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## *Proper 23*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 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](http://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 September 14th, 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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We're here to support you — feel free to reach out anytime!



*Cathedral parish announcements will commence shortly before 10:30 a.m.*  
***The Gathering of the Community***

**Processional Hymn**

***Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works***

**(CP 407)**

*Presider* In this time and place, we gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əy<sup>ə</sup>m (Musqueam), Sk̓wxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwətaʔɬ (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**

***Glory to God***

**(CP 686)**

Music: *New Plainsong*, David Hurd (1950- ).

**The Collect of Creation**

*Presider* Let us pray. (*Silence is kept*). Source of all life,

*All* we give thanks to you for your wondrous creation made manifest in the environment that surrounds us; strengthen us in the mission of stewardship and care towards nature, the work of your hands, encouraging us to preserve life in all its precious forms. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***The Proclamation of the Word***

**The First Reading**

**Jeremiah 18:1-11**

*At the conclusion of the reading:*

*Reader* Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17**

**(CP 338)**

*The Choir sings the refrain once first, then all repeat (in Latin).*

Refrain text: Taizé Community (France).  
Music: ADOREMUS TE, Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

**The Second Reading**

**Philemon 1-21**

*At the conclusion of the epistle:*

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Thanks be to God.

**The Holy Gospel**

Luke 14:25-33

*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 Very Reverend Christopher A. Pappas

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

**The Apostles' Creed**

*Deacon* Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

*All* I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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**

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**The Confession and Absolution**

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

*Silence may be kept.*

**All** God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We have wounded your creation by waste, neglect, and selfishness. Have mercy upon us, forgive us, and renew us, that we may delight in your will, walk in your ways, and care for the earth you have made. Amen.

**Presider** Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has reconciled all things in heaven and earth, forgive you your sins, restore within you the divine image, and renew you in the Spirit to live in justice and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All** Amen.

### **The Peace**

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

**All** 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.

### **Offertory Hymn**

#### ***O Healing River***

**(CP 578)**

Text and music: HEALING RIVER, Fred Hellerman (1927-2016) and Fran Minkoff (1915-2002).

Arr. Melva Treffinger Graham (1947- ).

### **The Prayer over the Gifts**

**Presider** Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands.

**All** May they become for us the bread of life and the cup of salvation in Christ our new creation. Amen.

### **The Great Thanksgiving    *Eucharistic Prayer 1 (From Enriching Our Worship)***

**Presider** The Lord be with you. And also with you.

**Presider** Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

**Presider** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Presider** It is right, and a good and joyful thing [...] Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **Sanctus**

#### ***Communion Service***

Zachary Wadsworth (1983- )



*Presider* Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life [...] Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Acclamation** *Christ Has Died* (CP 733)  
Music: *Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

*Presider* Remembering his death and resurrection [...] Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honour, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

**All** *Amen* (CP 734)  
Music: *Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

*Ringing of the bell. (x3)*

**The Lord's Prayer** Setting: McNeil Robinson (1943-2015)  
*Found in BAS p.918*

### Fraction

*Presider* The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

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

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

**Fraction Anthem** *Lamb of God* Zachary Wadsworth  
(from *Communion Service*)

### 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** *Thou visitest the earth* Maurice Greene (1696-1755)

Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it.  
Thou crownest the year with thy goodness.

*Wind Upon the Waters* (CP 408)  
Text and music: WIND UPON THE WATERS, Marty Haugen (1950- ).

1) All 2) High Voices 3) Low Voices 4) High Voices 5) All

### The Prayer after Communion

*Presider* Let us pray. God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and with all creation.

**All** Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you by tending the earth and caring for all your creatures; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Doxology

*Presider* Glory to God, 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.]

## Back to School Blessing

### Blessing of the Shawls

*Confitemini Domino*

(CP 402)

Text: Latin: Ps. 118:1; Eng. para. Taizé Community (France).

Music: CONFITEMINI, Jacques Berthier (1923-1994).

## The Blessing

May God the Creator, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation.  
May God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as labourers in his harvest.  
May God the Holy Spirit, who renews the face of the earth, give you joy in serving him and all creation.  
And the blessing of God, the Creator of all, the Christ who reconciles all, and the Spirit who renews all, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

(CP 425)

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Go now to love and serve the Lord, walking gently upon the earth, seeking justice, and rejoicing in all creation.

*All* Thanks be to God!

## Postlude

*Toccata, Op. 57*

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

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## Eucharistic Prayer 1 (EOW)

Today's Eucharistic Prayer is from *Enriching Our Worship*, a liturgical supplement of the Episcopal Church that offers expansive, inclusive language and a global vision of God's redeeming work. Chosen to celebrate God's ongoing creation and our call to faithful stewardship, the prayer highlights themes of hope, community, and the transforming power of Christ's love. Its rhythmic, participatory style invites the congregation to enter fully into the mystery of the Eucharist and to rejoice in God's gift of creation and life in all its diversity.

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## The Prayers of the People

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