Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday | November 8th | 2026

10.30 am | Choral Eucharist | BAS

Missa brevis | Lennox Berkeley

The flowers are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of
Brig. Gen. The Venerable Stewart Clarke,
Colonel Harcourt (Harky) Carrington and Mary Lee Smith,
and in thanksgiving for the lives of all those who died in the First and Second World Wars,
the Korean War and the more recent conflicts in which Canada has been present.

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.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude | *The Dream of Peace (Solstice Sonata) | Carson Cooman*

Announcements

Hymn 323 | *Ye holy angels bright*

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 holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

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

God of all, we pray to you for those we love but see no longer. Grant them your peace, let light perpetual shine upon them, and in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading | *Wisdom 3:1-9*

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm | *116:1-8*

I love the Lord who has heard the voice of my supplication, who has listened to me whenever I called. The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow. Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life." Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion. The Lord watches over the innocent; I was brought very low, and the Lord helped me. Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has treated you well. For you, O Lord, have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Second Reading | *1 Peter 1:3-9*

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to

be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual | *In Remembrance | Eleanor Daley*

Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there, I do not sleep. I am the thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glint on snow. I am the sunlight-ripened grain, I am the gentle morning rain. And when you wake in the morning's hush, I am the sweet uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight. I am the soft stars that shine at night. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die.

Holy Gospel | *John 6:37-40*

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.

'Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

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

Sermon

Hymn 572 | *Let there be light*

Act of Remembrance

Reading of Names

Last Post | Silence

Lament | *Flowers of the Forest*

Reveille

Collect for Peace

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray you, in the hearts of all people, that true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn | *I vow to thee my country*

I vow to thee, my country all earthly things above
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,

That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago –
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;

Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

Coventry Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,
Creator, forgive.

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own,
Creator, forgive.

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth,
Creator, forgive.

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,
Creator, forgive.

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee,
Creator, forgive.

The lust which dishonours the bodies of human beings,
Creator, forgive.

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,
Creator, forgive.

Silence.

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Offertory Hymn | *O valiant hearts*

O valiant hearts who to your glory came
Through dust of conflict and through battle flame;
Deep your contentment in that blest abode,
Who wait the last clear trumpet call of God.

Long years ago, as earth lay dark and still,
Rose a loud cry upon a lonely hill,
While in the frailty of our human clay,
Christ, our Redeemer, passed the self-same way.

O risen Lord, O Shepherd of our dead,
Whose cross has bought them and whose staff has led,
In glorious hope their proud and sorrowing land
Commits her children to thy gracious hand.

O gracious Lord, your peace we now proclaim;
And give our praises, only to your name.
Grant to our mourned we pray, eternal rest;
And may their memory evermore be blessed.

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer Over the Gifts

Gracious and righteous Lord, we are united in the love of Jesus Christ. Accept all we offer you this day, and bring us, with all your faithful people who have gone before us, into his eternal glory; who is Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed and created 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 the 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. *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.*

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 Creator 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 many 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. Therefore we proclaim our hope.
Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

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 us and upon these gifts, 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 God, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Please pray using these words, or whichever version or language is closest to your heart.

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 | *Lord, thou hast been our refuge | Ralph Vaughan-Williams*

Lord, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made, thou art God from everlasting and world without end. Thou turnest man to destruction; again thou sayest come again ye children of men for a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday, seeing that is past as a watch in the night. As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep and fade away suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green and groweth up, but in the evening it is cut down, dried up and withered. For we consume away in thy displeasure, and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation. For when thou art angry all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end as a tale that is told. The years of our age are three score years and ten, and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, yet is their strength but labour and sorrow; so passeth it away and we are gone. Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last. Be gracious unto thy servants. O satisfy us with thy mercy and that soon. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life. Lord, thou hast been our refuge from one generation to another before the

mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made, thou art God from everlasting and world without end. And the glorious Majesty of the Lord be upon us. Prosper thou, O prosper thou the work of our hands, O prosper thou our handy work.

The Sending of the Community

Prayer after Communion

God of love, may the death and resurrection of Christ, which we celebrate in this eucharist, bring us, with the faithful departed, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our hope and our salvation. **Amen.**

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn 528 | *O God our help in ages past*

Postlude | *Nimrod | Edward Elgar*

Celebrant | The Very Reverend Beth Bretzlaff
Preacher | The Reverend Canon Victoria Scott
Readers | Bem Denga | Rebecca Officer

Duty Warden | Katherine Spencer-Ross

Organist | James Calkin
Director | Andrew McAnerney
Sung by | Lay Clerks
Trumpeter | Alastair Chaplin
Piper | Cameron Baskerville

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Readings Next Sunday | November 15th

25th Sunday after Pentecost |
25th Anniversary Celebration of the Cathedral Girls Choir

Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

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Anglican Diocese of Ottawa

Celebrating Women in Leadership

130th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF OTTAWA
1896 – 2026

50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION OF WOMEN
1976 – 2026

25th ANNIVERSARY OF CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL GIRLS CHOIR
2001 – 2026

A day of worship, celebration and inspiration

SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2026

CHORAL EUCHARIST
11 AM
CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Join in a festive Choral Eucharist as we give thanks for the faithful witness and leadership of women in the life of our Diocese, our Church and our world.

Bishop Kathryn Otley will preach, Dean Beth Bretzlaff will preside, and the Cathedral Girls Choir with Alumnae will sing.

All clergy are invited to vest (red).

RECEPTION
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE
CATHEDRAL GREAT HALL

All are warmly invited to a reception with light refreshments to celebrate these significant milestones, to reconnect with friends, and to give thanks for the many women, past and present, whose leadership strengthens our Church.

BOOK LAUNCH
2 PM
CATHEDRAL

Attend the book launch of *Anne Boleyn: Reputation, Revolution, Religion, and the Queen Who Changed History* by The Reverend Canon Martha Tatarnic (May 2026).

Canon Tatarnic explores the life of Anne Boleyn and what her story tells us about women, religion, power, and the enduring impact of how history remembers women.

Author remarks, a conversation, and an opportunity to purchase signed copies.

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ALL ARE WELCOME

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