

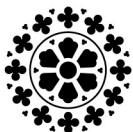


CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

Holy Eucharist

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Sunday, August 17, 2025 9.15 a.m.



CHRIST CHURCH
CATHEDRAL
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY



ANGLICAN DIOCESE
OF ISLANDS AND INLETS
RENEWED HEARTS, RENEWED SPIRITS, RENEWED PEOPLE

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

Christ Church Cathedral is a fully inclusive community where all are invited to hear God's Word and partake of God's bread, regardless of upbringing or creed. Please join as fully as you wish in every action of our worship, including communion. This is God's house and all are welcome.

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 Bill Tarter, CFC

The words to the hymns can be found in the blue hymnal "Common Praise". Copies of the hymnals can be found in the book racks in the pews. If you are unable to locate a copy, please ask the sides-people for assistance.

The Gathering of the Community

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Reverend Jacqueline Stober

Hymn of Praise #444—Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

Tune: Thornbury

Dominical Greeting

Presider 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.**

Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son.
Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that all people may know the glorious liberty
of the children of God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
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

Isaiah 5.1-7 / *all seated*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Be - hold and tend this vine; pre - serve what your right hand has plant - ed

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh,
Stir up your strength and come to help us.

Refrain

You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.
You prepared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.
The mountains were covered Oby its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

Refrain

You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea
and its branches to the River.
Why then have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

Refrain

Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine
preserve what your right hand has planted.
They burn it with fire like rubbish;
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.

Refrain

Let your hand be upon the man at your right hand,
the son of man you made so strong for yourself.
And so will we never turn away from you;
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. *Refrain*

Gospel Acclamation

All stand and join in singing the Gospel Acclamation.



One My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;
I know them and they follow me.

The Holy Gospel

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Luke 12.49–56

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

The Reverend John Thatamanil

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 or sit as preferred

Leader Lord in your mercy,
People **Hear our prayer.**

The Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Please exchange the peace with your neighbours using a suitable gesture.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn #320—Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen

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 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

Deacon Loving God,
you have adopted us to be your heirs.
Accept all we offer you this day
and give us grace to live as faithful children.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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 We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.
Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All

The musical score is written for four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est,
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;

who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."
In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever.

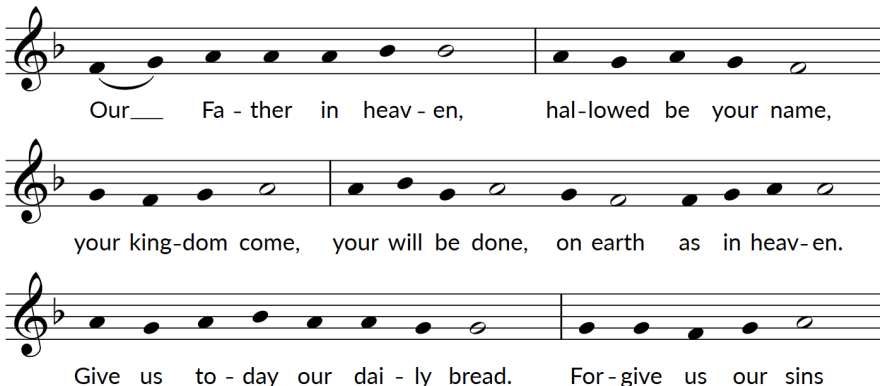
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Amen.

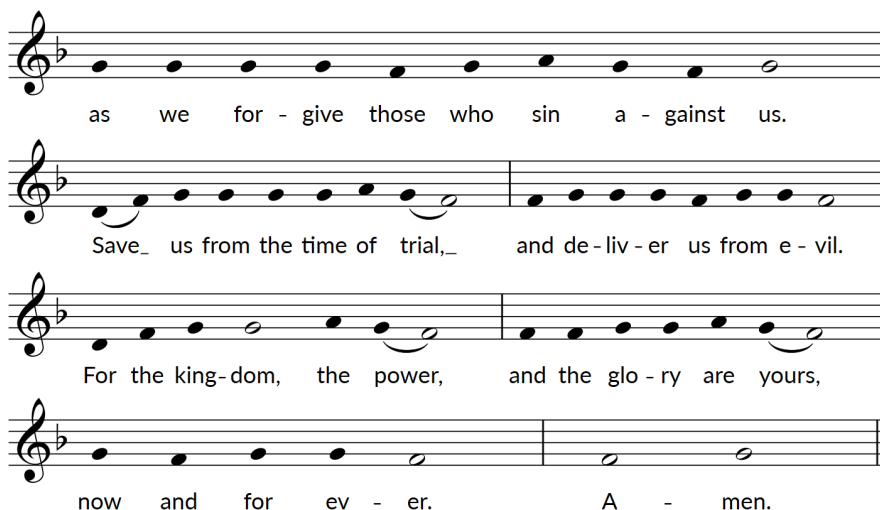
The Lord's Prayer

*Presider
All*

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,



Our ___ Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins



The Breaking of the Bread

Presider "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
 "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
 whoever believes in me will never thirst."
All **Taste and see that the Lord is good;
 happy are they who trust in him!**

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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.

