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SUNDAYS
@ 4
Evening Prayer

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Vocations Sunday

Holden Evening Prayer

4pm, Christ Church Cathedral, April 26, 2026

*You are invited to join in the prayers and singing of the congregational hymns and refrains,
as we make our offering of prayer and worship.*

Hymn (Standing) SNC 53 Christ Has Arisen

[MFURAHINI, HALELUYA]

The Dean/Officiant The Cathedral sits on the ancestral lands of the of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tseil-Waututh nations. This land was and continues to be of great importance to the Coast Salish Peoples. Consistent with our values of community, inclusion and respecting the dignity of every human being, we have a responsibility to acknowledge, honour and make visible the Cathedral's relationship to Native peoples.

All **From many places and peoples we come to this house of prayer.**

SERVICE OF LIGHT (Standing)

Leader:



Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All:



the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

Leader:



Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All:



and the day is al - most over.

Leader:



Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

All:




and shine within your peo - ple here. —

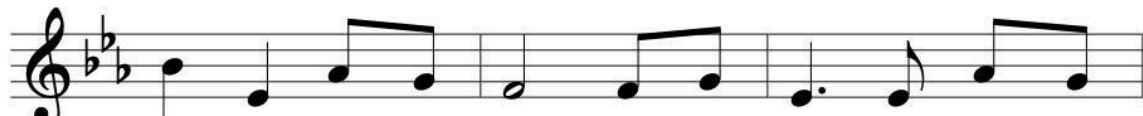
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Evening Hymn (Standing)


All: a tempo




1. Joy - ous light of heav - 'nly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav - en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry




glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle




sto - ry, shine on ev - 'ry land and race. Now as
wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new. _____
free and make us whole. _____
on to end - less day. _____

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Leader: *All:*

May God be with you all, and al - so with you;

Leader:

Let us sing our thanks to — God,

All:

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader: Blessed are you, Creator of the universe—from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

All:

A - men.

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PSALMODY, READINGS AND CANTICLES

Psalm 141 (*All sit*)

All:

Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

fore you, the lift - ing up of my

hands as an of - fer - ing to you. —

Leader or Group One:

— O God, I call to you, come to me

All or Group Two:

O God, I

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now; O hear my voice when I
 call to you, come to me now; O
 cry to you. Let my prayer rise
 hear my voice when I cry to you.
 up like in-cense be-fore you, the
 Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be-
 lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to
 fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an
 you. Keep watch with-in me, God;
 of-fer-ing to you. Keep

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deep in my heart may the light of your love be
 watch with - in me, God; deep in my heart may the

burn - ing bright. ——— Let my prayer rise
 light of your love be burn - ing bright.

up like in - cense be - fore you, the
 Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -

lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
 fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an

you. ——— All praise to the God of all - Cre -
 of - fer - ing to you. All

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a - tor of life; all praise be to Christ and the
 praise to the God of all- Cre - a - tor of life; all
 Spir - it of love. Let my prayer rise
 praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of love.
 up like in - cense be - fore you, the
 Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be -
 lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to
 fore you, the lift - ing up of my hands as an
 you.
 of - fer - ing to you.

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Leader

May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense, and may your presence surround and fill us, so that in union with all creation, we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

All

Amen.

Psalm 103 (*Sitting*)

Music: Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

The verses are sung by the cantors. All are invited to sing the refrain.

REFRAIN: (*Cantor first, then all*)

The Lord is kind and mer-ci-ful, the
Lord is kind and mer-ci-ful.

Verses:

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all my being bless God's name; bless the Lord, and forget not God's benefits. **REFRAIN***

*You pardon all our iniquities, and comfort our sorrows, redeem our lives from destruction, and crown us with your kindness. **REFRAIN***

*Merciful and gracious is our God; slow to anger, abounding in kindness. **REFRAIN***

Reading Wisdom 1: 1-15

Hymn (*Standing*) **SNC 117 Sometimes a Healing Word is Comfort**

Reading Mark 6: 30-44

Antiphon (*All Stand*) [*Cantors*] *An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favoured, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God, I live to do your will."*

The Magnificat (*Standing*)

All:

1., 3. My — soul pro - claims your
2. You have cast the might - y

great - ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in
down from their thrones, and up - lift - ed the hum - ble of

you, You have looked with love on your
heart, You have filled the hun - gry with

fine last time

ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.
won - drous things, and left the wealth - y no part.

Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,

strong is your kind - ness ev - er - more.
strong is your jus - tice strong your love,

How you fa - vor the weak — and low - ly one,
As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,

hum - bling the proud of heart.
kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

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Affirmation of Faith (*Standing*)

Officiant

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All

**Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers, and to all the apostles:
this we have received, and this we believe.
Amen.**

All stand, sit, or kneel for the Prayers and Litany, as is your custom.

LITANY AND PRAYERS

A *Repeat continuously*

(Hmmm)

B

God — of mer - cy, hold us in love.

The last time, instead of “God of mercy, hold us in love,” we sing: Keep us, hold us, gracious God.

Leader

O God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All

Amen.

Leader
All

God, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:
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.

Hymn

SNC 131 Live Into Hope

[TRURO]

Final Blessing

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and consists of several parts. The first part is a melody for the Leader in 2/4 time, with lyrics: "Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you." This is followed by a melody for the All in 4/4 time. The second part is a melody for the Presider in 4/4 time, with lyrics: "May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for all of our days." The final part is a chordal melody for the All in 4/4 time, with lyrics: "A - men." The score includes a bass line for the final "Amen" section.

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Participants

Clergy The Rev. Claude St-Denis
Reader John Innes
Music Meruert Bestybay and Lyle Isbister (*Cantors*)
 Dr. Neil Cockburn (*Organist & Director of Music*)

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