

# The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Season of Creation

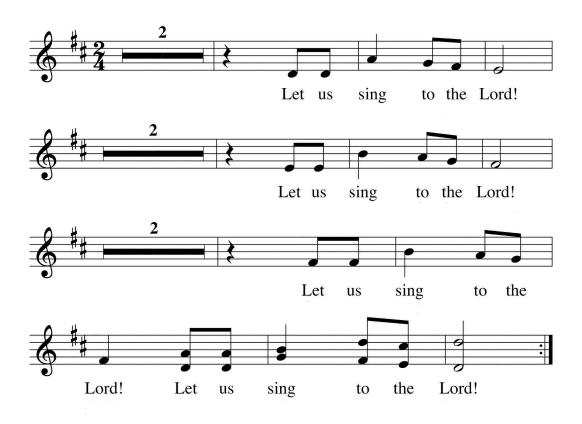
(Proper 23) Sundays@4

Sung Evening Prayer
With music from the Taizé Community
Christ Church Cathedral
September 7, 2025, 4:00 PM

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.

# Gathering Song Let us Sing to the Lord

Music Jacques Berthier (1923-94) Text: *Daniel*, *Luke*, *Psalms* 



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#### Cantor Verses:

All creation bless the Lord; and you angels of the Lord, praise and glorify the Lord.

Sun and moon bless the Lord; and you night and day bless the Lord, and you light and darkness bless the Lord.

Praise the Lord all the earth. Birds of the air bless the Lord. All creatures of the sea bless the Lord. Fire and hail bless the Lord. Snow and frost bless the Lord. With lute and harp bless the Lord. With strings and pipes bless the Lord.

All you heavens bless the Lord, spirits and souls of the just, saints and the humble of heart.

The glory of the Lord fills the earth. Let all people bless God's name. Let everything that breathes bless the Lord.

Sing aloud to the Lord. Praise our God for his wonderful deeds. Shout for joy to our God.

Welcome The Dean/Officiant

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.

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

The Service of Light (All stand)

All

Officiant Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

People A light no darkness can extinguish.

Hymn SNC 19 Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory

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 will be offered while Psalm 141 is sung in the setting at:

SNC 20 My Prayers Rise Like Incense

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

People Hear my voice when I cry to you.

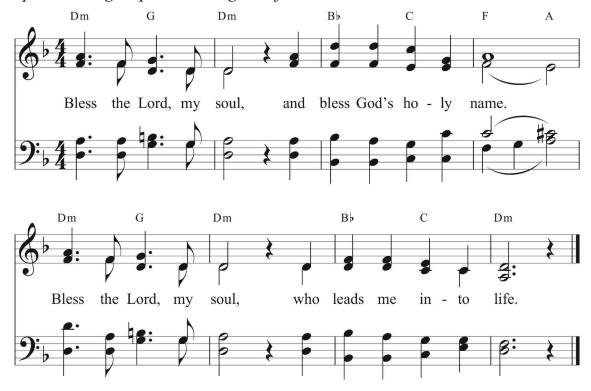
Officiant Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense,

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

All 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.

## Psalm 103 (Sitting)

All sing the refrain **twice** at the beginning. As the leader speaks the verses of the psalm, we hum the refrain softly. At the marked points during the psalm, we sing the refrain with the words **once**.



- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
- 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.
- 3 He forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, and your youth is renewed like an eagle's. **Refrain**.

- 6 The Lord executes righteousness and judgement for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses and his works to the children of Israel.
- 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always accuse us, nor will he keep his anger for ever. Refrain.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his children, so does the Lord care for those who fear him. **Refrain**.
- 14 For he himself knows whereof we are made; he remembers that we are but dust.
- 15 Our days are like the grass; we flourish like a flower of the field;
- 16 When the wind goes over it, it is gone, and its place shall know it no more.
- 17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endures for ever on those who fear him, and his righteousness on children's children;
- 18 On those who keep his covenant and remember his commandments and do them. Refrain.
- 19 The Lord has set his throne in heaven, and his kingship has dominion over all.
- 20 Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding, and hearken to the voice of his word.
- 21 Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will.
- 22 Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion bless the Lord, O my soul. **Refrain**.

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

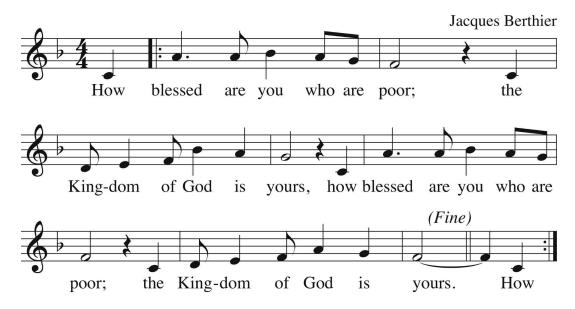
As it was in the beginning is now, and shall be for ever. Amen. Refrain

# The Proclamation of the Word

*Reading* Job 25:1-6, 27: 1-6

## Chant How Blessed are You Who are Poor

Sitting, we sing the chant three times.



