

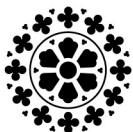


CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

Choral Eucharist

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Sunday, October 5, 2025 11.00 a.m.



CHRIST CHURCH
CATHEDRAL
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY



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.

A Note about the *Season of Creation*

The celebration of this Season began in 1989 when Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios I established September 1 as a Day of Prayer for Creation for the Orthodox Church. The World Council of Churches extended the celebration to October 4th, the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. During the *Season of Creation*, we join with Christians around the world to celebrate in prayer and action our Gospel calling to protect the Earth that God entrusted to our care, using prayers and liturgies created all over the global Anglican Communion. Environmental degradation is an all-encompassing social crisis and moral emergency that impacts and interconnects every aspect of pastoral concern including health, poverty, employment, racism, social justice, and family life and that can only be addressed by a great work of direct intervention involving every sector of society, including the Church. Therefore, this is a season of both celebration of God's gift to us in creation and a time of repentance of our poor stewardship of that gift. You will experience both of those competing impulses in the liturgies of this season.

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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 Canon Ian Powell

Musical Setting: Missa Brevis no. 4

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

This service is being broadcast live on the Internet. By attending this morning, you acknowledge and consent to the fact that video images of you may appear there.

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.

Prelude: Fantasie & Cantabile “Let the Earth Celebrate the Lord...” Rachel Laurin (d. 2023)

The Gathering of the Community

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Entrance Hymn #419—Let All Creation Bless the Lord

Tune: Mit Freuden Zart

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 for Purity

please remain standing

Presider Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis

David Thorne

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est.

Glo-ry to God in the High- est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,

Heav'n - ly King, Al-migh-ty God and Fa- ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we_

praise you for your glo - ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the

high - est. Lord, Je - susChrist, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther. Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us; You are

sea-ted at the righthand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God,

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly one,

You a - lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the most high, Je - sus Christ,

with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the Glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.

Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Collect of the Day

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

God of unchangeable power,
when you fashioned the world
the morning stars sang together
and the host of heaven shouted for joy;
open our eyes to the wonders of creation
and teach us to see all things for good,
to the honour of your glorious name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Job 39.1-18 / *all seated*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Response to the Reading: Psalm 121

remain seated



11. 1.

I LIFT up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?

**My help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heav'n and earth.**

He will not suffer your foot to stum-ble;
he who watches over you will not sleep.

**Behold, he who keeps watch over Is-rael
shall neither slum-ber nor sleep.**

The Lord himself watches ov-er you;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

**So that the sun shall not strike you by day,
neither the moon by night.**



11. 1.

The Lord shall keep you from all ev-il;
it is he who shall keep your soul.

**The Lord shall keep watch over your going out * and your coming in,
from this time forth for ev-er-more.**

Second Reading

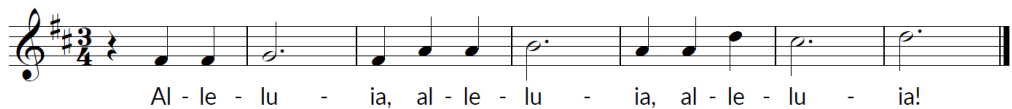
Acts 4.32-35, 5.1-11

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

All stand and turn to face the Book of the Gospels as it is carried into the midst of the community.



Choir Those who sowed with tears,
shall reap with songs of joy.

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 12.13-21

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

The Reverend Canon Bill Tarter, CFC

The Nicene Creed

all standing as able

Presider 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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He 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

please stand, sit or kneel as preferred

Leader O God, hear us.
People And turn us toward you.

Confession and Absolution

Presider Holy and merciful God,
All we confess that we have failed to honour you
by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures.
We have walked heavily on your earth,
overused and wasted its resources,
taken for granted its beauty and abundance,
and treated its inhabitants unjustly,
holding future generations hostage to our greed.
Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin.
Renew in us the resolve to keep
and conserve your earth
as you desire and intend,
with grateful and compassionate hearts,
though your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. 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 Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

Presider The God in heaven has made a home on earth. The peace of Christ 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 #423—How Great Thou Art

Tune: How Great Thou Art

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 and our easy to use Tap machines are available at the Quadra St. and Burdett Ave doors. 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 God of truth,
receive all we offer you this day.
Make us worthy servants,
strong to follow in the pattern
of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All **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 God thanks and praise.**

Presider You spoke the Word and all that is in heaven
and on the earth came to be.
Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements,
and you brought forth life in forms innumerable,
including our fragile earth,
and we among its inhabitants.

