CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

Holy Eucharist

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT, YEAR B

Sunday, March 10, 2024 9.15 a.m.





Welcome to the Cathedral Church of the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia. Here we respectfully acknowledge that we gather to worship on the ancestral lands of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, with whom we are in relationship to seek reconciliation.

As an Anglican centre for spirituality, learning, culture, heritage and community, this cathedral upholds a daily rhythm of worship in the heart of Victoria. From daily spoken and sung services to the weekly celebration of the Eucharist and Choral Evensong, we mark the important events of the Christian calendar and in the life of our diocese and the wider community.

Liturgical Note for Today's Service

Lent is one of the two penitential seasons in the liturgical calendar. The other one, being Advent, is also a time of great anticipation, and so Lent remains our main extended time of penitential reflection. In keeping with this, we restructure the beginning of our services to place the components related to repentance, confession and absolution up front to temper and frame the entire liturgy suitably for our shared Lenten journey. In that same spirit, there is no organ prelude and the community notices will be delivered after the blessing, enabling more space for silent reflection and a contemplative spirit.

A newly-composed anthem

The church has, since its very beginnings, played a role in patronising music and the arts by curating and commissioning new works of human creativity. This morning's service includes a newly-composed anthem sung by the Parish Choir. This anthem was initially commissioned in 2020 for the Parish Choir to sing at a service in Organ Festival Canada, the Royal Canadian College of Organists national convention. The festival and the premiere was cancelled due to the pandemic. Today, the Parish Choir is pleased to be able to offer this piece for the first time.

After early studies in Vancouver, Nicholas Fairbank (the piece's composer) pursued advanced musical training in London, England and Paris, France, studying organ with Christopher Herrick, Richard Popplewell and Naji Hakim. He earned Master's degrees from the Université de Paris (Musicology & French literature), the University of California at Santa Barbara (French language and pedagogy), and the University of Victoria (Composition). He currently resides in Victoria, BC.

If you would like to sign up for our E-news, or would like more information about the Cathedral, please visit our website www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca.

You can also use the QR code to make a donation, use our Welcome Card or to download the service leaflets and more.



Presider: The Reverend Canon Bill Tarter, CFC

We are trying something different during Lent. We are using **Common Praise**, the hymn book of the Anglican Church of Canada, rather than printing the hymns in the leaflet. There are two reasons for this change; it cuts down on the amount of paper we use, which will realize financial savings and it reduces the amount of paper (trees!) we end up sending to recycling every week. This sixweek trial period gives us the opportunity to measure how much we save and consider whether we want to continue this practice.

I hope you will enjoy using the hymn books once again. There are enough to provide copies for everyone attending the typical cathedral service. If you have trouble finding a book, please let the sidespeople know. Thank you! JBF+

The Gathering and Penitential Rite

We gather in silent reflection. The bell bowl signifies the start of the service.

Presider Bless the Lord, who forgives all our sins.

People God's mercy endures forever.

Presider Grace, mercy and peace

from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

be with you all.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us confess our sins in the presence of God's mercy.

All remain seated or kneel as able, while silence and confession is observed.

All Most merciful God.

we confess that 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.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

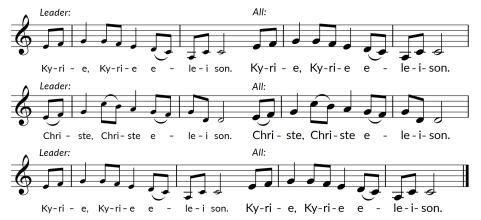
have mercy on us and forgive us,

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your name. Amen.

Kyrie eleison



Absolution

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.

Collect of the Day

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

Gracious Father,

whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world,

evermore give us this bread,

that he may live in us, and we in him,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Numbers 21. 4-9 / all seated

Reader The Word of God endures forever.

People Thanks be to God.

Response to the Reading: Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22

remain seated



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures for ever. Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe. He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. Refrain

Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; they were afflicted because of their sins.

They abhorred all manner of food and drew near to death's door.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Refrain

He sent forth his word and healed them, and saved them from the grave. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy and the wonders he does for his children. Let them offer him sacrifices of thanksgiving and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

Refrain

Second Reading

Ephesians 2.1-10

The Word of God endures forever. Reader

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn #506— Lord of All Hopefulness

Tune: Slane

The Holy Gospel

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

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

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 3. 14-21

Priest The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. People

Homily

Affirmation of Faith all standing as able

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

All I believe in God,

the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

The Prayers of the People

please stand, sit or kneel as preferred

Leader Merciful and loving God,

People Hear our prayer.

The Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

Tune: Rockingham

Presider We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn #386—When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

A basket is passed to receive monetary gifts which will be offered along with bread and wine at the altar. Our donation kiosk can be found at the Quadra St doors (charitable tax receipt option available), as is our new, easy to use Tap machine for those who do not require a tax receipt. Please use the QR code at the beginning of the leaflet if you would like to make an online donation. Thank you!

