

# Proper 29

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025 10:30 A.M. Choral Eucharist | In-Person & Livestream

The Very Reverend Christopher A. Pappas, *Presider*The Reverend Alisdair Smith, *Preacher*The Reverend Alisdair Smith, *Deacon*Dr. Neil Cockburn, *Organist & Director of Music* 

## 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: <a href="www.thecathedral.ca">www.thecathedral.ca</a>. 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;
- Parents are invited to drop off children aged 2.5+ downstairs in the Park Room for Sunday school. Sunday school starts at 10:30 a.m. and children will return to sit with their parents for communion.

The nursery is available downstairs as a quiet space for you and your children. The service is livestreamed so you can follow the worship.

#### Need to reach us?

Visit us at <a href="www.thecathedral.ca/pages/our-team">www.thecathedral.ca/pages/our-team</a> or scan the QR code on the right to access our clergy and staff contact information.

We're here to support you — feel free to reach out anytime!



# The Gathering of the Community

**Processional Hymn** 

Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

(CP 444)

Text: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891), alt. Music: THORNBURY, Basil Harwood (1859-1949).

1 Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age; the wondrous tale is written, full clear, on every page. Our forebears owned your goodness and we their deeds record, and both of this bear witness: one church, one faith, one Lord.

2 Your heralds brought glad tidings to greatest as to least; they bade them rise, and hasten to share the royal feast; and this was all their teaching, in every deed and word, to all alike proclaiming one church, one faith, one Lord.

3 When shadows, thickly falling, engulfed the world in night, you summoned forth your servants, your messengers of light. On them and on your people your plenteous grace was poured, and this was still their message: one church, one faith, one Lord.

4 And we, shall we be faithless, shall hearts fail, hands hang down? Shall we evade the struggle and cast away the crown? Not so; in God's deep counsels some better gift is stored: the covenant of promise — one church, one faith, one Lord.

5 Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone; with your right hand to help us, your people shall be one; and then, by all creation, your name shall be adored, and this shall be their anthem: one church, one faith, one Lord.

Presider In this time and place, we gather on the unceded ancestral lands of the x<sup>w</sup>məθk<sup>w</sup>əyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwəta? the (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:

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.

The congregation may be seated

The Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray. (Silence is kept.) Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith,

that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before,

All 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. Amen.

# The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

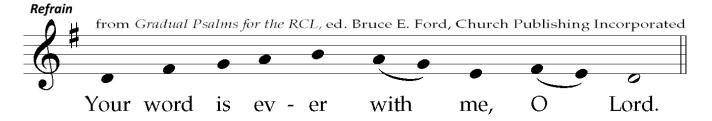
Jeremiah 31:27-34 (The Inclusive Bible)

At the conclusion of the reading:

Reader Word of God, word of life.

All Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 119:97-104



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 to my taste! they are sweeter than honey to my mouth. Through your commandments I gain understanding; therefore I hate every lying way. *Refrain.* 

#### The Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5 (The Inclusive Bible)

At the conclusion of the epistle:

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

All Thanks be to God.

Text: \*\*Shirley Erena Murray (1931-2020). Music: SUNRISE SONG, Tony E. Alonso (1980-).



### The Holy Gospel Luke 18:1-8 (A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church)

Deacon The Lord be with you. 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. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### The Sermon

The Reverend Alisdair Smith

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 to God, who is faithful and just to forgive. (Silence may be kept.)

God of all mercy,

All we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have

denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Saviour Jesus Christ,

that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus

Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in

eternal life. Amen.

#### The Peace

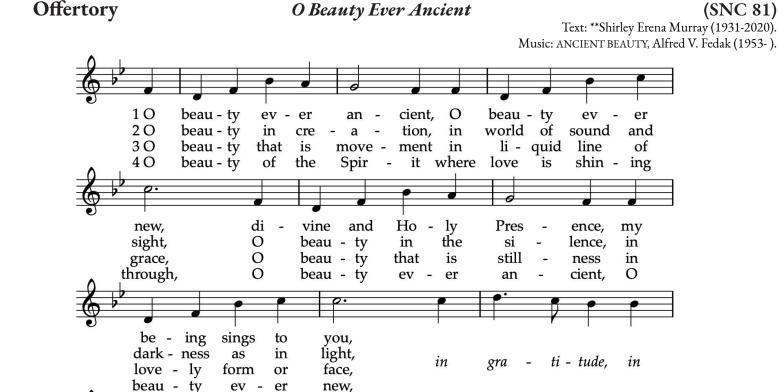
Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

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.



