truth of our loves,
are truths that we live

know that

we are seen,
we are known,
we are loved,
for who we are,
and as we are,
and as we are now.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel

Reader The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Before the Gospel **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel John 3:13-17

Reader This is the Gospel of Christ .

After the Gospel **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Silence & Stillness

The Sermon The Rev. Marnie Peterson

Silence & Stillness

Please stand for the Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

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

You are invited to participate in an interactive prayer response

Leader We offer to God our prayers of intercession and thanksgiving.
*After each bidding you are welcome to add your own petitions,
either silently or aloud.*

Leader We pray for your church throughout the world.
For the Anglican Communion. For Linda, our Primate. For John our Bishop,
for all clergy and for all who exercise their baptismal ministry in the church.

We pray for the ministries of Christ Church Cathedral and for the growth,
sustenance and witness of this St. Brigid's congregation.
We offer our prayers, silently or aloud

Leader We pray for our country Canada, for all those in authority,
for Hereditary Chiefs and Chiefs in Council for the Musqueam,
Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.
We offer our prayers, silently or aloud

Leader We pray for the world
We offer our prayers, silently or aloud

Leader We offer our prayers of thanksgiving
We offer our prayers, silently or aloud

Leader We pray for those in need
We offer our prayers, silently or aloud

Leader We pray for those who have died and those who will meet death this night
We offer our prayers, silently or aloud

Leader Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord
All **And let light perpetual shine upon them**

Leader May they rest in peace
All **And rise in glory**

Leader God of compassion, Jesus was lifted up on the cross, a sign of your steadfast love and a pledge of your will to save. Grant healing of soul and life eternal to those who look upon the cross in faith; through Jesus Christ, our peace and our salvation. Amen.

All **Amen**

Silence & Stillness

Confession & Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another

Silence & Stillness

Presider *Most merciful God*

All **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Amen.**

Presider God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

All **Amen.**

Silence & Stillness

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

All may exchange a non-contact sign of peace .

Celebration of the Eucharist.

The Offertory

You are invited to make a financial offering to further God’s mission through the work of the church by texting “Give” to 639.739.0843 and following the instructions; or by clicking on this link thecathedral.ca/give. Tax receipts are issued annually for gifts totalling \$20 or more. Your financial gifts matter and together with the bread and wine they are presented in spirit at the Altar as a sign of thanksgiving to God from whom all blessings flow.

The table is set for Eucharist as the congregation collects the offering and gathers around the table.

Offertory Hymn Jesus Feed Us (Bell)

A - gain and a-gain and a - gain, to this tab-le we come, once a peo ple es-
 tranged, now as one in your name. In your mer-cy and grace, for - given of all we've con-
 fessed, by your bo-dy and blood, one last thing we re - quest: to you we pray
 Je - sus feed us. Feed us Je - sus. Feed us
 Je - sus with your heal - ing love. A

©2008 Signpost Music / www.signpostmusic.com / email: signpost@signpostmusic.com / toll free: 1.800.854.3499

Prayer over the Gifts

All Blessed are you, O God maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Guide. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider May God be with you

All And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Presider

Let us give thanks to God our Creator

All

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider

It is right in all times and in all places to thank and praise you Creator of all.

We praise you here where the Fraser River meets the Salish Sea, where city and farm, wilderness and industry are side by side. We praise you at a time when the body of earth is broken again and again.

We give thanks for our place in the story of salvation. Our ancestors journeyed with you in creation and migration. They depended on the land, were displaced from the land and displaced others from their lands. They knew you in tents and cities, on mountains and by wells, in families and in dreams, and through wilderness prophets who spoke of cedars and listened to ravens.

Together with angels and ancestors, orca and salmon, bear and raven, salal and cedar we join our voices with all creation in this ancient honour song:

Sanctus

Buhler

$\text{♩} = 66$

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts!

1. Hea - ven and Earth are full of your glo - ry, glo - ry! Ho -

2. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho -

Fine

san - na in the high - est!

Bles - sed is the One who comes in the name of the

1. Lord. Ho

2. **D.S. al Fine**

Presider

We give thanks to you for Jesus, whose first deed was a feed trough. He was baptized in the Jordan, tested in the wilderness, he traveled in fishing boats and told parables of farmers and seeds, labor and wages, yeast and bread.

On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, food of the poor, the work of field and hearth, he gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his friends saying: Take and eat, this is my body, given for you, do this to remember me.

