

Welcome to the

Cathedral Church of All Saints

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



January 25, 2026

11 a.m.

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

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 25, 2026

The Holy Eucharist

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

Leader: 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'kma'ki 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 The First Song of Isaiah (Surely It Is God Who Saves Me) Tone III.2

- 1 Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid.
2. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Saviour.
3. Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing
from the springs of salvation.
4. And on that day you shall say,
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
5. Make his deeds known among the peoples;
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
6. Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,
and this is known in all the world.
7. Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Opening Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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LAUDES DOMINI

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 Missa Sancti Johannes et Divini (*Sung by all*) P. Halley

Intro

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, _____ and peace to his
peo - ple on earth._____ Lord God heav - en - ly King, al -
mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry._____ Lord Je - sus Christ, 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 seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer, re-
 ceive our prayer. 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 Spir - it, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

God of all people,

you sent your Son into our shadowed world.

May his dawning light

give hope to the broken, the persecuted,

the alien and the excluded,

**so that we might feel the kingdom drawing near
 and turn to follow him;**

through Jesus Christ, the morning star. Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading:

Reader A reading from **Isaiah 9:1-4**

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 27:1,5-13 *Dominus illuminatio.*

F. A. G. Ouseley

Refrain (1st time cantors; 2nd time all.)



The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?
One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek;
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;
To behold the fair beauty of the Lord
and to seek him in his temple. *Refrain*

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and to seek him in his temple. *Refrain*

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter;
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon
a rock.

8 Even now he lifts up my head
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness;

I will sing and make music to the Lord. *Refrain*

10 Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call;
have mercy on me and answer me.

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face."
Your face, Lord, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me,
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13 You have been my helper; cast me not away;
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation. *Refrain*

Gradual Hymn

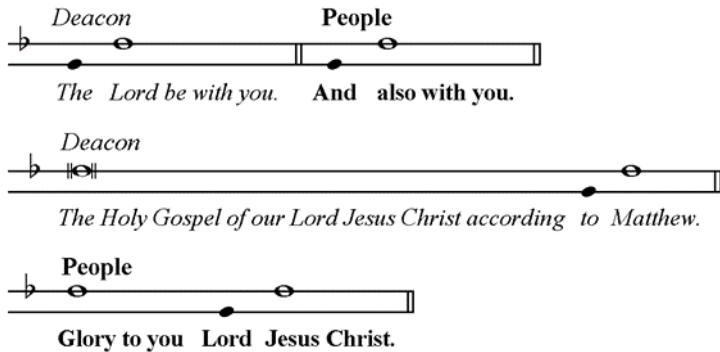
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Jesus Calls Us! O'er the Tumult

St. OSWALD

Gospel Processional vv. 1-3

Responses before the Gospel



The Gospel

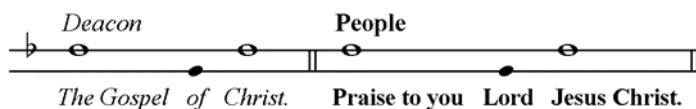
All stand for the Gospel.

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of

heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

- *Matthew 4:12-23*

Responses after the Gospel



Gospel Recessional vv. 4 & 5

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 Most merciful God,
All 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.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn

O Thou Who Camest from Above

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HEREFORD

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*Today we gratefully acknowledge
the wine, hosts and bulletin are offered in Loving Memory of
Ellen & David Ryding from their daughter Helen .*

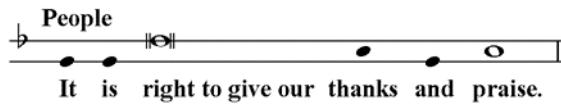
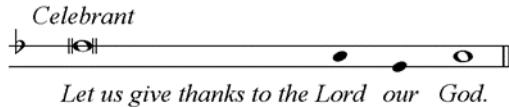
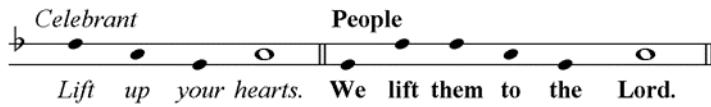
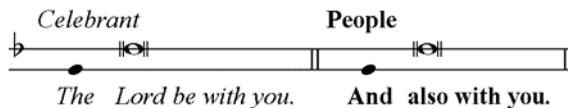
The Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared,

All **Loving God,**
 before the world began you called us.
 Make holy all we offer you this day,
 and strengthen us in that calling.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2



Celebrant

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.

He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.

By his resurrection
he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

Sanctus

Communion Service in A Minor

H. Darke (1888-1976)

Celebrant

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:
this is my body which is broken for you."
In the same way he took the cup,
saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever.



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 Look, the body of Christ is broken
for the life of the world.

All **Here is Christ coming to us in bread and wine.**

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 Communion Service in A Minor

H. Darke

**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 Ecce Advenit Dominator

W. Byrd (c.1539-1623)

Ecce advenit Dominator Dominus:

et regnum in manu ejus, et potestas, et imperium.

Deus, judicium tuum regi da: et justitiam tuam Filio regis.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto:

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Behold the Lord the Ruler is come:

and the Kingdom is in his Hand, and power, and dominion.

*Give to the king thy judgment, O God: and to the king's Son thy justice.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

Communion Hymn

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Command Your Blessing from Above

DICKINSON COLLEGE

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant

Let us Pray

All

Gracious God,

our hands have taken holy things;

our lives have been nourished by the body of your Son.

May we who have eaten at this holy table

be strengthened for service in your world.

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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Living Lord of Love's Dominion

PLEADING SAVIOUR

Choral Benediction A Boy Was Born in Bethlehem German; 16th cent.

Dismissal *By the Deacon*

Postlude Allabreve

J. S. Bach (BWV 589)

**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.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Ecumenical Evensong at the Cathedral this evening at 7pm

As we conclude the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, you are warmly invited to gather at the Cathedral for Ecumenical Evensong. Join us for a peaceful evening of worship and song, followed by a simple reception in the Great Hall. All are welcome.

Undie Sunday—February 1

We are pleased to welcome Miia Suokonautio, Executive Director of YWCA Halifax, as our guest speaker at worship next Sunday.

Miia will speak to the very real and urgent issue of homelessness in our region and the work being done to support those in need.

“Undie Sunday” is a light-hearted name for a serious and practical outreach. Everyone is encouraged to bring **new, unopened underwear**, as well as **bras, socks, and t-shirts**, to help equip local shelters and their residents for the remaining winter months.

Sundays at Four

Sundays at Four resumes next Sunday, February 1.

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!*** Its as easy as sending an email to hello@anglicancathedralhalifax.ca. A great way to stay connected and learn more about Cathedral life

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