



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
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Organ Vespers

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost [Proper 22]

Sundays@4

Sunday August 31, 2025, 4 p.m.

As we make our offering of prayer and worship, you are invited to join in the prayers and singing of the congregational hymns and refrains.

Indications for standing and sitting are shown; however, we invite you to adopt the position most comfortable for you, as is your custom.

Prelude (*at 4pm*)

“Prelude,” 1st movement from Suite Brève Op. 6, No. 1

Rachel Laurin (1961-2023)

You are invited to stand

Hymn 573 O Day of Peace [*Sung by all*]

We remain standing

The Dean/Officiant The Cathedral sits on the ancestral lands of the of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tseil-Waututh nations. This land was and continues to be of great importance to the Coast Salish Peoples. Consistent with our values of community, inclusion and respecting the dignity of every human being, we have a responsibility to acknowledge, honour and make visible the Cathedral’s relationship to Native peoples.

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

The Service of Light

Officiant Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

***People* A light no darkness can extinguish.**

Hymn 13 O Gladsome Light, O Grace. [*Sung by all*]

After the hymn we remain standing for the Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving *[Standing]*

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Officiant We praise and thank you, O God, for you are without beginning and without end.
Through Christ you are the creator and preserver of the whole world;
but, above all, you are his God and Father, the giver of the Spirit,
and the ruler of all that is, seen and unseen.
You made the day for the works of light
and the night for the refreshment of our minds and bodies.
O loving Lord and source of all that is good, accept our evening sacrifice of praise.
As you have conducted us through the day and brought us to night's beginning,
keep us now in Christ; grant us a peaceful evening and a night free from sin;
and, at the end, bring us to everlasting life.
Through Christ and in the Holy Spirit,
we offer you all glory, honour, and worship,
now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

All sit *Incense is offered as the organist plays:*

“Intermezzo,” 2nd movement from Suite Brève Op. 6, No. 1

Rachel Laurin (1961-2023)

Officiant O Lord, I call to you; come to me quickly;

People **Hear my voice when I cry to you.**

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

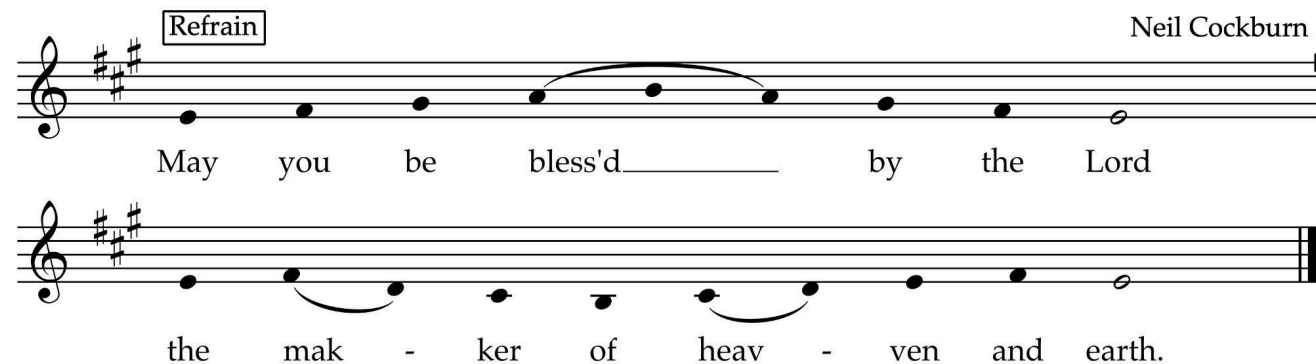
People **The lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

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

The Proclamation of the Word *All sit*

Psalm 115 *Cantor first, then all repeat the refrain. The cantor sings the verses.*



1 Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory;

because of your love and because of your faithfulness.

2 Why should the heathen say, "Where then is their God?"

3 Our God is in heaven; whatever he wills to do he does.

4 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands. **REFRAIN**

5 They have mouths, but they cannot speak; eyes have they, but they cannot see;

6 They have ears, but they cannot hear; noses, but they cannot smell;

7 They have hands, but they cannot feel; feet, but they cannot walk; they make no sound with their throat.

8 Those who make them are like them, and so are all who put their trust in them. **REFRAIN**

9 O Israel, trust in the Lord; he is their help and their shield.

10 O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord; he is their help and their shield.

11 You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord; he is their help and their shield.

12 The Lord has been mindful of us, and he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel;

he will bless the house of Aaron;

13 He will bless those who fear the Lord, both small and great together. **REFRAIN**

14 May the Lord increase you more and more, you and your children after you.

15 May you be blessed by the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

16 The heaven of heavens is the Lord's, but he entrusted the earth to its peoples.

17 The dead do not praise the Lord, nor all those who go down into silence;

18 But we will bless the Lord, from this time forth for evermore. Hallelujah! **REFRAIN**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. **REFRAIN**

Reading Job 11: 1-9, 13-20

Interlude “Meditation,” 3rd movement from Suite Brève Op. 6, No. 1

Rachel Laurin (1961-2023)

Reading John 8: 47-59

You are invited to stand

Canticle Hymn 363 My Soul Proclaims Your Glory, Lord (*The Magnificat*)

Sung by all

Affirmation of Faith *Said by all, standing*

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.**

This is the first and the great commandment.

The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

Intercessions *All sit or kneel, as is your custom*

*You are invited to pray Litany 1 silently - found in the green **Book of Alternative Services** on p. 110.*

*You may wish to move around the cathedral to give reverence to one of the stained glass windows
or to pray at one of the icons. Votive candles are available in the chapel on the left.*

During the intercessions the organist will play:

Prelude in B major, Op. 99

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)

At the end of the music we return to our seats for the Collect of the Day.

The Collect

Officiant

Author and Giver of all good things,
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us in all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

All stand

Officiant

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All

**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.
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.**

Dismissal

We remain standing

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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

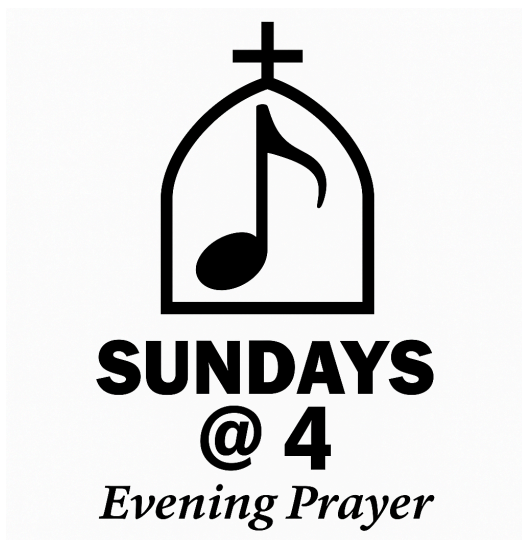
All **Amen.**

Hymn **575 Let Streams of Living Justice**

All sit. Please remain seated, quietly, until the postlude has ended.

Postlude Toccata, Op. 57

C.V. Stanford (1852-1924)



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 live streamed.

Next week: Sunday September 7 at 4pm: Sung Evening Prayer with music from the Taizé Community

Participants

<i>Clergy</i>	The Rev. Stuart Mennigke
<i>Reader</i>	Bernard Cuffling
<i>Music</i>	Dr. Neil Cockburn (<i>Organist & Director of Music</i>)
	Kip Johnson (<i>Cantor</i>)

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This worship takes place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwətaʔ (Tsleil-Waututh) nations, in the heart of Vancouver.

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