Again after supper he took the cup of wine, fruit of the land, gave thanks and gave it to his friends saying: This is my blood, which is shed for you. When you do this, do it in memory of me.

Remembering Jesus' life, death and resurrection and awaiting his coming kingdom, we offer you this bread and this cup.

Creator, send your Spirit on these gifts so that we know Jesus in them and are gathered together with everyone who shares this sacred meal of justice and community.

Fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that we may strive for justice and peace, respect the dignity of every human being, and safeguard the integrity of creation.

Bring us with all your saints to your commonwealth of sparrow and lily, child and beggar which is both now and yet to come.

All honor and glory are yours, Creator, Christ and Spirit, now and forever.

All

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Presider

As Jesus taught us, and in the language of our heart we now pray

All

**Our Mother/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.

Lamb of God you take a-way the si - n of the
Lamb of God you take a-way the si - n of the
world have me - rcy on us
world grant us your peace.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Come to the banquet for now all is ready.
 These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God

All **Thanks be to God**

Please stay at your seat and the priest will come to you to offer a wafer. If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of your chest.

Gluten free wafers can be available for those you need them.

Communion Hymn In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid; lift up your
voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.

Prayer after Communion

Presider We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith towards you and in fervent love toward one another, for the sake of Jesus Christ

All **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.**

Announcements

The Sending Forth of the Community.

The Blessing *Sending Song Text: St. Brigid worship team, Music: Ben Dobyms*

God Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer,
Father of life and Mother of Creation,
Son and Sister, Friend Sophia;
shield the children born
outside of Egypt,
and guard those still in Babylon.
Almighty God of Word and Wisdom,
may your grace be tangible to
those whose churches celebrate their belovedness,
those in churches where they fight
for their truth to be seen,
and those who are learning how to love their neighbors.
Strengthen us
in the knowledge
that you hate nothing in Creation,
and adore all that is good,
which is all that brings you joy

including our love for you and for each other.

Blessing, Peace, and Love // We are seen

Blessing, Peace, and Love // We are known

Blessing, Peace, and Love // We are loved

This is the Rev. Marnie Peterson's last Sunday at the Cathedral and St. Brigid's. Marnie will now bless the community and the community will bless Marnie.

Leader

Gracious God, you have united us all in one body.

We give you thanks for Marnie's work in your church. For the life and discernment she has poured into the creation of our beloved community. For the openness and courage she embodied while leading our congregation.

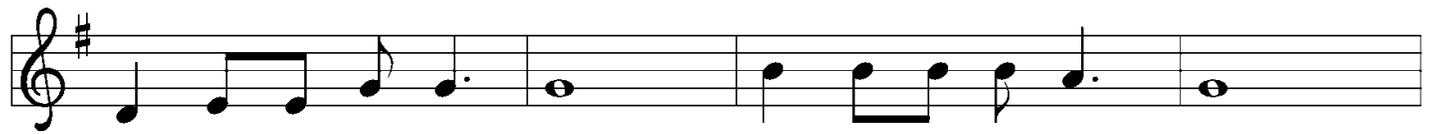
We pray that as Marnie answers your next call your spirit will surround her. We pray that her gifts will be welcomed and seen by her new parish, and we pray that you will give us the strength to release her and welcome our new spiritual leader.

We pray that you will be present in our memories of Marnie, and that the lessons she taught us will stay with us as we continue to pursue our ministries in the world. And with the Psalmist, we each proclaim,

Psalm 16:11

All

**You show me the path of life.
In your presence there is fullness of joy;
In your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**



1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;



this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
 ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine,
 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,



let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
 let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: THIS JOY, African American spiritual

Presider

Go in Peace

Share the Good News

All

Thanks be to God.

To donate...

**Please text “Give” to 639.739.0843 and follow the instructions—
or go to this link — thecathedral.ca/give—
or go to the App Store, & choose the “tithe.ly” app**

—from the App Store, download the tithe.ly app, enter your information
and you can connect directly to the Cathedral—

Thank you for your support!

Thank you for joining the Christ Church Cathedral community

This Eucharist service takes place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Nations in the heart of Vancouver. If you have any questions about the Cathedral, its ministries or congregations, please visit our website at thecathedral.ca.



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
Vancouver, BC · *Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds*

MAILING ADDRESS: 690 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 2L1

PHONE: 604.682.3848 | EMAIL: reception@thecathedral.ca