

Welcome to the Cathedral

Whether today is your first time with us, or if this is your spiritual home, we welcome you to the Cathedral. We're glad that you're here today.

On April 14th 2016, BC declared the opioid crisis a public health emergency. At this service, we gather to mark the anniversary of this announcement, and to grieve all whom we have lost to toxic drugs.

Thank you for joining us today. Your presence enriches our life together. Faithfully yours in Christ,

The Very Rev. Christopher A. Pappas, Ph.D., D.Min.

Dean & Rector

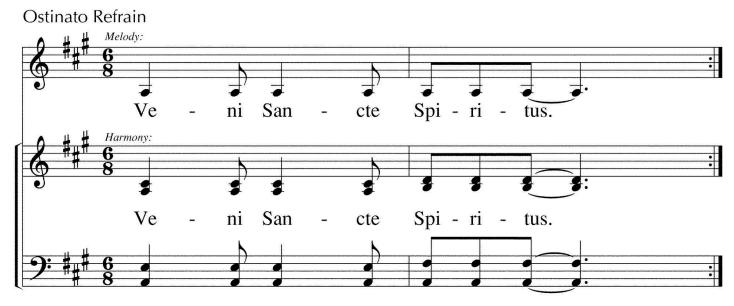
You are invited to join in the prayers and singing of the congregational songs and responses.

Introductions The Reverend Areeta Bridgemohan, Vicar, Christ Church Cathedral

Centering song Veni Sancte Spiritus

We repeat the chant multiple times as a group of cantors adds a descant.

Veni Sancte Spiritus



Text: Come Holy Spirit; Verses drawn from the Pentecost Sequence; Taizé Community, 1978 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

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Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Elder Glida Morgan, Tla'amin Nation Philip Murray, Vancouver Coastal Health

The Very Rev. Christopher Pappas, Ph.D, D.Min., Dean & Rector

The Gathering of the Community

The Dean Holy One, I call to you; come to me quickly;

People Hear my voice when I cry to you.

The Dean Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense,

People The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Glory to God, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit

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

Prayer

The Dean Let us pray.

Great Spirit, we come before you in sorrow, remembering the lives lost to the opioid crisis and the deep wounds it has caused in our communities. We grieve for all who have left us too soon, for their families and friends who mourn, and for the generations touched by this pain.

Creator, we seek your comfort and healing, for in our grief, we hold fast to the hope of restoration. Guide us to a place of balance, where the cycle of suffering is broken, and new life and healing can grow from the ashes of despair. Strengthen all who mourn and envelop us in the love of community, so that we may find solace in the fact that we are not alone in our sorrow.

May we honour the memory of ones we have lost, remembering their lives as sacred gifts. And may we walk together with courage, believing that even in the depths of sorrow, there is hope, there is healing, and there is light.

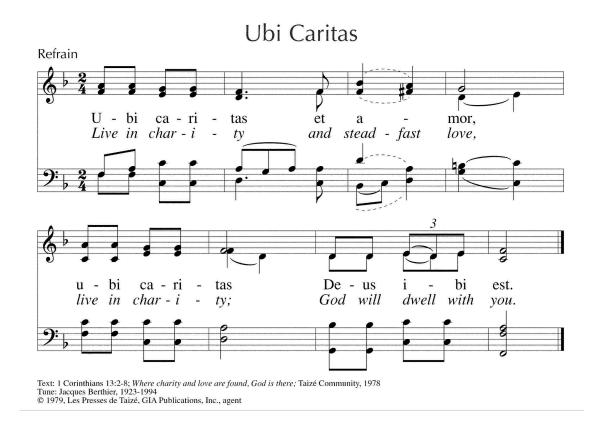
In your holy name, we pray.

All Amen.

Readings and Reflection

Psalm 130: 1-6 Ubi Caritas (Sung in Latin)

A cantor introduces the chant, and all repeat twice. All hum the chant as a reader speaks the words of the psalm.



- 1 Out of the depths have I called you, O Lord;
- 2 Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication. Refrain x2
- 3 If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand?
- 4 For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared. **Refrain x2**
- 5 I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits for you; in your word is my hope.
- 6 My soul waits for you, O Lord, more than sentinels for the morning, more than sentinels for the morning. **Refrain** x2

Reading Romans 8:26-27, 38-39 (FNVNT)

Canticle

The Beatitudes (Matthew 5: 3-12)

Common Praise 755

Music: Eastern Orthodox Chant, adapted by George Black (1831-2003)

A Cantor sings the verses; all join in singing the refrains.

Refrain 1



Lord, re-mem-ber us, when you come in-to your king-dom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Refrain 2



Re-joice and be glad, for your re-ward is great in heav - en.

Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for what is right, for they shall be satisfied. Refrain 1

Blessed are the merciful, for mercy shall be shown to them.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Refrain 2

Blessed are the peace-makers, for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of right, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Refrain 1

Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you, and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely for my sake. **Refrain 2**

Personal Reflection Andrea Derban, Moms Stop the Harm

Affirmation of Faith

Leader You, O God, are Creator of all,

All by whom every being in heaven and earth is fashioned, named, and sustained.

