

# Proper 21

Sunday, August 24, 2025 10:30 A.M. Choral Eucharist | In-Person & Livestream

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# 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.

We envision a radically inclusive, restlessly inquisitive, intentional, and inspired Cathedral. This is a place that is called to lead and to serve, in communion and community, with healing, reconciliation, and love, living out the Christian mission. Together, we look to the power of Christ for the transformation of each person, this city of Vancouver, and the world.

We recognize our history and traditions while seeking renewal and growth in spiritual depth and size. Curious and adaptable, this chorus has room for every voice — especially yours.

To learn more about the many ministries and opportunities for service in this community, please visit our website: www.thecathedral.ca. Following our worship service, please join us for coffee hour on the plaza right outside the Burrard St. doors, weather permitting.

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



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# A message to children and their grown-ups

We're glad you're here! Here are a few things we would like you to know about our 10:30 a.m. worship service:

- Playmats and an activity cart with books, puzzles and colouring are available at the front of the church;
- Our Sunday school is on a summer break. Our first day back will be August 31, 2025. We look forward to seeing you then!

The nursery is available downstairs to settle your children. The service is livestreamed so you can follow the worship.

### Need to reach us?

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# The Gathering of the Community

**Processional Hymn** 

God, My Hope on You Is Founded

(CP 529)

Text: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt. Music: MICHAEL, Herbert Howells (1892-1983).

1 God, my hope on you is founded; you my faith and trust renew: through all change and chance you guide me, only good and only true.
God unknown, you alone call my heart to be your own.

3 Daily does the almighty Giver bounteous gifts on us bestow; God's desire for us delights us, pleasure leads us where we go. Here at hand, love takes stand, joy awaits God's sure command.

2 Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown, betray our trust; though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust. But your power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

4 God's great goodness lasts forever, deepest wisdom, passing thought: splendour, light, and life attending, beauty springing out of naught. Evermore from God's store new-born worlds rise and adore.

5 Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ the Son. Christ, you call one and all; those who follow shall not fall.

Presider In this time and place, we gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm

(Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwəta?ł (Tsleil-Waututh) nations.

All From many places and peoples we come to this house of prayer.

Presider In this time and place, we meet in the presence of the living God.

All The Creator who is the source of all that is, seen and unseen.

Presider In this time and place, the risen Christ stands in our midst.

All Our Companion who walks with us

and with all peoples on the path of reconciliation.

Presider In this time and place, God's Holy Spirit breathes in and through us.

All The Divine Wisdom who transforms us and all life.

Presider In this time and place, together, people of God from every language, culture and nation.

All We are being made new by the holy and life-giving Trinity, one God.

Gloria Missa de angelis

Plainchant text: BAS p.186

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The Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray. (Silence is kept.)

Almighty God,

All

we are taught by your word that all our doings without love are worth nothing. Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# The Proclamation of the Word

### The First Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

At the conclusion of the reading:

Reader Word of God, word of life.

All Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 71:1-6



1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;let me never be ashamed.2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free;incline your ear to me and save me. *Refrain* 

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.
4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. *Refrain* 

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.
6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you. *Refrain* 

## The Second Reading

Hebrews 12:18-29

At the conclusion of the epistle:

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

All Thanks be to God.

Text: Herbert O'Driscoll (1928-2024). Music: CAUSA DIVINA, F.R.C. Clarke (1931-2009).

1 God, you have caused to be written your word for our learning; grant us that, hearing, our hearts may be inwardly burning. Give to us grace, that in your Son we embrace life, all its glory discerning.

2 Now may our God give us joy, and all peace in believing all things were written in truth for our thankful receiving. As Christ did preach, through all the world love must reach: grant us each day love's achieving.

3 Lord, should the powers of the earth and the heavens be shaken, grant us to see you in all things, our vision awaken. Help us to see, though all the earth cease to be, your truth shall never be shaken.

#### The Holy Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel, the Deacon says:

The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### The Sermon

The Reverend Claude St-Denis

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

#### The Nicene Creed

Deacon Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified.

Who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### The Prayers of the People

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#### The Confession and Absolution

Deacon Let us confess our sins.

Silence may be kept.

All

We confess that we have sinned against you and against one another, in thought, and word, and deed. We are truly sorry for our pride, and for our lack of faith, of understanding and of love. We repent of our narrow-mindedness, of our bitterness and our prejudices. Pardon and forgive us, save us and renew us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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. **Amen**.

#### The Peace

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

All may exchange a sign of peace.

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

#### The Offertory

Thank you for your prayerful stewardship of the ministries of the Cathedral. Your generous gift of any amount matters, because your stewardship empowers our mission to advance the Good News of God's infinite love and mercy through our worship, ministries, formation, and service. You may make a gift using the offering plate being passed around at this time or refer to the back page of this bulletin to see other methods. Together with the gifts of bread and wine, we present our gifts at the altar as a sign of thanksgiving to God, from whom all good things come.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: LYNGHAM, Thomas Jarman (1776-1861).



### The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God of Glory,

All receive all w

receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love, and increase in us that true and perfect gift. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2

BAS p. 196

Presider The Lord be with you.

All And also 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 the Lord our God.

