

**Welcome to the  
Cathedral Church of All Saints**

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

*Alleluia!*

**April 5, 2026**

**11 am**

**Easter Day**

**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

# Easter Day

April 5, 2026

## The Holy Eucharist

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Very Reverend Paul Smith*

**Prelude** Et resurrexit tertia die P. Halley (b.1952)  
On this most holy day of days,  
To God your hearts and voices raise,  
With shouts of exultation.  
Lo! He is risen, our glorious King,  
Let heavenly hosts in concert sing  
With praise and jubilation. Amen.

### 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.

### Entrance Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

203

EASTER HYMN

*The presiding celebrant greets the community*

*Celebrant*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People*

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant*

May his grace and peace be with you.

*People*

**May he fill our hearts with joy.**

*All*

**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.**

**The Easter Anthem**    Christ Our Passover

P. Halley

Alleluia!

Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast;  
Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness;  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. *1 Corinthians 5. 7.*

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more;  
death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once:  
but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin,  
but alive unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Romans 6. 9.*

Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept.  
For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!  
*1 Corinthians 15. 20.*

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*All*

**God of Glory  
By the raising of your Son  
you have broken the chains of death:  
fill your church with faith and hope,  
for a new day has dawned  
and the way of life stands before us;  
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.**

*Reader*

**A reading from the Book of Acts 10:34-43**

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ - he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

*Reader*

The word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 118: 1,2, 14-24** (*Sung by all*)

Simplified Anglican Chant



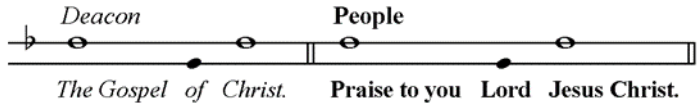
*Change notes on the **bolded** text.*

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is **good**; \*  
his mercy endures for **ever**.
- 2 Let Israel now pro - **claim**, \*  
"His mercy endures for **ever**."
- 14 The Lord is my strength and my **song**, \*  
and he has become my sal - **vation**.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and **victory** \*  
in the tents of the **righteous**:
- 16 "The right hand of the Lord has **triumphed!** \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has **triumphed!**"



there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her. *John 20:1-18*

Responses after the Gospel



*Gospel Alleluias are sung twice*

**Sermon**

*A silence for reflection may follow.*

**Anthem** Surgens Jesus

P. Halley

Surgens Jesus Dominus noster stans in medio  
discipulorum suorum dixit: Pax vobis. Alleluia.  
Gavisi sunt discipuli viso domino. Alleluia.

*The risen Jesus, our Lord, standing in the midst of his  
disciples, said: Peace be with you. Alleluia.*

*The disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.*

**The Nicene Creed**

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

*Celebrant*

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:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
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.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshipped and glorified.  
He 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

### Confession and Absolution

*Celebrant*

Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
he welcomes sinners  
and invites them to his 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.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

### **Offertory Hymn**

**210**

Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son

MACCABEUS

*Today we gratefully acknowledge the Wine and Hosts  
are offered in loving memory of:*

**Cecil & Florrie Warren, New Perlican, Newfoundland** from Shannon, Ken  
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from the family.

### **The Prayer over the Gifts**

*All*

**God our strength and salvation,  
receive all we offer you this day,  
and grant that we who have confessed your name,  
and received new life in baptism,  
may live in the joy of the resurrection,  
through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

### Eucharistic Prayer 3

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **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  
for the glorious resurrection of your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord;  
for he is the true paschal lamb  
who has taken away the sin of the world.  
By his death he destroyed death,  
and by his rising to life again  
he has won for us eternal life.  
Therefore, joining our voices  
with the whole company of heaven,  
we sing our joyful hymn of praise  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

### Sanctus

P. Halley

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</i>

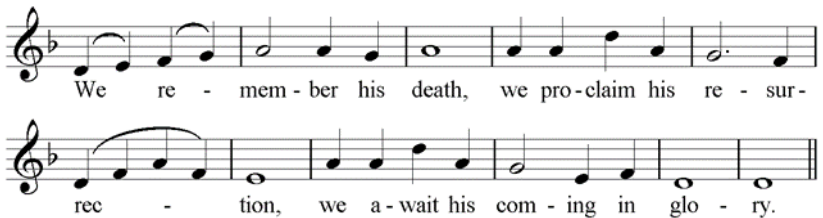
*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, Lord our God,  
for the goodness and love  
you have made known to us in creation;  
in calling Israel to be your people;  
in your Word spoken through the prophets;  
and above all in the Word made flesh,  
Jesus your Son.

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.

*People*



*Celebrant*

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

*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*

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

*All*

**Now we are raised to new life.**

*Celebrant*

We were buried in your tomb.

*All*

**Now we share in your resurrection.**

*Celebrant*

Live in us, that we may live in you.

### **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, un seen and yet present with us now.  
May this prayer be of 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**



## Blessing

### Closing Hymn He Is Risen!

UNSER HERRSCHER



1. He is risen, he is risen!  
Tell it out with joyful voice.  
he has burst his three days' prison;  
let the whole wide earth rejoice:  
death is conquered; we are free,  
Christ has won the victory.

2. Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,  
with glad smile and radiant brow!  
Death's long shadows have departed;  
Je-sus' woes are over now,  
and the passion that he bore,  
sin and pain can vex no more.

3. Come with high and holy hymning;  
hail our Lord's triumphant day;  
not one darksome cloud is dimming  
yonder glorious morning ray,  
breaking o'er the purple east,  
symbol of our Easter feast.

4. He is risen, he is risen!  
He hath opened heaven's gate:  
we are free from sin's dark prison,  
risen to a holier state;  
and a brighter Easter beam  
on our longing eyes shall stream.

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Postlude Surrexit Christus hodie

P. Halley

Surrexit Christus hodie  
Humano pro solamine  
Alleluia!  
In hoc Paschali gaudio  
Benedicamus Domino.  
Alleluia!

*Today Christ has risen  
Humanity's consolation.  
Alleluia!  
In this Eastertide we rejoice  
And bless the Lord.  
Alleluia!*

*Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful and blessed Easter.  
Alleluia!*

The music for this morning's Easter service has been made possible through the generosity of Gail and Larry Ashley.

**The Easter Band**

Kenji Omae – *Saxophones*

Nick D'Amato – *Bass*

Nick Halley – *Drums & Percussion*

Henk Fisher – *Percussion*

Wyn Burkhart – *Organ*

Paul Halley – *Piano & Organ*

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for singing at our service today.

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**Memorial gifts are given to the Glory of God and in  
Loving Memory of the Persons Named Below**

**Music**

*David Ritchie Chipman*  
from Carolyn & family.

**Building Restoration**

*James G. Morrison*  
from his daughter Alayne C. Pothier.

**Dean's Discretionary**

*Christos C. Pilichos*  
from the family.

*Loved Ones*

from Ruth Holloway and family.

**Outreach & Justice**

*Merlene Seymour Adderly*  
*Beryl & Kenneth Seymour*  
*Bowley Family, Nassau, Bahamas.*

## **Flowers**

*Joy H. & Harry D. Smith,*

from the family.

*Cuming, Seamone, & Withrow Loved Ones*

from Margy & family.

*Loved Ones*

from Clyde & Cheryl Wetmore

*Harold & Laura Pope*

from daughters Brenda and Charmaine.

*Mildred and Leonard Ashford*

from granddaughters Brenda and Charmaine.

*Irene and Parmenas Pope*

from granddaughters Brenda and Charmaine.

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We'd be delighted to keep in touch!

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