You call us each by name.

You, O God, are Living Word,

who came and pitched your tent with us,

lived and died and rose again.

You speak to us now through faith.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit,

who comforts, strengthens, and inspires,

sending us forth to share your love.

You are the breath of grace.

You, O God, are Trinity:

Creator, Word, Spirit;

artist, healer, friend.

You are holy mystery.

We worship you. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession Rejoice Anthony

We sing the chant through twice before splitting into 4 groups for the canon.

We hum softly while the intercessions are read, singing the words with confidence between each of the petitions.



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Following the prayers there will be a period of silence.

The Tolling of the Bell

Since the beginning of the public health emergency, some 16,500 of our family, friends and neighbours, have died. The bells will toll 33 times, once for every 500 people.

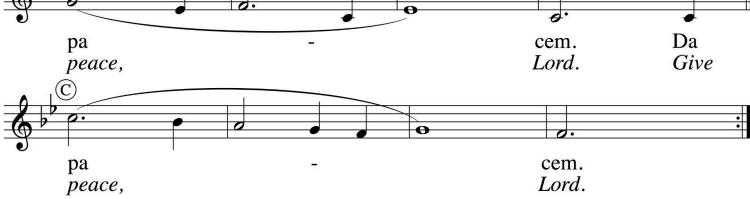
Act of Remembrance

Members of the congregation are invited to come forward and light a candle in remembrance of all those who have been impacted by the opioid crisis, family member(s), or neighbour(s). As you light a candle, you are welcome to say the person(s) name(s) aloud. You may wish to light a candle for your personal journey.

During the candle lighting, you are invited to sing the following chant:

Da Pacem Cordium / Give Peace





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Let these candles be a sign to us of the sacredness of each life in God's eyes.

Joining our prayers into one, we pray together:

The Lord's Prayer

Leader Eternal Spirit,

All Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom

sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,

now and for ever. Amen.

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Dismissal

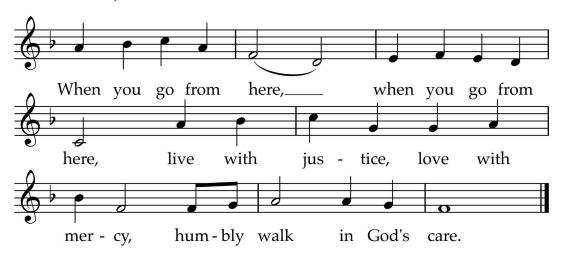
Leader Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

When You Go From Here

Sing a New Creation 171

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Leader The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

All Amen.

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Sundays@4

Sundays@4 features a different music-centered worship each Sunday, based on the service of Evening Prayer, following the Revised Common Lectionary. *Please join us in-person for Sundays@4. These services are not livestreamed.*

Sunday April 20 - Easter Day

There will be no 4pm service on Easter Day. Compline will be sung at 8pm.

Sunday April 27 - Easter 2

Broadway Vespers - a prayer service with solo and duo Broadway vocal works inspired by the readings.

Sunday May 4 - Easter 3

Organ Vespers - a prayer service with solo organ works inspired by the readings (Neil Cockburn, organist)

Sunday May 11 - Easter 4

Choral Evensong sung by the Cathedral Choir

Sunday May 18 - Easter 5

Sung Evening Prayer with music from the Taizé Community

Sunday May 25 - Easter 6 - Africa Sunday

Hymn Festival - an hour of the favourite hymns of Christ Church Cathedral

Sunday June 1 - Ascension Sunday

Holden Evening Prayer

Sunday June 8 - Pentecost

Choral Evensong sung by the Cathedral Choir

Sunday June 15 - Trinity Sunday

Organ Vespers - a prayer service with solo organ works inspired by the readings (Neil Cockburn, organist)

Sunday June 22 - Corpus Christi

Sung Evening Prayer with music from the Taizé Community

Sunday June 29 - Pride Evening Prayer (Stonewall Uprising, June 28, 1969)

Broadway Vespers - a prayer service with solo and duo Broadway vocal works inspired by the readings.

Participants

Spiritual care The Very Reverend Christopher A. Pappas, Ph.D., D.Min. Dean & Rector

The Reverend Areeta Bridgemohan, Vicar Philip Murray, Vancouver Coastal Health

Rejoice Anthony, Anglican Healthcare Chaplain

Elder Glida Morgan, Tla'amin Nation

Moms Stop the Harm Deb Bailey, Andrea Derban

Readers Georgia Omwa, Susan Alexander, Colin Miles

Intercessor Rejoice Anthony

Music The Cathedral Taizé Ensemble

Dr. Neil Cockburn (Organist & Director of Music)
The Reverend Clare Morgan (Harp and Vocals)
Philip Murray, Vancouver Coastal Health (Guitar)

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