



# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Sunday, May 10, 2026 at 11.00 am

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*Welcome to the Cathedral Church of the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia.*

*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.*

*This service is being broadcast live on the internet.*

*By attending, you acknowledge and consent to the fact that video images of you may appear there.*

Today's service ("the liturgy") is the work of the whole People of God, and all are encouraged to speak the responses in **bold** and sing the hymns, found in the blue *Common Praise* hymnal.

## The Gathering

ORGAN PRELUDE     *Praeambulum supra "Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her"*

Johann Krebs (d. 1780)

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WELCOME

*The people stand as the procession enters.*

HYMN 205

Ellacombe

**The day of resurrection!**  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the passover of gladness,  
the passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over,  
with hymns of victory.

**Our hearts be pure from evil,**  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light;  
and listening to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain  
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

**Now let the heavens be joyful!**  
Let earth her song begin;  
the round world keep high triumph,  
and all that is therein.

Let all things seen and unseen  
their notes in gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord is risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

Text: John of Damascus (696?-754?); trans. John Mason Neale (1818-1866). Music: Melody Gesangbuch, Wurttemberg, 1784.

### DOMINICAL GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

### SEASONAL GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,

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

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 - susChrist, 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.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*The people sit.*

**The Proclamation of the Word**

**THE FIRST READING**

Acts 17.22-31

*The reading concludes*

The Word of the Lord.  
 Thanks be to God.

**PSALM 66.8-20**

VIII. 2.



You let enemies ride over our heads; \* we went through fire and wa-ter;  
 but you brought us out into a place of li-ber^ty.  
**I will come into your house with burnt offerings and will pay you my vows,**  
**which my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trou-ble.**  
 I will offer you fat burnt sacrifices with the smoke of rams;  
 I will sacrifice ox-en and goats.  
**Come and listen, all you who fear God,**  
**and I will tell you what he has done for my soul.**  
 I called out to him with my mouth  
 and his praise was on my^tongue.  
**If I had nursed evil in my heart,**  
**the Lord would not have heard me,**  
 But in truth God has heard me;  
 he has heeded the voice of my prayer.  
**Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,**  
**nor withheld his loving mer-cy from me.**

1 Peter 3-13-22

## THE SECOND READING

*The reading concludes*

The Word of the Lord.  
 Thanks be to God.

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 14.15-21

*The people stand and turn to face the Gospel as it is processed into the center aisle.**The choir sings*

If you love me, you will keep my word,  
 and my Father will love you, and we will come to you.

*The acclamation is reprised:*

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Before the Gospel*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The Gospel is proclaimed in the midst of the people, concluding:*

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

*The people sit.*

SERMON

The Reverend Anna E. Rossi

*The people stand.*

THE NICENE CREED

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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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

*The people remain standing. Each bidding concludes*  
Risen Christ, we pray.

*The people respond*  
Hear our prayer.

*The Presider concludes the prayers with the following or another suitable collect:*

Risen Christ, whose gift to us is the Spirit of truth: come, make your home with us, so that, keeping your commandments, we may dwell with you and the Father. Amen.

## THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
And also with you.

*The people greet one another with a gesture of Christ's peace, then take their seats for the announcements.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# The Celebration of the Eucharist

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2



*The people stand.*

*The people's gifts of bread, wine and money are offered at the altar. All are invited to give by placing money in the offering basket as it circulates, visiting a Tap machine, located at the Quadra Street and Burdett Avenue doors, or scanning the QR code found in this service leaflet.*

## HYMN 486

Blaenwern

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion;  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver;  
let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee,  
changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937) ©. Reprinted by permission of Mr. G.A. Gabe.

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Scottish Liturgy, Prayer VI

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life. Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light. Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love. As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

plainsong  
Missa de angelis

*Sung by the choir, in Latin.*

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,  
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy,  
Lord God of Hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.

Benedictus qui venit  
in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis

Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest.

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery shone clear that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to the fearful disciples, greeting fishermen on the shore, he renewed the promise of his presence and of new birth in the Spirit who sets the seal of freedom on your children.

Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you.

This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command We recall his blessed passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom. Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves a single, holy living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by your Spirit's life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, let us 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 for ever. Amen.**

#### FRACTION SENTENCE

*Bread is broken. Silence may be kept.*

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the Body of Christ.

**Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

#### THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All are invited to receive communion around the altar rails. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer not to receive the Bread or Wine, simply cross your arms and a blessing will be offered. Communion ministers will come to the pews to serve any who cannot access the altar rails.*

## AGNUS DEI

plainsong

*Sung by the choir, in Latin.*

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin of the world,  
grant us peace.

## ANTHEM

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you for ever, e'en the Spirit of truth.

