

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

**Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
Anglican Church of Canada**



November 23, 2025

11 am

Welcome!

I am delighted to have you with us today for this service of worship. Please, stay awhile. Get to know us better. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

We at All Saints Cathedral Church, are a diverse lot, from many Christian backgrounds, non-Christian backgrounds, and no faith backgrounds. We come for Christian community, to find God in relationships with neighbours and new friends. We come for lessons from the incredible life of Jesus Christ. We come for spiritual rest, time to think, pray, and center on God, for comfort in hard times, and gratitude in good times. We come to serve God, each other, and the world. We're not perfect. We trust in God's gentle grace and unconditional love. We seek meaning for the life God has gifted us.

You are invited to God's table to receive communion (gluten free wafers are available). We welcome you, no matter who you are, or what you look like, or what labels the world puts on you. We welcome you if, like us, you struggle with flaws and imperfection but have a loving spirit and strive to let the light of Jesus shine within you and then to share it with others. We dare to welcome all because God, and not any human authority, extends this gracious invitation. If you wish not to receive Holy Communion you may still come forward for a blessing, simply fold your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. You are also welcomed to remain seated during this time.

In this leaflet, you will find most everything you need to follow along throughout the service. Whether you have been attending the Cathedral Church your whole life or this is your first time here, you are invited to participate in the service as fully as you feel comfortable doing and are able to.

Peace and Joy,



Very Rev. Paul Smith, Rector,

and Dean of the Cathedral Church of All Saints

LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

THE REIGN OF CHRIST

WHITE RIBBON SUNDAY

November 23, 2025

Celebrant: The Very Reverend Paul Smith

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Kate Heichler

The Holy Eucharist

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Although we have come together in this Cathedral Church of All Saints in Halifax, Nova Scotia, we each stand in place on solid ground that is the ancestral territory of peoples who were here long before the Europeans crossed the ocean. We gather at this Cathedral which is located on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. We also recognize that African Nova Scotians are a distinct people whose histories, legacies, and contributions have enriched this part of Mi'kma'ki for over 400 years.

Introit Oculi Omnium

C. Wood (1866-1926)

Oculi omnium in te sperant, Domine:
et tu das escam illorum in tempore opportuno.
Gloria tibi, Domine. Amen.

*The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord:
and thou givest them their meat in due season.
Glory to thee, O Lord. Amen.*

Opening Hymn

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Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL

The Gathering of the Community

The presiding celebrant greets the community

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

People **And also with you.**

The following prayer may be said.

Celebrant

Almighty God,

All

**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.**

Glory to God

686 in the Hymnal (*Sung by all*)

D. Hurd (b.1950)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

**God of unbroken weakness,
you scorn our lust for power.
Keep us faithful to Jesus Christ,
crucified and victorious,
in whose authority we dare to speak your truth,
even in the face of injustice and death. Amen.**

Provers Working Group (2016)

The Proclamation of the Word

Reader

A reading from Colossians [1:11-20]

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

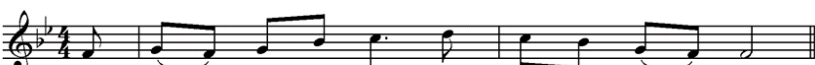
Reader
People

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Canticle 19

The Song of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79)

TONE VIII.2

Refrain 
The dawn from on high shall break up - on us.

The Refrain is sung first by the choir and then by all and at the places indicated.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant. **Refrain**

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. **Refrain**

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. **Refrain**

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. **Refrain**

Gradual Hymn

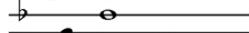
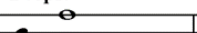
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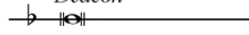
Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

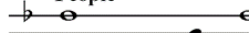
IN BABILONE

Gospel Processional vv. 1—2

Responses before the Gospel

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

Deacon  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People 
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

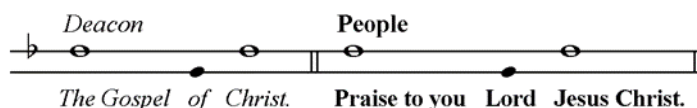
The Gospel

All stand for the Gospel.

