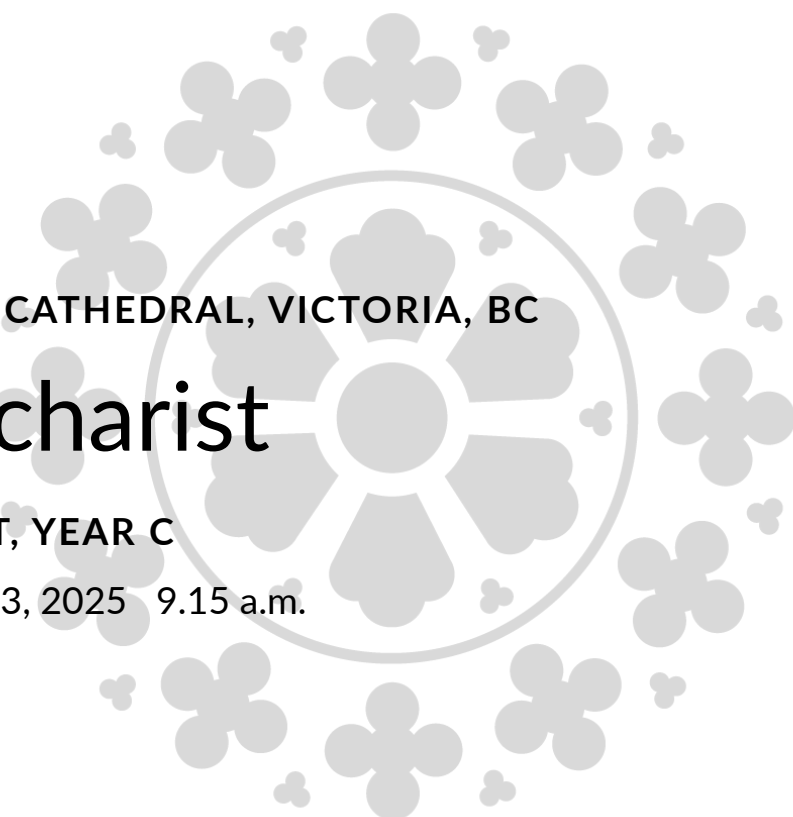




CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

Holy Eucharist

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Sunday, November 23, 2025 9.15 a.m.



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CATHEDRAL
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY



ANGLICAN DIOCESE
OF ISLANDS AND INLETS
RENEWED HEARTS, RENEWED SPIRITS, RENEWED PEOPLE

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 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 #520—The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Tune: Dominus Regit Me

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 everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
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 23.1–6 / *all seated*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

We bless you, God of Israel;
you come to set your people free.
In Jesus, born of David's line,
salvation springs for all to see.

You promised through the prophets' word,
to save your people from their foes;
in freedom they will worship you,
fearless, delivered from their woes.

This child will go before the Lord,
the vanguard of Messiah's way,
preaching forgiveness full and free—
the prelude to God's perfect day.

Your tender love, like early dawn,
heralds the day of endless peace,
the darkness of death's shadow fades;
your justice reigns, and will not cease.

*Text: Song of Zechariah (Luke 1.68-79); para. Paul Gibson (1932-) ©.
Music: Melody Antiphoner, Rouen, 1728; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).
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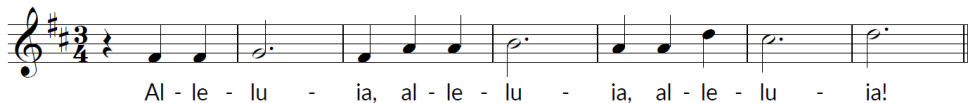
Second Reading

Colossians 1.11-20

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

Gospel Acclamation

All stand and join in singing the Gospel Acclamation.



One Blessed is he who comes in the names of the Lord!
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming!

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 23.33-43

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

Homily

The Reverend Canon Bill Tarter, CFC

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 Let your will be done,
People **on earth as in heaven.**

Confession and Absolution

Presider Most merciful God,
All We confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. **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 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 #304—All Things Are Thine

Tune: Ye Banks and Braes

A basket is passed to receive monetary gifts which will be offered along with bread and wine at the altar. 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 pledges at Ingathering

Presider Gracious God, we give thanks for these gifts, the promises of our members to participate in the mission and ministry of Christ Church Cathedral this coming

year. We pray that you inspire us with the example of your freely-given love to serve our neighbours, heal the world, and strengthen our community. Bless these intentions, pledges, promises and the people who make them, that our shared wealth, works, and wisdom may glorify you and make your dream alive in our community. May these gifts honour the work you have given us to do here in this place. May we bless, break, and share these gifts of time, talent, and treasure with our neighbours, sharing our Good News with the world. **Amen.**

Prayer over the Gifts

Deacon Eternal God,
by your grace you have raised us up
and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms.
Receive all we offer you this day,
and lead us in those good works
for which you have created us.
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.

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All

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

O clap your hands, all you people: shout unto God with a voice of triumph, for God has gone up, gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Sing praise, sing praise to God, sing praise unto our King. Sing praise, sing praise to God, for God is the King of all the earth. Hallelujah, glory be to God on high!

Text: from Psalm 47

Music: Wiley Beveridge (b. 1951) and Bill Shehee arr. Mimi Farra

Prayers after Communion

please stand

Presider Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood
in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Make known his victory through us, we pray,
that all the world may see his light.
We ask this 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 #383—Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Tune: Duke Street / *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. 11

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>
3.00 p.m.	UVic Winter Choral Concert	<i>Nave</i>

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.	Advent Procession	<i>Nave / Livestreamed</i>

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

This schedule is subject to change, visit www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca/events for the most up-to-date information.

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