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Day of Pentecost

[Africa Sunday]

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

10:30 A.M.

Choral Eucharist | In-Person & Livestream

The Rev. Stuart Mennigke, *Presider*

The Rev. Christian Okeke, *Preacher*

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Welcome to the Cathedral

Whether today is your first time with us, or if this is your spiritual home, we welcome you to the Cathedral. We're glad that you're here today.

We envision a radically inclusive, restlessly inquisitive, intentional, and inspired Cathedral. This is a place that is called to lead and to serve, in communion and community, with healing, reconciliation, and love, living out the Christian mission. Together, we look to the power of Christ for the transformation of each person, this city of Vancouver, and the world.

We recognize our history and traditions while seeking renewal and growth in spiritual depth and size. Curious and adaptable, this chorus has room for every voice — especially yours.

To learn more about the many ministries and opportunities for service in this community, please visit our website: www.thecathedral.ca. Following our worship service, please join us for coffee hour in the parish hall.

Thank you for joining us today. Your presence enriches our life together.

Faithfully yours in Christ,



The Very Rev. Christopher A. Pappas, Ph.D., D.Min.
Dean & Rector



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A message to children and their grown-ups

We're glad you're here! Here are a few things we would like you to know about our 10:30 a.m. worship service:

- Playmats and an activity cart with books, puzzles and colouring are available at the front of the church;

The nursery is available downstairs as a quiet space for you and your children. The service is live streamed so you can follow the worship.

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We're here to support you — feel free to reach out anytime!



The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn

Come Down, O Love Divine

(CP 645)

Text: Bianco da Siena (1350?-1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890), alt.

Music: DOWN AMPNEY, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); desc. Neil Cockburn.

1 Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing;
true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace, till they become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

Presider Alleluia Christ is risen!

All The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia.

Presider May his grace and peace be with you.

All May he fill our hearts with joy.

Gloria

Laudate Dominum

Levente Gyöngyösi (1975-)

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!
Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! [Psalm 148]

The Collect of the Day

Presider Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal,

All keep us in the unity of your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

At the conclusion of the reading:

Reader Word of God, word of life.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Text and music: Kenyan hymn, English adapt. Greg Scheer, 2007.

Kwa - ke Ye - su na - si ma - ma, ndi - ye mwan - ba ni sa - la -
Here on Je - sus Christ I will stand. He's the sol - id rock of my
ma. Ndi - ye mwan - ba ni sa - la - ma, ndi - ye mwan - ba ni sa - la - ma.
life. He's the sol - id rock of my life. He's the sol - id rock of my life.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,
creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,
which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season. *Refrain*

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand,
and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

Refrain

May your glory, O Lord, endure for ever; may you rejoice in all your works;
you look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
May these words of mine please you; I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah! *Refrain*

The Second Reading

At the conclusion of the epistle:

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence

Amenitendea (He has done it for me)

Kenyan Traditional

He has done it for me. x2
Emmanuel, he has done it for me.

He has given me strength. x2
Emmanuel, he has given me strength.

He has blessed me. x2
Emmanuel, he has blessed me.

He has saved me. x2
Emmanuel, he has saved me.

He is able. x2
Emmanuel, he is able.

He is King. x2
Emmanuel, he is King.

Let us worship him. x2
Emmanuel, let us worship him.

The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-23

Deacon The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Deacon The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the Deacon says:

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.

All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Christian Okeke

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

Deacon 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:
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 worshipped 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

Please scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin for prayer cycles.

The Peace

Presider Alleluia, the risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,
“Peace be with you.” Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia!

All Alleluia!

All may exchange a sign of peace.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Offertory

Thank you for your prayerful stewardship of the ministries of the Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity at any amount, because your stewardship empowers our mission to advance the Good News of God's infinite love and mercy through our worship, ministries, formation, and service. You may make a gift using the offering plate being passed around at this time or refer to the back page of this bulletin to see other methods. Together with the gifts of bread and wine, we present our gifts at the altar as a sign of thanksgiving to God, from whom all good things come.

Offertory Hymn

Way Maker

Osinachi Kalu Okoro Egbu (1972-)

(You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You I worship You

The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider Giver of life,
receive all we offer you this day.

All **Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church
continue to work in the world
through the hearts of all who believe.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

(EOW)

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful [...] Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Music: South African Traditional

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

Presider

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life [...] Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died

(CP 733)

Music: *Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

Presider

Remembering his death and resurrection [...] Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honour, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All

Amen

(CP 734)

Music: *Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

A - men, a - men, a - men.

Ringing of the bell. (x3)

The Communion

To receive the consecrated Bread, approach the altar and extend your hands to the minister with palms open. To receive the consecrated Wine, carefully guide the chalice to your lips. For public health, please do not dip the Bread into the Wine. If you do not wish to partake of the common cup, know that you receive the full efficacy of communion with only the Bread. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to receive a blessing by approaching the altar and crossing your arms over your chest. You may also remain in your seat as you feel comfortable. If you are interested in learning about baptism, please contact a member of our clergy. During communion, Healing Prayer is offered for all people in the west alcove. **Please respect the confidentiality of the people praying by not entering the alcove during prayer time.**

During Communion *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Joseph Martin (1959-)

Piano solo performed by Kevin Tison

His eye is on the sparrow Zanaida Robles (1979-)

The Prayer after Communion

Presider Let us pray.
Father,
may we who have received this eucharist
live in the unity of your Holy Spirit,
All that we may show forth his gifts to all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Doxology

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.

[Commissioning for lay ministers who will be taking communion to those
not able to participate in the Eucharist at the church:

Presider In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing Holy gifts,
that those to whom you go may share with us in the body and blood of Christ.
All We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.]

You Do Not Walk Alone Elaine Hagenberg (1979-)
Text: Irish Trad.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

(CP 655)

Text: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt.

Music: IN BABILONE, melody Dutch trad.; arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933).

1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling
in the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding
o'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising
those of earth to thrones on high;
living, life-imparting Spirit,
you we praise and magnify.

2 Holy Spirit, ever living
as the church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving
through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming
in the church the mind of Christ:
you we praise with endless worship
for your gifts and fruits unpriced.

3 Holy Spirit, ever working
through the church's ministry,
quickenning, strengthening, and absolving,
setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding
age to age and soul to soul
in communion never ending,
you we worship and extol.

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia, let us go forth into the world
rejoicing in the power of the risen Lord.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Walk Together Children

Text and melody: Traditional Spiritual
Arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

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