Prayers after Communion

please stand

Presider Eternal God,
 we have received a token of your promise.
 May we who have been nourished by holy things

live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
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.**

Presider Dear Friends in Christ, we have been in companionship with Amiel Elfert on our journey in faith. Now his time with us is drawing to a close, and so we send him forth to continue his journey.

All **O Lord, we give thanks for Ami's time among us and for his contribution to our common life. Bless him as he goes forth; be with those who leave and with us who stay; and grant that all of us, by drawing ever nearer to you, may always be close to each other in the communion of your saints. All this we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider And the blessing... **Amen.**

Hymn #546—God Moves in Mysterious Ways

Tune: London New / *remain standing*

The Sending Forth of the Community

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Thank you for being part of this morning's service. Please join us for coffee in the Chapter Room after the service.

The Flowers in the cathedral are placed to the Glory of God. The flowers are the High Altar are in loving memory of Ruth Dempsey by her husband Dan and their family. Ruth passed away on 17 August, 2019 in Victoria.

Sources: BAS

Readings for Next Sunday (August 24, Proper 21)

Jeremiah 1.4-10; Psalm 71.1-6; Hebrews 12.18-29; Luke 13.10-17

Monthly Outreach

At present, Christ Church Cathedral is involved in two new and different refugee projects. Members of the cathedral are working in partnership with Gleams of Hope to sponsor a Syrian/Palestinian widow and her two teenage daughters. The second project is with a refugee program known as Rainbow Haven to create a safe house in Kenya for African LGBTQ+ refugees as they await finding a new home in a safe country. Your prayers are asked for the safety and well-being of all refugees, but especially for those we are sponsoring as they await word of safe transport to Canada. Donations for Refugee Support and Rainbow Haven can be made to Christ Church Cathedral by cheque, credit card or e-transfer at giving@christchurchcathedral.bc.ca Please ensure you note Refugee Support or Rainbow Haven with your donation.



Assisting with Today's Liturgy

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| <i>Sidespersons</i> | Julia Borzoni, Brenda Mowbray, Gwyneth Evans |
| <i>Verger</i> | Bob Fearnley |
| <i>Server</i> | Susan McKelvie |
| <i>Musicians</i> | The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers The Parish Choir Amiel Elfert, <i>organ scholar</i> Donald Hunt, <i>Director of Music</i> |
| <i>Readers</i> | Gordon Wheatley, Elizabeth Pulker |
| <i>Deacon</i> | The Reverend Canon Nancy Ford |
| <i>Assisting clergy</i> | The Reverend Jacqueline Stober |
| <i>Prayers of the People</i> | Susan MacRae |
| <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i> | Susan McKelvie, Brenda Mowbray |
| <i>Healing Ministry</i> | Joyce Dreilich, June Sharman |
| <i>Chancel Guild</i> | Maureen Lundquist, <i>president</i> |

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

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| 8.45 a.m. | Morning Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 5.00 p.m. | Evening Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |

Tuesday

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| 8.45 a.m. | Morning Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 5.00 p.m. | Evening Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |

Wednesday

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| 8.45 a.m. | Morning Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 10.00 a.m. | Walking Group | <i>See Website for Location</i> |
| 12.15 p.m. | Holy Communion, said | <i>St Christopher's Chapel</i> |
| 5.00 p.m. | Evening Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |

Thursday

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| 8.45 a.m. | Morning Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 5.00 p.m. | Evening Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |

Friday

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| 8.45 a.m. | Morning Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 5.00 p.m. | Evening Prayer, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 6.00 p.m. | In Conversation <i>with Julian Daly, CEO of Our Place Society</i> | <i>Chapter Room</i> |

Saturday

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| 10.00 a.m. | Walking Group | <i>See Website for Location</i> |
| 4.00 p.m. | Summer Recital Series: Le Trombone Français <i>(by donation)</i> | <i>Nave</i> |

Sunday

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| 8.00 a.m. | Holy Communion, said | <i>Lady Chapel</i> |
| 9.15 a.m. | Holy Eucharist | <i>Nave</i> |
| 11.00 a.m. | Choral Eucharist | <i>Nave / Livestreamed</i> |
| 4.00 p.m. | Choral Evensong | <i>Nave / Livestreamed</i> |

**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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