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of mercy and compassion,

your Word calls us home to faith and love.

accept all we offer you this day;

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 Blessed are you, gracious God,

creator of heaven and earth,

because you bid your faithful people

to cleanse their hearts

and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery,

we may be more fervent in prayer

and more generous in the works of love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise

to proclaim the glory of your name. Joining with them,

and giving voice to every creature under heaven,

we acclaim you, and glorify your name,

as we sing:



Presider

for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

We give thanks to you. Lord our God.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it. do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All we remember his death,

we proclaim his resurrection,

we await his coming in glory.

Presider

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People

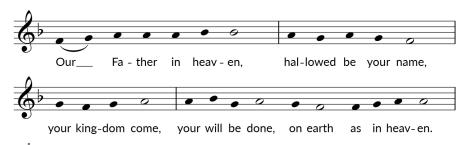
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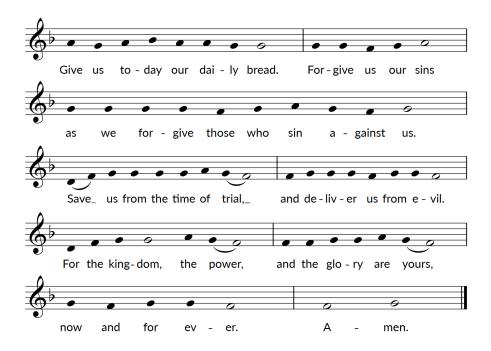
The Lord's Prayer

Presider

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray,

All sing





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.

The Communion

All are invited to receive communion, which will be distributed at the communion rail. A reminder that intinction (or dipping the bread into the cup) is considered unsafe, and is thus not permitted. If you have mobility issues you may remain seated and communion will be brought to you.

Prayers for healing with the laying-on-of-hands and anointing may be sought in the Lady Chapel (to the left of the high altar) during Communion. You may ask for prayers for yourself, or for the needs of another. Information shared during these prayers is kept in the strictest confidence.

Anthem

Come to me all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your soul. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Music: Nicholas Fairbank (b. 1956)

Text: Matthew 11.28-30

Prayer after Communion

please stand

Tune: To God Be The Glory

Presider Giver of life,

you enlighten all who come into the world. Fill our hearts with the splendour of your grace,

that we may perfectly love you and worthily praise your holy name, through Jesus Christ the Lord.

All Amen.

Notices please be seated

The Blessing

Presider Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,

to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;

and the blessing ... Amen.

Hymn #371—To God Be the Glory

The Sending Forth of the Community

The Dismissal

Priest Go now in peace, trusting in God,

to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Thank you for being part of this morning's service.

Sources:

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Church of England Times and Seasons

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Readings for Sunday, March 17 - Fourth Sunday in Lent Jeremiah 31.31-34

Psalm 51.1-12 Hebrews 5.5-10

John 12.20-33

Assisting with Today's Liturgy

Sidespersons Gail Gill, Gary Badgley

Member of Management Team Stephen Calderwood

Member of Cathedral Council Bette French

Verger Bob Fearnley

Server Heather Frame

Musicians The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers

The Parish Choir

Mark McDonald, Assistant Director of Music

Donald Hunt, Director of Music

Readers Sheila Martindale, Jan Rogers

Assisting Clergy The Reverend Jacqueline Stober

Prayers of the People Margaret Ketchen

Eucharistic Ministers Martha McGinnis

Healing Ministry Joyce Dreilich, Sue MacRae

Chancel Guild Maureen Lundquist, president

Prayers for Peace

Join us on Fridays at Noon throughout Lent. We will gather on the cathedral steps if the weather permits, or in the Chapel of Reconciliation. Come and let us lift our prayers for this broken world together.

Monthly Outreach

During March the monthly outreach recipient will be Primate's World Relief Development Fund (PWRDF). The PWRDF is the Anglican Church of Canada's agency for sustainable development and humanitarian relief. By engaging Anglicans across Canada, PWRDF supports projects to improve the wellbeing of community members and break the cycle of poverty with a focus on health, empowering women and girls, food security and climate change, and Indigenous programs. More information can be found on their website: pwrdf.org

Memorial Flowers at Easter

If you would like to make a donation for flowers at Easter in memory of loved ones, please use the envelope from the pews and place it on the offertory plate or forward it to the Cathedral office. Please include the name(s) of those you would like to be remembered which will then appear in the Easter Day leaflet.

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral is open Monday to Friday from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.,
Saturdays from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. and Sundays from 7.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Monday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Tuesday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
1.00 p.m.	Library open until 2.30 p.m.	Chapter Room
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Wednesday

8.45 a.m.	Christ Church Cathedral School Chapel	Nave
10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	See Website for Location
5.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	Nave

Thursday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Friday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
12.00 pm	Prayers for Peace	Front Steps
12.15 p.m.	Organ Tour (Ticketed event)	Nave / organ loft
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Saturday

10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	See Website for I	Location
2.30 p.m.	CapriCCio: A Spring Bouquet of Audienc	e Favourites	Nave
	(Ticketed Event)		

Sunday

Holy Communion, said	Lady Chapel
Holy Eucharist	Nave
Cathedral Eucharist	Nave / Livestreamed
Choral Evensong	Nave / Livestreamed
	Holy Eucharist Cathedral Eucharist

^{*}For information on joining or attending, contact the Cathedral Office

This schedule is subject to change, visit www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca/events for the most up-to-date information.

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