

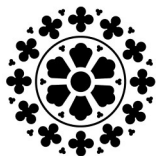


CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

Choral Eucharist

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY, YEAR A

Sunday, February 8, 2026 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.

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 Ian Powell
Musical Setting: Missa secunda

Hans Leo Hassler (d. 1612)

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 sidespeople for assistance.

Prelude: Épitaphe

Louis Vierne (d. 1937)

The Gathering of the Community

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Entrance Hymn #537—In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Tune: Cross of Jesus

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

remain standing as able

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 - sus Christ, 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.

Merciful Lord,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading

Isaiah 58.1-12 / *all seated*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Response to the Reading: Psalm 112.1-10

remain seated



AL-LE-luia. * Blessed are those who fear ^ the Lord /
and have great delight in his commāndments.

**Their descendants will be might-y in ^ the land, /
a generation of the faithful that will bē blest.**

Wealth and riches will be in their house, /
and their righteousness en-dures for ëver.

**Light shines in the darkness for the upright; /
gracious and full of compassion are the rìghteous.**

It goes well with those who are ge-ner-ous in lending /
and order their af-fairs with jüstice,

**For they will ne-ver ^ be shaken; /
the righteous will be held in ever-last-ing ^ remëbrance.**



They will not be afraid of any ev-il tidings; /
their heart is steadfast, trust-ing ^ in thē Lord.

**Their heart is sustained and will not fear, /
until they see the down-fall ^ of thēir foes.**

They have given freely to the poor; * their righteousness stands fast for
ever; /
their head will be ex-al-ted ^ with hōnour.

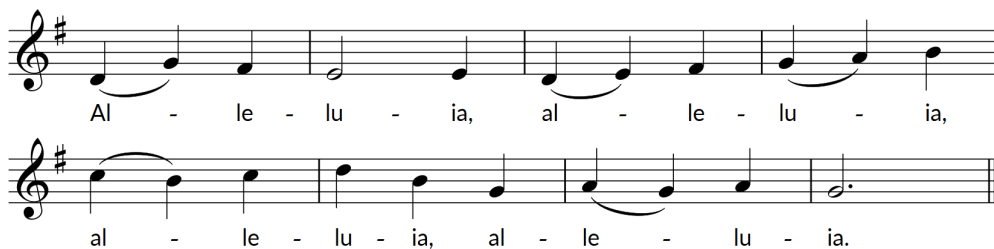
Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2.1-12 / *all seated*

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 I am the light of the world, says the Lord.
Those who follow me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

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 Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Matthew 5.13-20

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

Homily

The Reverend Anna E. Rossi

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 Holy one of blessing,
People **receive our prayer.**

The Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

Presider Jesus said, "I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."
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 #645—Come Down, O Love Divine

Tune: Down Ampney

*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 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 compassion and forgiveness,
receive our offering this day,

and make us one with him who is our peace,
Jesus Christ our Saviour.

People **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 our 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.

<i>Choir</i>	<i>Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,</i>	Holy, holy, holy,
	<i>Dominus Deus Sabaoth.</i>	Lord God of hosts.
	<i>Pleni sunt coeli et terra</i>	Heaven and earth are full
	<i>gloria tua.</i>	of your glory.
	<i>Hosanna in excelsis.</i>	Hosanna in the highest.
	<i>Benedictus qui venit</i>	Blessed is he who comes
	<i>in nomine Domini.</i>	in the name of the Lord.
	<i>Hosanna in excelsis.</i>	Hosanna in the highest.

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 these gifts,
 and upon us,
 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 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 "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.**

Fraction Anthem

many prefer to be seated

Choir *Agnus Dei,* Lamb of God,
 qui tollis peccata mundi, who takes away the sin of the world,
 miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,
 qui tollis peccata mundi, who takes away the sin of the world,
 dona nobis pacem. grant us 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.

Anthem

*Jerusalem surge, et sta in excelso, et vide
jucunditatem quae veniet tibi a Deo tuo.*

Arise, O Jerusalem, and stand on high, and behold
the joy that comes to thee from thy God!

*Text: Baruch 5.5, 4.36
Music: Heinrich Isaac (d. 1517)*

Prayer after Communion

please stand

Presider Let us pray.

The community prays in silence.

Presider Eternal God,
 in you we find peace beyond all telling.
 May we who share in this heavenly banquet
 be instruments of your peace on earth,
 in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

People **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 Sending Forth of the Community

The Blessing

Presider And the blessing of God...**Amen.**

Hymn #393—Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Tune: St Denio / *remain standing*

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

Voluntary: Prelude in G major, BWV 541i

J. S. Bach (d. 1750)

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



The flowers in the cathedral are placed to the glory of God.

Readings for Next Sunday, 15 February.

Exodus 24.12-18

Psalm 2

2 Peter 1.16-21

Matthew 17.1-9

Sources

BAS; Common Worship

Monthly Outreach

The monthly outreach for February is the First Peoples' Cultural Foundation. The foundation is an Indigenous-led registered charitable organization that funds programs to support the revitalization of the languages, arts, and cultural heritage of BC First Nations. Their goal is to secure stable, long-term funds that support intergenerational cultural revitalization of BC First Nations communities. For more information visit their website www.fpcf.ca

Assisting with Today's Liturgy

<i>Sidespersons</i>	Janis Wheatley, Jen Purkis, Diana McNeil, Elaine Ellison
<i>Verger</i>	Bob Fearnley
<i>Servers</i>	Karl-Lukas Steiniger, Daegan Noel, Cyrus Chan
<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>	Ian MacLennan, Elsie Hepburn
<i>Prayers of the People</i>	Jen Purkis
<i>Deacon</i>	The Reverend Canon Nancy Ford
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Daniel Dempsey, Elsie Hepburn, Jen Purkis
<i>Camera and Tech Team</i>	The Cathedral Technical Team
<i>Chancel Guild</i>	Sue Black, <i>president</i>

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

*The Cathedral is open Monday to Friday from 8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.,
Saturdays from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. and Sundays from 8.00 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>
9.30 a.m.	Community Coffee Hour	<i>Nave</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>
5.00 p.m.	Winter Glow (<i>Ticketed Event</i>)	<i>Bard & Banker</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>
7.30 p.m.	Cathedral Jazz: Valentine's Concert (<i>Ticketed Event</i>)	<i>Nave</i>

Saturday

10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	<i>See Website for Location</i>
8.30 p.m.	Fever: Candlelight Concerts (<i>Ticketed Event</i>)	<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>
12.00 p.m.	Annual General Meeting	<i>Nave</i>
4.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	<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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