

Christ Church
Cathedral
Ottawa

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday | April 6th | 2025

4 pm | Chancel Eucharist

Welcome

Children are welcome to fully participate in the service and activity sheets are available at the entrance to the Cathedral. Sidespeople can provide headsets for those who need hearing assistance and ensure that communion is brought to you in the pew if required. Please turn off or set mobile devices to silent mode.

*Our diocese was founded on the homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquins.
May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

Gathering

Please gather in the choir stalls and wait in silence for the service to begin.

Prelude

Opening Responses

We meet in the name of God, creator of the universe, source of true humanity, mother and father of us all. **Amen.**

We meet in the name of Jesus, Word made flesh, saviour of fallen humanity, lover of all. **Amen.**

We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life, midwife of new humanity, inspirer of all. **Amen.**

Come then, eternal God,
be present here, befriend us here, renew us here.

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect

God of compassion, you call us out of the bindings of death on this, our resurrection day: make us ready to surrender the fear in which we hide to step into your future alive and unashamed; through Jesus Christ, the life of the world. **Amen.**

Proclaiming

Psalm | 121

All **My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.**

Decani I lift up my eyes to the hills;
 from where is my help to come?

Cantoris My help comes from the Lord,
 the maker of heaven and earth.

Decani The Lord will not let your foot be moved
and the One who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Cantoris Behold, the One who keeps watch over Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep.

Decani The Lord, the Lord, watches over you;
the Lord is your shade at your side,

Cantoris so that the sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.

Decani The Lord shall preserve you from all evil
and shall keep you safe.

Cantoris The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.

All **My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.**

Reading | *John 11:1-27*

A reading from the gospel of John.

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that

you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

Thanks be to God.

Silence.

Reflection | *Tief gebückt und voller Reue (BWV 199) | J.S. Bach*

Tief gebückt und voller Reue Lieg ich, liebster Gott, vor dir. Ich bekenne meine Schuld, Aber habe doch Geduld, Habe doch Geduld mit mir! | Deeply bowed and filled with regret I lie, dearest God, before you. I acknowledge my guilt; but only have patience, have patience yet with me!

Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,
Creator, forgive.

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own,
Creator, forgive.

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth,
Creator, forgive.

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,
Creator, forgive.

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee,
Creator, forgive.

The lust which dishonours the bodies of human beings,
Creator, forgive.

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,
Creator, forgive.

Silence.

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. **Amen.**

Peace

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn | *O love, how deep, how broad, how high*

***O love, how deep, how broad, how high! It fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.***

***For us he prayed, for us he taught, for us his daily works he wrought;
by words and signs, and actions, thus still seeking not himself but us.***

***To God whose boundless love has won salvations for us through the Son,
to God the Father, glory be both now and through eternity.***



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Celebrating

Prayer over the Gifts

Giver of life, your Son has destroyed the power of death for all those who believe in him. Accept all we offer you this day and strengthen us in faith and hope; through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all the living. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Maker.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, for you made us, and before us, you made the world we inhabit, and before the world, you made the eternal home in which, through Christ, we have a place.

All that is spectacular, all that is plain, have their origin in you; all that is lovely, all who are loving, point to you as their fulfilment.

And grateful as we are for the world we know and the universe beyond our knowing, we particularly praise you, whom eternity cannot contain, for coming to earth and entering time in Jesus.

For his life which informs our living; for his compassion which changes our hearts; for his clear speaking which contradicts our harmless generalities; for his disturbing presence, his innocent suffering, his fearless dying, his rising to life breathing forgiveness, we praise you and worship him.

Here too our gratitude rises for the promise of the Holy Spirit, who even yet, even now, confronts us with your claims and attracts us to your goodness.

Therefore we gladly join our voices to the song of the Church on earth and in heaven:

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might. Ho-ly, ho-ly,
ho-ly Lord, God of power and might. hea-ven and earth are
full, full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na
in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est, ho-san-na in the high-est.

And now, lest we believe that our praise alone fulfills your purpose, we fall silent and remember him who came because words weren't enough. Setting our wisdom, our will, our words aside, emptying our hearts, and bringing nothing in our hands, we yearn for the healing, the holding, the accepting, the forgiving which Christ alone can offer.

Silence.

Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread; and when he had blessed it, he broke it and said, 'Take this and eat it. It is my body, given for you.'

Then later, during the meal, he took a cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he said, 'In this cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Take this, all of you, to remember me.'

He who was with God in the beginning, is with us in this bread. He of whom the prophets spoke, now speak to us in this cup.

Merciful God, send now, in kindness, your Holy Spirit to settle upon this bread and wine and fill them with the fullness of Jesus. And let that same Spirit rest on us, converting us from the patterns of this passing world, until we conform to the shape of him whose food we now share.

With full hearts, we give you thanks and praise, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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; and 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 for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread,

in which Christ comes to us with love from God.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Communion

All are welcome to come forward. If you wish prayers for healing before receiving Communion, please carry an Order of Service with you; to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest; for a gluten-free wafer, hold out one hand; for a regular wafer, hold out two hands. Please do not dip the bread in the wine.

Sending

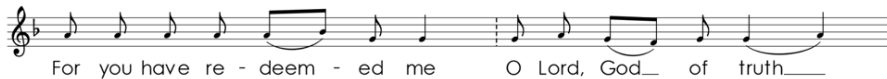
Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Silence.

In gratitude for this moment, this place, those around us, Christ among us, **we give ourselves to you, our God. Take us out to live as changed people because we have met the risen Christ and cannot be the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.**

Evening Respond



Blessing and Dismissal

The blessing of God, sure, strong and kindly, be around you and within you, now and all the days and nights of your journey home. **Amen.**

Go forth in the name of Christ and be a blessing to others.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Celebrant | The Reverend Canon Doug Richards
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Organist | James Calkin
Sung by | Wanda Procyshyn

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Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Services

Wednesdays in Lent

12.05 pm | Eucharist

Thursdays in Lent

12.05 pm | Contemplative Prayer with Organ Meditation

Palm | Passion Sunday | April 13th

8.30 am | Holy Eucharist with Blessing of Palms

10.30 am | Choral Eucharist with Palm Procession

Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday in Holy Week | April 14th, 15th, 16th

12.05 | pm Sung Eucharist

Maundy Thursday | April 17th

7 pm | Choral Eucharist with Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday | April 18th

Noon | Solemnity of the Lord's Passion

1 to 3 pm | Cathedral Open for Quiet Meditation

3 pm | Musical Meditation for Good Friday

Holy Saturday | April 19th

8 pm | A Vigil for Easter

Easter Sunday | April 20th

8.30 am | Holy Eucharist

10.30 am | Festal Eucharist

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