As our past is in you,
so our hope for the future rests with you.
As we have turned from your way,
so we turn again to the warmth of your love.
Through you all things are brought to new life.
And so with the wonders of creation
and the songs of praise of all your creatures
both in heaven and on earth
we praise you now and for ever singing:

Choir Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Presider On the night that Jesus was betrayed,
he took bread, work of human hands,

gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God.
He gave it to his friends
and said: "Take and eat,
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

He took the wine, work of human hands,
gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God.
He gave it to his friends saying:
"This is my blood of the new covenant,
shed for you and for all creation for
the forgiveness of sins.
Every time you drink this wine,
do this in remembrance of me."

All So we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again.

Presider Therefore God,
we who seek reconciliation with you;
with one another; and
with all creation,
draw close to this mystery.
In being broken, spilt and buried,
life springs forth again.
In the breaking, there is an opening up;
in the spilling, there are the roots of sharing;
in death and burial,
there is the seed of new life to come.
Send upon these elements,
upon us, and upon all your creation,
the life-giving Spirit
who first moved upon the waters of the deep.
Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive.
Unite us with you through the body
and blood of your Son,
your Word made flesh.

By whom, and with whom and in whom,
in the unity of your Creative Spirit,
with all that has been, is,

and will be in your universe,
we worship you,
God of all,
in songs of everlasting praise,
People **Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
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 forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider This is Living Bread, given for all Creation.
All **All who eat this bread share in Christ's Body.**

The Communion

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

Fraction Anthem

many prefer to be seated

Choir O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

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.

Anthem

Look at the world
Everything all around us
Look at the world
And marvel every day
Look at the world
So many joys and wonders
So many miracles
Along our way

Refrain

Praise to thee O Lord for all creation
give us thankful hearts that we may see
All the gifts we share and every blessing
All things come of thee

Look at the earth
Bringing forth fruit and flowers
Look at the sky
The sunshine and the rain
Look at the hills
Look at the trees and mountains
Valley and flowing river
Field and plain

Think of the spring
Think of the warmth of summer
Bringing the harvest
Before the winter's cold
Everything grows
Everything has a season
'Til it is gathered to the fathers fold

Every good gift
All that we need and cherish
Comes from the Lord
In token of his love

We are his hands
Stewards of all his bounty
His is the earth and his the heavens above

Text & Music: John Rutter (b. 1945)

Prayer after Communion

please stand

Presider Let us pray.

The community prays in silence.

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Saviour.

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.**

The Blessing

Presider God the Father, who created the world, give you grace to be wise stewards of his creation. **Amen.**
God the Son, who redeemed the world, inspire you to go out as labourers into his harvest. **Amen.**
God the Holy Spirit, whose breath fills the whole creation, help you to bear his fruits of love, joy and peace. **Amen.**
And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn #344—From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen /
remain standing

The Sending Forth of the Community

The Dismissal

Deacon Tend the earth, care for God's good creation, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

Voluntary: Fantasia in G minor, BWV 541

J.S. Bach (d. 1750)

Thank you for being part of this morning's service.



The Flowers in the cathedral are placed to the Glory of God and at the High Altar with love and thanksgiving for our parents, Vi and Fred Barton, from John and Barbara Barton.

Sources:

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A New Zealand Prayer Book

The Anglican Church of South Africa

Readings for Next Sunday (October 12, Harvest Thanksgiving)

Deuteronomy 26.1-11

Psalm 100

Philippians 4.4-9

John 6.25-35

Monthly outreach

For the month of October our monthly outreach recipient is the Canadian Harambee Education Society (CHES). The mission of CHES is to improve the quality of life of impoverished women and their communities in Kenya and Tanzania by providing secondary education scholarships for bright girls with no means of paying secondary school fees. For further information visit www.canadianharambee.ca

Assisting with Today's Liturgy

<i>Sidespersons</i>	Janis Wheatley, Karen Young, Gwyneth Evans, Heather Murphy
<i>Verger</i>	Bob Fearnley
<i>Servers</i>	Members of the Guild
<i>Musicians</i>	The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers The Cathedral Schola Mark McDonald, <i>Assistant Director of Music</i> Donald Hunt, <i>Director of Music</i>
<i>Readers</i>	Members of the Cathedral Team
<i>Prayers of the People</i>	Member of the Cathedral Team
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Members of the Cathedral Team
<i>Healing Ministry</i>	Diana McNeil, Susan MacRae
<i>Camera and Tech Team</i>	The Cathedral Technical Team
<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

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

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

9.40 a.m.	School Chapel	<i>Nave</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.	Choral Evensong	<i>Nave</i>

Thursday

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

Friday

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

Saturday

10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	<i>See Website for Location</i>
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Sunday

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

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