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Reading John 10: 31-42

# Canticle Magnificat

(All stand)

We sing four times: 1) Latin 2) English 3) Latin 4) English



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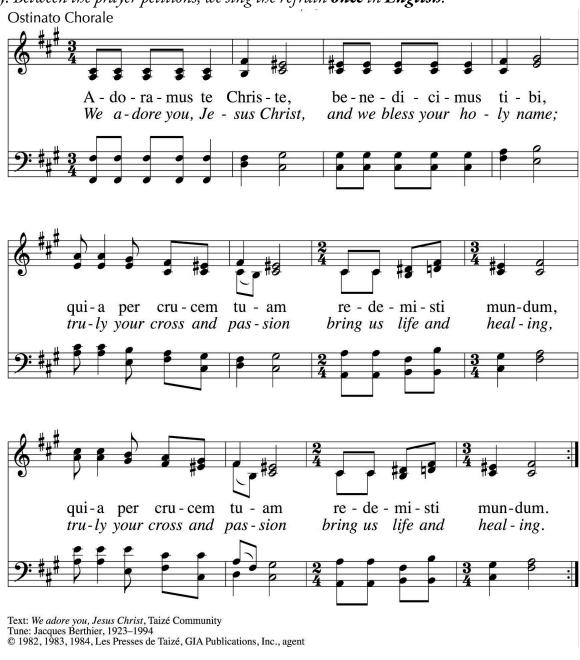
### **Affirmation of Faith**

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 and Thanksgivings (All sit)

All sing the refrain **twice** in **Latin** at the beginning. As the leader speaks the verses of the psalm, we hum the refrain softly. Between the prayer petitions, we sing the refrain **once** in **English**.



#### The Collect

Officiant 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 Lord's Prayer

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

## People 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**

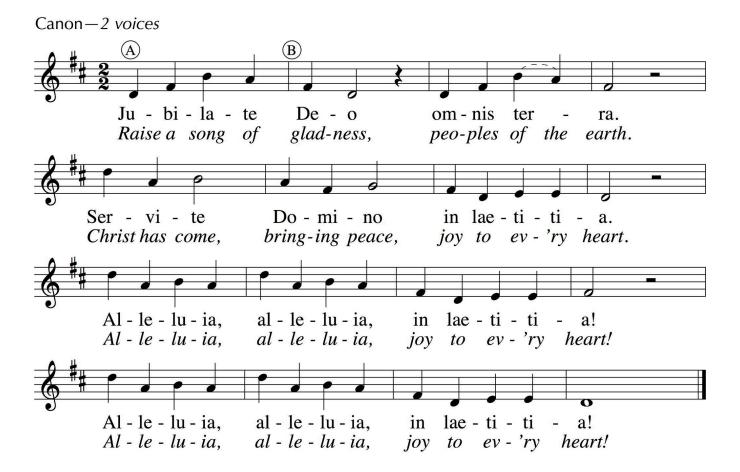
Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# Closing Song (Standing)

Words: Taizé Community, Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-94)

We sing through twice all together in Latin, then we split into two groups for the canon.



Text: Psalm 100, Rejoice in God, all the earth, Serve the Lord with gladness; Taizé Community, 1978 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994 © 1978, 1980, 1981, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

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

## Sundays@4

Sundays@4 features a different music-centered worship each Sunday at 4 p.m. 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 September 14 - Holy Cross Day - Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir Sunday September 21 - Sung Evening Prayer to the setting by Marty Haugen "Holden Evening Prayer" \*Sunday September 28 - 3.30pm Hymn Sing and 4pm Sung Eucharist for the 123rd Anniversary of the Proclamation of the Philippine Independent Church (in Filipino Language)

**Sunday October 5** - Sung Evening Prayer with music from the Taizé Community **Sunday October 12** - **Thanksgiving** - Sung Evening Prayer to the setting by Marty Haugen "Holden Evening Prayer"

Sunday October 19 - Broadway Vespers

Sunday October 26 - Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir

Sunday November 2 - All Saints Sunday - Organ Vespers

Sunday November 9 - Remembrance Sunday - Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir

Sunday November 16 - Sung Evening Prayer with music from the Taizé Community

**Sunday November 23** - **The Reign of Christ -** Sung Evening Prayer to the setting by Marty Haugen "Holden Evening Prayer"

**Sunday November 30 - Advent Sunday -** Advent Carol Service with the Cathedral Choir

Sunday December 7 - Christmas around the world: a multi-cultural celebration of Christmas music

**Sunday December 14** - Choral Evensong with the Cathedral Choir

Sunday December 21 - A Service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas with the Cathedral Choir

Sunday December 28 - There will be no Sundays@4 service Sunday January 4, 2026 - There will be no Sundays@ 4 service

Sunday January 11, 2026 - weekly Sundays@4 resumes

## **Participants**

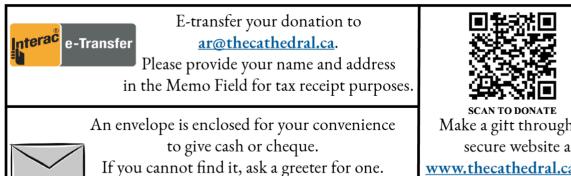
Clergy The Rev. Claude St. Denis

Reader Bernard Cuffling

Music The Cathedral Taizé Choir

Neil Cockburn (Director of Music)

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This worship takes place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyʻəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlʾilwətaʔł (Tsleil-Waututh) nations, in the heart of Vancouver.

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