And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.' - Luke [23:35-43]

Responses after the Gospel



Gospel Recessional v. 3

Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

The celebrant may invite the people, to join in the recitation of the creed.

Celebrant

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.

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant

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

Silence is kept.

Celebrant

All

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.**

Celebrant

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.

People

Amen.

The Peace

All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

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

Offertory Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (omit v. 5)

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HYFRYDOL

The Celebration of the Eucharist

*Today the Flowers adorning the Cathedral are in Loving Memory of
Joy H. and Harry D. Smith from the family.*

*The Wine and Host of the Eucharist, and the bulletin are offered in memory of
all victims of gender-based violence who have lost their lives;
from the St. Catherine's Group.*

The Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared,

Celebrant Thank you, loving God, for forgiveness.
All Eternal God,
by your grace you have raised us up
and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms.
Receive all we offer you this day,
and lead us in those good works
for which you have created us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 3

The musical notation is arranged in four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation uses a simplified system where notes are represented by dots on a five-line staff, and rests are indicated by vertical lines. The lyrics are written below the staves.

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

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and
praise through Jesus Christ our Lord
In fulfilment of your promise
you pour forth your Spirit upon us,
filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth.
You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all
nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and
archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name.
Therefore we praise you with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven,
who for ever sing this hymn
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

Missa Festiva (*Sung by the choir*)

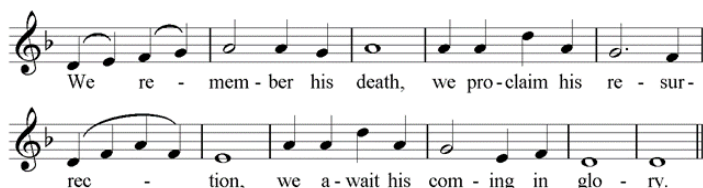
A. Gretchaninov
(1864-1956)

Celebrant

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
 to suffering and death,
 a death he freely accepted,
 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."
 Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All



Celebrant

and we offer our sacrifice
 of praise and thanksgiving
 to you, Lord of all;
 presenting to you, from your creation,
 this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
 to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
 that they may be the sacrament
 of the body of Christ
 and his blood of the new covenant.
 Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
 that we, made acceptable in him,
 may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
 reconcile all things in Christ,
 and make them new,
 and bring us to that city of light
 where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 the firstborn of all creation,
 the head of the Church,
 and the author of our salvation;
 by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
 now and for ever.

All



Celebrant

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us,
 we are bold to pray,

All

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread for distribution

Celebrant

Creator of All

You gave us golden fields of wheat

Whose many grains we have gathered

And made into this one bread.

All

So may your Church be gathered

from the ends of the earth into your kingdom

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion *(which may be prayed by those at home) **

Celebrant

Dear friends, I invite you in this moment,

wherever you may be,

to receive Christ, in communion with the saints,

and the gathering of God's people,

unseen and yet present with us now.

May this prayer be of comfort to you:

Lord, you stand at the door of my heart and knock.

You wait for me and only I can let you in.

I believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill
me with your presence.

Feed me with your body and unite me in your blood,
that I may be your blessing to a world in need. **Amen**

The Communion

The celebrant invites the people to share in communion and may say,

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the People of God.

People

Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei

Missa Festiva

Gretchaninov

**ALL are invited to come forward to receive both Bread and Wine.*

Gluten-free bread is available from those administering.

Wine is offered in individual cups.

Communion Motet Panis angelicus

C. Franck (1822-90)

Panis angelicus, fit panis hominum,

Dat panis coelicus figures terminum.

O res mirabilis manducat Dominum,

Pauper, servus, et humilis.

The bread of the angels becomes the bread of man;

the bread of heaven is given a bounded form.