#### The Prayer over the Gifts

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Presider Eternal God, your word inspires our faith.

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All May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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#### The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer X - "God of the Harvest (With the Women of Faith)"

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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 indeed right, our duty and our joy [...] And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the

church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim your glory,

joining their unending hymn:





Presider

All praise to you, glorious God of grace [...]

With Mary, we magnify your name:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.

Remembering Martha [...] With Mary, we magnify your name:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.

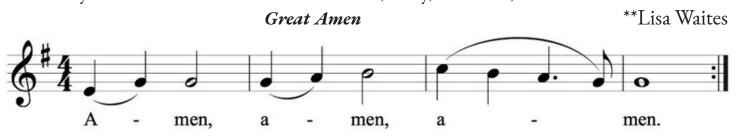
Mighty Gof mercy [...] With Mary, once more we magnify your name:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.

All praise to you, powerful God of peace.

We adore you, our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you who mother and feed and comfort us, today, tomorrow, and forever.



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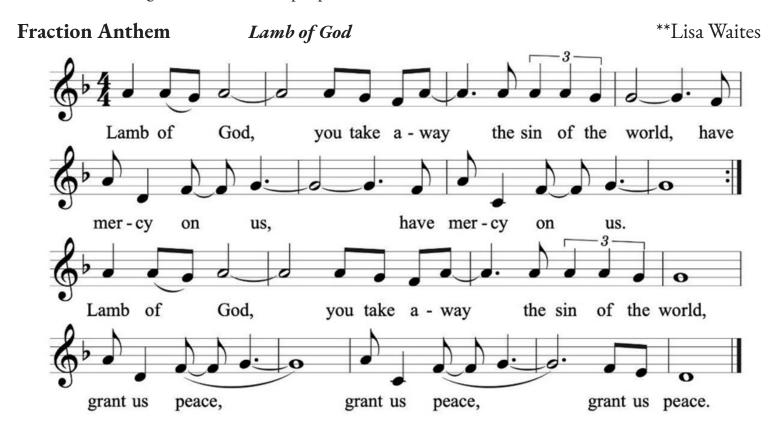
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Presider

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

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



#### 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**

Upon Your Heart

\*\*Eleanor Daley (1955-).

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

If you keep my commandments, you shall abide in my love, love one another as I have loved you, then shall your joy be complete. (Song of Solomon 8:6, 7; John 15:9-12)

#### The Prayer after Communion

Presider

Let us pray. 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. 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.]

#### The Blessing

**Closing Hymn** 

To God Be the Glory

(CP 371)

Text: \*\*Fanny Crosby (1820-1915), alt.; rev. *The Book of Praise*, 1997. Music: TO GOD BE THE GLORY, William Howard Doane (1832-1915).

1 To God be the glory, who great things has done! God so loved the world, freely sending the Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear God's voice.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give God the glory, who great things has done!

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, to every believer the promise of God: that when the offender, repenting, believes, through Jesus' atonement, God's pardon receives. *Refrain*.

3 Great things God has taught us, great things God has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our gladness when Jesus we see! *Refrain*.

#### **Dismissal**

Deacon

Go forth for the sake of the world. Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Rigaudon and Rondeau

\*\*Elizabeth Jacquet de la Guerre (1665-1729)

#### About the Eucharistic Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer is Eucharistic Prayer X: "God of the Harvest (With the Women of Faith)" from the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* (ELW) supplement *All Creation Sings* (ACS). It's one of the seasonal or thematic prayers included in *All Creation Sings: Liturgy, Music, Prayers, and Additional Resources* and is designed for use in Creation, Harvest, or Thanksgiving liturgies, and is notable for its inclusive, feminist, and ecological imagery, invoking biblical women from Sarah to Mary Magdalene. © 2020 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

#### \*\* Music Notes: Women's History Month

October is Women's History Month in Canada, and to highlight and honour women in the Christian tradition our Director of Music Dr. Neil Cockburn has selected music either composed by, or set to texts written by, women. These pieces are indicated by a double asterisk in the bulletin.

#### About the Readings

October is Women's History Month in Canada. For our scripture reading today, Archbishop John has authorized the use of scripture from the following Bible versions: *The Inclusive Bible* (Priests for Equality) and *The Women's Lectionary* (Dr. Wilda Gafney). *The Inclusive Bible* seeks to use gender-inclusive language. *The Women's Lectionary* seeks to intentionally feature and highlight women and children in the text. May these texts bless us in expanding our sense of the divine.

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This worship takes place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xwma0kwayam (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Səlilwəta? (Tsleil-Waututh) nations, in the heart of Vancouver.