CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

# **Holy Eucharist**

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Sunday, October 19, 2025 9.15 a.m.





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.

If you would like to sign up for our E-news, or would like more information about the Cathedral, please visit our website www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca.

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 Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

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 sidespeople for assistance.

# The Gathering of the Community

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Tune: Lobe Den Herren

Hymn of Praise #384—Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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 of the Day

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

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before,

we may run the way of your commandments

and win the crown of everlasting joy;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

# The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Jeremiah 31.27-34 / all seated

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.



Oh, how I love your law! all the day long it is in my mind. Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, and it is always with me. Refrain

I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my study.
I am wiser than the elders, because I observe your commandments. Refrain

I restrain my feet from every evil way, that I may keep your word.
I do not shrink from your judgements, because you yourself have taught me.

Refrain

How sweet are your words on my taste! they are sweeter than honey to my mouth. Through your commandments I get understanding; therefore I hate every lying way.

\*\*Refrain\*\*

# Second Reading

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5

Reader The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.** 

# **Gospel Acclamation**

All stand and join in singing the Gospel Acclamation.



One The word of God is living and active; it sifts the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

## 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 18.1-8

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily The Reverend Ross Bliss

Affirmation of Faith all standing as able

Presider Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

All I believe in God,

the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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.

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again

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

please stand or sit as preferred

Leader Hear us, O Lord.
People And do not delay.

#### The Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

Tune: Seek Ye First

Presider The peace of the Lord 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 #458—Seek Ye First

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 (charitable tax receipt option available), as is our easy to use Tap machine for those who do not require a tax receipt. 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 Eternal God,

your word inspires our faith.

May we who offer you our praise

trust you in all things.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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 It is indeed right that we should praise you,

gracious God,

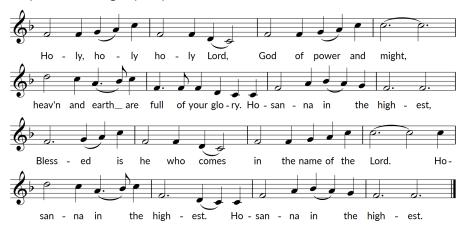
for you created all things,

And formed us in your own image. When we turned away from you in sin,

you did not cease to care for us,

but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

ΑII



Presider

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

## Presider All

Therefore we proclaim our hope. Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

#### Presider

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

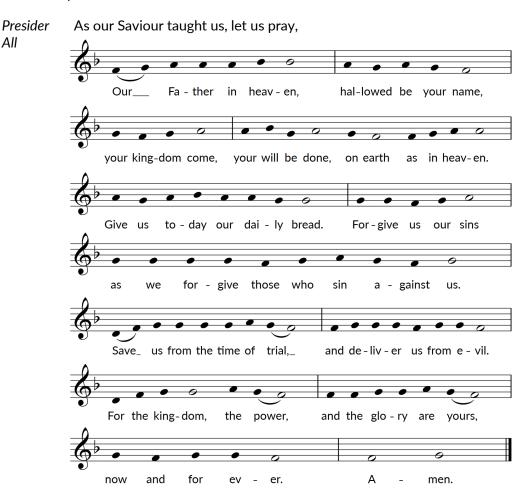
Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

People Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

ΑII



## The Breaking of the Bread

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord. Presider

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;

whoever believes in me will never thirst.

ΑII Taste and see that the Lord is good;

happy are they who trust in him.

#### The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

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.

# **Prayers after Communion**

please stand

Tune: Thaxted / remain standing

Presider God of Peace,

you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ.

May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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 And the blessing...Amen.

Hymn #575—Let Streams of Living Justice

# The Sending Forth of the Community

#### The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Thank you for being part of this morning's service. Please join us for coffee in the Chapter Room after the service.

**The Flowers** in the cathedral are placed to the Glory of God and in loving memory of James Jeffery by his wife Sally and his children.

#### Sources:

BAS; Common Worship

## Readings for Next Sunday (October 26, Proper 30)

Joel 2.23-32; Psalm 65; 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18; Luke 18.9-14

#### **Monthly Outreach**

During October our 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 more information visit www.canadianharambee.ca

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## Assisting with Today's Liturgy

Sidespersons Gary Badgley, Sheila Martindale

Verger Cyrus Chan

Server Drew Brazier

Musicians The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers

The Parish Choir

Donald Hunt, Director of Music

Readers Ted McLeod, Michele Waters

Deacon The Reverend Dr Adela Torchia

Assisting Clergy The Reverend Canon Ian Powell

Prayers of the People Cyrus Chan

Eucharistic Ministers Brenda Mowbray, Clementien Wolferstan

Healing Ministry Frances McLeod, Judith Kelsey

Chancel Guild Maureen Lundquist, president

# 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.

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8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Tuesday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Wednesday

9.40 a.m.	School Chapel	Nave
10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	See Website for Location
12.15 p.m.	Holy Communion, said	St Christopher's Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	Nave

**Thursday** 

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady Chapel

Friday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	Lady (	Chapel
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	Lady (	Chapel
6.30 p.m. &	Fever Candlelight: A Haunted Evening of Halloween Cl	assics	Nave
8.30 p.m.	(Ticketed Event)		

Saturday

10.00 a.m.	Walking Group Se	e Website for Location
10.30 a.m.	The Order of the Diocese of BC	Nave / Livestreamed
6.00 p.m.	Music Bingo—A Fundraiser for Rainbow Haven	Memorial Hall (Gym)

Sunday

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion, said	Lady Chapel
9.15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	Nave
11.00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist	Nave / Livestreamed
4.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	Nave / Livestreamed

\*For information on joining or attending, contact the Cathedral Office
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