All 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 [...] Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the

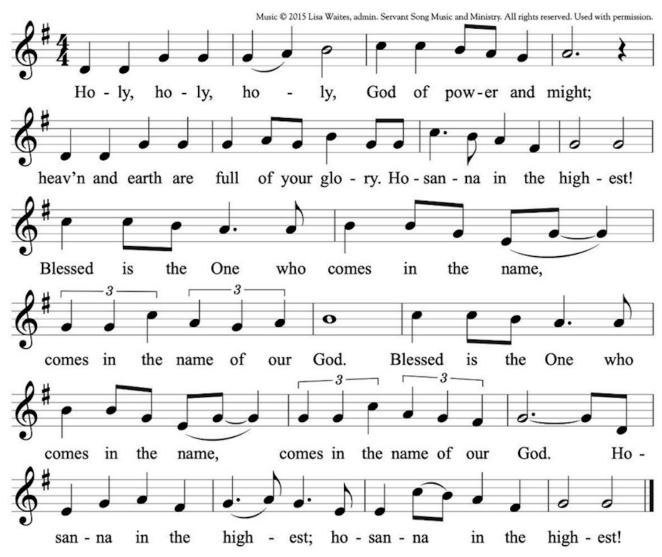
glory of your name.

#### Sanctus

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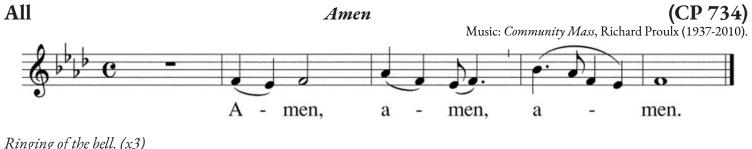
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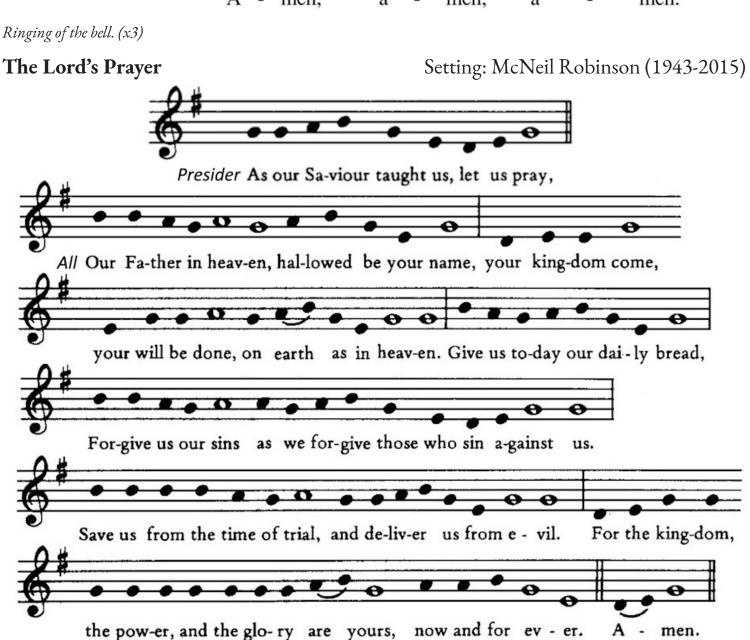
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Presider

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, [...] All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.





#### Fraction

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread. All

The gifts of God for the people of God. Presider

All Thanks be to God.

#### The Communion

To receive the consecrated Bread, approach the altar and extend your hands to the minister with palms open. To receive the consecrated Wine, carefully guide the chalice to your lips. For public health, please do not dip the Bread into the Wine. If you do not wish to partake of the common cup, know that you receive the full efficacy of communion with only the Bread. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to receive a blessing by approaching the altar and crossing your arms over your chest. You may also remain in your seat as you feel comfortable. If you are interested in learning about baptism, please contact a member of our clergy. During communion, Healing Prayer is offered for all people in the west alcove. Please respect the confidentiality of the people praying by not entering the alcove during prayer time.

#### **During Communion**

Verily, Verily, I Say Unto You

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Verily, verily I say unto you: except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.

Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood dwelleth in me, and I in him. (John 6:53-56)

#### Dear Shepherd of Your People, Hear

(CP 521)

Text: John Newton (1725-1807), alt. Music: STOCKTON, melody Thomas Wright (1763-1829); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

1 Dear Shepherd of your people, hear; your presence now display; as you have given a place for prayer, so give us hearts to pray.

2 Within these walls let holy peace and love and concord dwell; here give the troubled conscience ease, the wounded spirit heal. 3 May we in faith receive your word, in faith present our prayers, and in the presence of our Lord disburden all our cares.

4 The hearing ear, the seeing eye, the humbled mind bestow; and shine upon us from on high to make our graces grow.

### The Prayer after Communion

Presider Let us pray. Living God,

All

increase in us the healing power of your love. Guide and direct us that we may please you in all things, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Doxology

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.

# [Commissioning for lay ministers who will be taking communion to those not able to participate in the Eucharist at the church:

Presider

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing Holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the body and blood of Christ.

All

We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.]

## The Blessing

**Closing Hymn** 

From Glory to Glory

(CP 339)

Text: The Liturgy of St. James; tr. Charles W. Humphreys (1840-1921). Music: SHEEN, Gustav Theodore Holst (1874-1934).

1 From glory to glory advancing, we praise thee, O Lord; thy name with the Father and Spirit be ever adored. From strength unto strength we go forward on Zion's highway, to appear before God in the city of infinite day.

2 Thanksgiving and glory and worship and blessing and love, one heart and one song have the saints upon earth and above. O Lord, evermore to thy servants thy presence be nigh; ever fit us by service on earth for thy service on high.

#### **Dismissal**

Deacon

Go forth into the world in the power of the Spirit.

All

Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** 

Te Deum, Op. 11

Jeanne Demessieux (1921-1968)

### **Eucharistic Prayer 2**

The model for this prayer is that which is found in the Apostolic Tradition of Hippolytus (c. 215). This is one of the most ancient eucharistic prayers that has come down to us. It has served as the basis for a number of Anglican, Lutheran, and Methodist revisions as well as for the second of the new Roman Catholic eucharistic prayers.

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