



# Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa

## Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday | June 14<sup>th</sup> | 2026

10.30 am | Choral Eucharist | BAS

*Communion Service in C | John Ireland*

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory for the life and ministry of Ernest Samuel Reed, the fourth diocesan Bishop of Ottawa and for the life of Vera Reed, his loving wife, companion and helpmate.

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## Welcome

Children are welcome to fully participate in the service and activity sheets are available at the entrance to the Cathedral. Sidespeople can provide headsets for those who need hearing assistance.

Please turn off or set mobile devices to silent mode.

*Our diocese was founded on the homeland of the Anishinaabe Algonquins.  
May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.*

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# The Gathering of the Community

Prelude | *Allegretto (Sonata 4) | Felix Mendelssohn*

## Announcements

Hymn 379 | *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

## Greeting

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

**And also with you.**

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 name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Glory to God

*Glory to God in the highest,*

***and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, 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

Almighty God, without you we are not able to please you. Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

# The Proclamation of the Word

## First Reading | *Genesis 18:1-15*

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm | *116:1, 10-17*

*I love the Lord who has heard the voice of my supplication, who has listened to me whenever I called. How shall I repay you, O Lord, for all the good things you have done for me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people. Precious in your sight, O Lord is the death of your servants. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant and the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds. I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord. I*

*will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all the people of God. In the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!*

## **Second Reading** | *Romans 5:1-8*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual** | *How lovely are the messengers* | *Felix Mendelssohn*

*How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.*

## **Holy Gospel** | *Matthew 9:35-10:8*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every

sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

The Gospel of Christ.

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

## Sermon

Hymn 345 | *King of Glory, King of peace*

## Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

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

**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.**

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

## Prayers

Let us pray.

Living God, awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it. Teach us to care creatively for its resources and to share its bounty equitably. Come, Holy Spirit, creator: renew the face of the earth.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Holy One, bless Bishop Kathryn in her ministry and enliven our diocese and cathedral, so that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world. Breathe fresh life into your people

and give us power to reveal Christ in word and action. Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor: and touch our lips that we may proclaim your word.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Reconciling Spirit, lead us and all people into ways of justice and peace, that we may respect one another in freedom and truth. Be with those who live in the midst of war and conflict, and bring safety to refugees and those in danger. Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high: make us agents of peace, ministers of wholeness.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Healing God, be with all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, and be with those who mourn. May those we name in the silence of our hearts know the power of your comforting love.

*Silence.*

Make us willing agents of your compassion and strengthen us as we share in making people whole. Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God: give life to the dry bones of this exiled age, and make us a living people, holy and free.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Faithful God, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others, that all may act with integrity and courage. Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours, that we may serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us. Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come. Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; welcoming sinners and inviting us to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence.*

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## Offertory Hymn 584 | *The Church of Christ in every age*



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# The Celebration of the Eucharist

## Prayer Over the Gifts

God of reconciliation and forgiveness, the saving work of Christ has made our peace with you. May that work grow toward its perfection in all we offer you this day. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

May God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to God.**

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

**It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah, through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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.*

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman, Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

In the language of your heart, 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.**

## Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Agnus Dei

## Communion

*All are welcome to come to the altar rail. If you wish prayers for healing before receiving Communion, please carry an Order of Service with you; to receive a blessing, cross your hands over your chest; for a gluten-free wafer, hold out one hand; for a regular wafer, hold out two hands. Please do not dip the bread in the wine.*

**Motet** | *O quam gloriosum* | Tomás Luis de Victoria

*O quam gloriosum est regnum in quo Christo gaudent omnes sancti! Amicti stolis albis Agnum sequuntur quocunque ierit. | O how glorious is the kingdom in which all the saints rejoice with Christ, clad in robes of white they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.*

## The Sending of the Community

### Prayer after Communion

Holy and blessed God, as you give us the body and blood of your Son, guide us with your Holy Spirit, that we may honour you not only with our lips but also in our lives. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Pledge of Transformation

For love, which heals wounds,  
**we will stand.**

For generosity, which opens space for hope,  
**we will stand.**

For nurturing, which builds a culture of peace,  
**we will stand.**

For compassion, which seeks the best for all,  
**we will stand.**

For respect, which enables us to love with difference,  
**we will stand.**

For humility, which allows healthy relationships with others,  
**we will stand.**

Together for hope,  
**we will stand.**

## Blessing and Dismissal

May Christ's holy, healing, enabling Spirit be with you every step of the way, and be your guide as your road changes and turns; and the blessing of God our Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. **Amen.**

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn 601** | *God, whose giving knows no ending*

**Postlude** | *Allegro maestoso e vivace (Sonata 4)* | *Felix Mendelssohn*

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Celebrant | The Right Reverend Peter Coffin  
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# Readings Next Sunday | June 21<sup>st</sup>

## National Indigenous Day of Prayer

Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalm 19; Philippians 4:4-9; John 1:1-18

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