- John 14.15-17

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.  
**Amen.**

## DOXOLOGY

Glory to God,  
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

## THE BLESSING

*The presider, or bishop when present, pronounces God's blessing. The people respond.*  
**Amen.**

## HYMN 474

Warrington

Jesus, where'er thy people meet,  
there they behold thy mercy-seat;  
where'er they seek thee, thou art found,  
and every place is hallowed ground.

For thou, within no walls confined,  
inhabitest the humble mind;  
such ever bring thee where they come,  
and going, take thee to their home.

Here may we prove the power of prayer  
to strengthen faith and sweeten care;

to teach our faint desires to rise,  
and bring all heaven before our eyes.

Lord, we are few, but thou art near;  
nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;  
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,  
and make a thousand hearts thine own!

Text: William Cowper (1731-1800). Music: Ralph Harrison (1748-1810).

#### THE DISMISSAL

Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Prelude and Fugue in B-flat major, BWV 560*

J. S. Bach (d. 1750)

*All are warmly invited to coffee hour located in the Chapter Room, located directly behind the nave and accessible from both side aisles.*

*The flowers in the cathedral are given to the Glory of God*

and at the High Altar in thanksgiving for our mothers, by Jen Purkis. The flowers in the Lady Chapel are in loving memory of their mothers by Gordon and Janis Wheatley. The flowers in St Christopher's Chapel are in loving memory of Katherine Mary Martin, Sharon Louise Caird, and Mary Ellen Stephenson by their families. The flowers in St Michael's Chapel are in loving memory of their mother, Gladys Rafter, by the Rafter children.



### SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY

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|--------------------------|---|
| Presider                 | The Reverend Canon Ian Powell   |
| Homilist                 | The Reverend Anna E. Rossi, <i>Vicar</i>  |
| Deacon                   | The Reverend Ross Bliss   |
| Assisting                | The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas, <i>Dean</i>  |
| Sacristan                | Bob Fearnley  |
| Readers                  | Jesse Robertson, Susanna Longridge  |
| Intercessor              | Harriet Kendrick  |
| Musicians                | The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bellringers<br>The Cathedral Choir, <i>tenors &amp; basses</i><br>Mark McDonald, <i>Assistant Director of Music</i><br>Donald Hunt, <i>Director of Music</i> |
| Eucharistic<br>Ministers | Susanna Longridge, Elsie Hepburn, Ian MacDonald, Jen Purkis   |
| Sidespersons             | Janis Wheatley, Wendy Dryden, Karen Young, Elaine Ellison<br><i>The Chancel Guild, Sue Black, President</i><br><i>The Cathedral Technical Team</i>  |

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# A House of Prayer

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## WEEKDAYS

**Morning Prayer (Lady Chapel)**  
8.45 a.m. | Weekdays, Except Wednesdays

**School Chapel (Nave)**  
9.40 a.m. | Wednesdays during Term

**Midweek Eucharist (St. Christopher Chapel)**  
12.15 p.m. | Wednesdays

**Choral Evensong (Nave)**  
5.00 p.m. Wednesdays during term

**Evening Prayer (Lady Chapel)**  
5.00 p.m. | Weekdays, Except Wednesdays

## SUNDAYS\*

**BCP Holy Eucharist**  
8.00 a.m. | Lady Chapel

**Holy Eucharist**  
9.15 a.m. | Nave

**Choral Eucharist**  
11.00 a.m. | Nave and Livestream

**Choral Evensong**  
4.00 p.m. | Nave and Livestream

*\*Periodically, there is a combined Eucharist at 10:30 a.m. Updates are posted to the website.*

## Outreach to Threshold Housing

As we continue our focus this quarter on supporting the unhoused population in Victoria, in May we highlight Threshold Housing. The Threshold Housing Society was born in 1990 out of concern from community members in response to the number of people living on the streets. In that year, a group of Anglican parishioners formed a non-profit society to serve the growing population of homeless in Victoria. Their work began by opening a house for young men at risk of homelessness and that was followed by a second house for young women. From those beginnings, Threshold Housing has grown to offer homes, support and hope and serves youth at-risk-of or experiencing homelessness, aging out of care, or fleeing violence in the home.

## Happening this Week

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*Detailed information is found online.*

**Community Coffee Hour**  
Tues 12 May | 9.30 a.m.

**Walking Group**  
Wed 13 May & Sat 16 May |  
10.00 a.m.

**Choral Eucharist for Ascension Day**  
Thurs 14 May | 7.00 p.m.

**Podium Choral Conference: National Youth Choir of Canada**  
Fri 15 May | 8.00 p.m.

**Podium Choral Conference: Chronos Vocal Ensemble & Vancouver Chamber Choir**  
Sat 16 May | 8.00 p.m.