

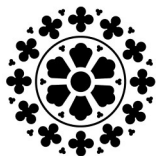


CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

# Cathedral Eucharist

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY, YEAR A

Sunday, February 15, 2026 10.30 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.

### **Organ Voluntaries in February**

In recognition of Black History Month, this month's organ voluntaries have been selected to showcase works by Black composers. This week we will hear music by composers Samuel Coleridge-Taylor and Fela Sowande.

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912) was born in Holborn (London) to an English mother and Sierra Leonean father who was among the many slaves freed and evacuated to England after the American Revolutionary War. A musical prodigy, he was championed by his teachers Charles Villiers Stanford and Edward Elgar and received many accolades in his short lifetime as a composer, political activist, and promoter of African and African-American music. He died tragically at the age of 37 from complications from pneumonia.

Fela Sowande (1905-1987) was born in Lagos, Nigeria, the son of an Anglican priest. Growing up as a choirboy, he was taken under the wing of Nigerian church music pioneer T.K. Ekundayo Philips who pushed the young musician to go on to further studies at the University of London and Trinity College of Music. Throughout the 1930's and 40's, he established himself in London as a sought-after theatre organist and pianist, performing alongside Fats Waller, Adelaide Hall, and Vera Lynn. He would later return to Nigeria to direct music for the Nigerian Broadcasting Corporation and in 1968 he settled in the United States where he would serve on faculty at Howard University, the University of Pittsburgh, and finally at Kent State University.

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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 Anna E. Rossi

Musical Setting: Messe Brève

Yves Castagnet (b. 1964)

*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: Melody

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (d. 1912)

### **The Gathering of the Community**

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Entrance Hymn #5—Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Tune: Ratisbon

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 Deo  
et in terra pax  
hominibus bonae voluntatis.*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace  
to people of good will.

*Laudamus te, benedicimus te,  
adoramus te, glorificamus te,  
gratias agimus tibi  
propter magnam gloriam tuam,  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.*

We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks  
on account of your great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly king,  
Almighty God and Father,

*Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe,  
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis;  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
who takes away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
who takes away the sin of the world,  
hear our prayers;  
you who are seated at the right hand  
of the Father, have mercy on us:

*Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,  
tu solus Dominus,  
tu solus Altissimus,  
Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.*

For you alone are Holy,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God,  
on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses  
your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured:  
mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world,  
and change us into his likeness from glory to glory;  
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

Exodus 24.12-18 / *all seated*

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

Response to the Reading: Psalm 2

*remain seated*



WHY ARE the nations in tu-mult,/  
and why do the peoples de-vise a vain plot?

**The kings of the earth rise up, \* and the rulers take counsel to-ge-ther, /  
against the Lord and against his an-oint-ed:**

Let us break their bonds a-sun-der /  
and cast a-way their cords from ^ us.'

**He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn; /  
the Lord shall have them in de-ri-sion.**

Then shall he speak to them in his wrath /  
and terrify them in his fury:

**Yet have I set my king /  
upon my holy hill of Zion.'**

I will proclaim the decree of the Lord; /  
he said to me: 'You are my Son; this day have I be-got-ten ^ you.

**Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your in-her-i^tance /  
and the ends of the earth for your pos-ses-sion.**

You shall break them with a rod of ir-on /  
and dash them in pieces like a pot-ter's ves-sel.'



The Baptismal Covenant

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God,  
The Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Presider* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his 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.**

*Presider* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Presider* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Presider* Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## The Prayers

*Intercessor* Let us pray.

Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Fill us with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Teach us to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Send us into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Presider* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

## The Exchange of the Peace

*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

*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!*

Hymn—How shall I sing that majesty

Tune: Coe fen



How shall I sing that majesty  
which angels do admire?  
Let dust in dust and silence lie;  
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.  
Thousands of thousands stand around  
thy throne, O God most high;  
ten thousand times ten thousand sound  
thy praise; but who am I?

Thy brightness unto them appears,  
whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
a sound of God comes to my ears,  
but they behold thy face.

They sing, because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
for where heaven is but once begun  
there alleluias be.

Enlighten with faith's light my heart,  
inflammé it with love's fire;  
then shall I sing and bear a part  
with that celestial choir.  
I shall, I fear, be dark and cold,  
with all my fire and light;  
yet when thou dost accept their gold,  
Lord, treasure up my mite.

How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
to sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
a sun without a sphere;  
thy time is now and evermore,  
thy place is everywhere.

*Text: John Mason (1645?-1694)*

*Music: Ken Naylor (1931-1991)*

## Prayer over the Gifts

*Deacon* Holy God,  
receive all we offer you this day,  
and bring us to that radiant glory  
which we see in the transfigured face  
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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

*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

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here;  
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.  
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground;  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;  
He burns with holy fire, with splendor he is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;  
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.  
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him;  
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

*Text & Music: David Evans (b. 1957), arr. Richard Shephard (d. 2021)*

## Prayer after Communion

*please stand*

*Presider* Let us pray.

*The community prays in silence.*

*Presider* Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.  
May we who are partakers of his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know  
his power to change and save.  
We ask this in his name.

*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 #560—God, Whose Almighty Word

Tune: Moscow / *remain standing*

#### The Dismissal

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

Voluntary: Jubilate

Fela Sowande (d. 1987)

*Thank you for being part of this morning's service. Please join us in St Christopher's Chapel for coffee before the Annual General Meeting at 12noon.*



**The flowers** in the cathedral are placed to the glory of God and at the High Altar in memory of departed members of the Women's Parish Guild. The flowers in the Lady Chapel and St Michael's Chapel are placed in loving memory of Jane Rose by her family. The flowers in St Christopher's Chapel are in loving memory of Duncan Frame.

### **Readings for Next Sunday, 22 February.**

Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7

Psalm 32

Romans 5.12-19

Matthew 4.1-11

### **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](http://www.fpcf.ca)



## Assisting with Today's Liturgy

<i>Sidespersons</i>	Victor Aimey, Donna White, Sue Black, Karen Young, Gwyneth Evans
<i>Verger</i>	Bob Fearnley
<i>Servers</i>	Heather Frame, Mairead Burdick, Karl-Lukas Steiniger, Cyrus Chan
<i>Musicians</i>	The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers The Youth Choir The Parish Choir The Cathedral Choir Mark McDonald, <i>Assistant Director of Music</i> Donald Hunt, <i>Director of Music</i>
<i>Readers</i>	Margaret Ketchen, Stephen Calderwood
<i>Prayers of the People</i>	Mary Hendy
<i>Deacon</i>	The Reverend Canon Doug Friesen
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Ian Robertson, Ian MacDonald, Elsie Hepburn, Susanna Longridge
<i>Healing Ministry</i>	Lois Rumsey, Joyce Dreilich
<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>
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.	Choral Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes	<i>Nave</i>
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
7.00 p.m.	Choral Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes	<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>
6.00 p.m.	Maestro Rey Valera Live in Concert (Ticketed Event)	<i>Nave</i>

## **Sunday**

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

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

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