*O wondrous thing! Each feeds on the lord;
The poor, the slave and the humble man.*

Communion Hymn

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Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour

ST. OSMUND

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant

Let us pray

All

Almighty God,

you have made us a royal priesthood

in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Make known his victory through us, we pray,
that all the world may see his light.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Then the following doxology may be said.

Celebrant

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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

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Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

DUKE STREET

Choral Benediction God Be in My Head H. Walford Davies (1869-1941)

God be in my head, and in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;

God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at mine end, and at my departing.

Dismissal *By the Deacon*

Postlude Toccata

G. Mushel (1909-1989)

The Postlude - You are invited to be seated during the postlude to pray or simply to enjoy the music. Alternatively, you may depart in peace following the Deacon's Dismissal.

**As part of our Covid Protocols we dispensed with the practice of passing collection plates throughout the congregations. You will find offering plates at the front and side entrance of the Cathedral. We also have installed touchless “Tap” devices at the main entrance, or you may make electronic donations using the digital QR code below.



Thank you for your support of our Cathedral’s ministries.

A Warm Welcome this morning to the **Men & Boys of Capella Regalis.**

Thank you for enriching our worship with your music and presence.

Sundays at Four

Please join us this afternoon for Evensong & Investiture sung by
Sung by Capella Regalis Men & Boys Choir . All are welcome!

Today, White Ribbon Sunday - November 23, 2025, with its pledge *never to commit, condone, or remain silent against all forms of gender-based violence and discrimination* introduces the **16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence** (Nov. 25 - Dec. 10)

Key dates of the **16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence (Nov. 25 – Dec. 10)**

- **Nov. 25:** UN International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
- **Dec. 6:** Canada’s National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
 - **Candlelight Vigil:** Meet outside John W. Lindsay YMCA, 5640 Sackville St., Halifax, at 4:00 pm for a walk; inside program with speakers and refreshments at 4:45 pm.
- **Dec. 10:** Human Rights Day – commemorates the adoption of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948, affirming dignity, equality, and justice for all. Canada played a key role in drafting the UDHR.

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Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island



White Ribbon Sunday

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence

Honour *White Ribbon Sunday* - wear a white ribbon on the Sunday before (or on) November 25 and for the **16 Days of Activism**

(Nov. 25 – Dec. 10), with *the pledge never to commit, condone or remain silent about all forms of gender based violence and discrimination.*

As followers of Jesus, we cannot remain silent in the face of gender injustice. Together we can build a future defined by respect and empathy.

The *White Ribbon Campaign* is for everyone – let's help it flourish and grow!



White Ribbon Sunday was initiated by the former Anglican Church Women Board, Diocese of NS & PEI. The board chose Christ the King Sunday as White Ribbon Sunday to coincide with the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence. Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday of the Liturgical Calendar year and the Sunday before the First Sunday of Advent.

Comment below was taken from the Government of Canada website:

The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence is an annual international campaign that begins on November 25, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, and goes until December 10, the Human Rights Day. This campaign started in 1991 to call out and speak up on gender-based violence, and to renew our commitment to ending violence against women, girls, and 2SLGBTQI+ individuals.

Combined Sunday Service – November 30

On Sunday, November 30, we will gather for one combined service at 10:00 am. This shared time of worship — marking the First Sunday of Advent — is one of the recommendations from the Cathedral's Rising Up Plan, encouraging us to come together more often as one community of faith. Join us as we begin the Advent season in unity, hope, and anticipation. All are welcome, and Christmas craft making and Coffee hour will follow in the Great Hall!

New to the Cathedral?

We'd love to get to know you and help you feel at home! Please fill out one of our **New Member Cards** — you'll find them at either entrance, or simply ask one of our Greeters, who will be happy to help. There's even an option to subscribe to our **biweekly e-news, *Cathedral Happenings!*** It's a great way to stay connected and learn more about Cathedral life



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