



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

# Holy Eucharist

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Sunday, October 26, 2025 9.15 a.m.



CHRIST CHURCH  
**CATHEDRAL**  
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY



**W**elcome 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](http://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 Reverend Canon Doug Friesen

*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.*

## **The Gathering of the Community**

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Hymn of Praise #252—Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness   Tune: O Mein Jesu, Ich Muss Sterben

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.

Lord God our redeemer,  
who heard the cry of your people  
and sent your servant Moses  
to lead them out of slavery,  
free us from the tyranny of sin and death,  
and by the leading of your Spirit  
bring us to our promised land;  
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

Joel 2.23-32 / *all seated*

*Reader*       The Word of the Lord.

*People*       **Thanks be to God.**



You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;  
 to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.  
 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,  
 because of their transgressions. *Refrain*

Our sins are stronger than we are,  
 but you will blot them out.  
 Happy are they whom you choose  
 and draw to your courts to dwell there!  
 They will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,  
 by the holiness of your temple. *Refrain*

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,  
 O God of our salvation,  
 O Hope of all the ends of the earth  
 and of the seas that are far away.  
 You make fast the mountains by your power;  
 they are girded about with might. *Refrain*

You still the roaring of the seas,  
 the roaring of their waves, and the clamour of the peoples.  
 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvellous  
 signs;  
 You make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy. *Refrain*

You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
 you make it very plenteous;  
 the river of God is full of water.  
 You prepare the grain,  
 for so you provide for the earth. *Refrain*

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;  
 with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.  
 You crown the year with your goodness,  
 and your paths overflow with plenty. *Refrain*

*Refrain*

## 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18

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

## Gospel Acclamation

*All stand and join in singing the Gospel Acclamation.*



*One* God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself,  
and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation.

# 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 18.9-14

*Deacon*      The Gospel of Christ.  
*People*      **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

## The Reverend Canon Ian Powell

## 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* Lord, teach us to pray,  
*People* **And be merciful to us.**

The Exchange of the Peace

*all standing as able*

*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 #509—Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Tune: Precious Lord

*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* God of constant love,  
 you have guided your people  
 in all times and ages.  
 May we who offer you our praise today

always be ready to follow where you lead;  
we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.

*All*

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est,  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*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* Therefore we proclaim our hope.  
*All* **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

*Presider* As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,  
*All*



Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.  
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins  
as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,  
now and for ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider* "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.  
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;  
whoever believes in me will never thirst.

*All* **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.*

## Anthem

How lovely is thy dwelling place,  
O Lord of hosts, to me!  
My thirsty soul desires and longs  
within thy courts to be;  
my very heart and flesh cry out,  
O living God, for thee.

Beside thine altars, gracious Lord,  
the swallows find a nest;  
how happy they who dwell with thee  
and praise thee without rest,  
and happy they whose hearts are set  
upon the pilgrim's quest.

One day within thy courts excels  
a thousand spent away;  
how happy they who keep thy laws  
nor from thy precepts stray,

for thou shalt surely bless all those  
who live the words they pray.

*Text: Ps. 84; para. sts. 1-2, Scottish Psalter, 1650; para. sts. 3-4, Carl P. Daw, Jr. (1944-).  
Sts. 3-4 © 1981 Hope Publishing Co.  
Music: Donald Hunt (b. 1985)*

## Prayers after Communion

*please stand*

*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 #503—Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might      Tune: Pentecost / *remain standing*

## 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.

### Sources:

BAS; Common Worship

# 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.  | Requiem Eucharist    | <i>Nave / Livestreamed</i> |

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

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