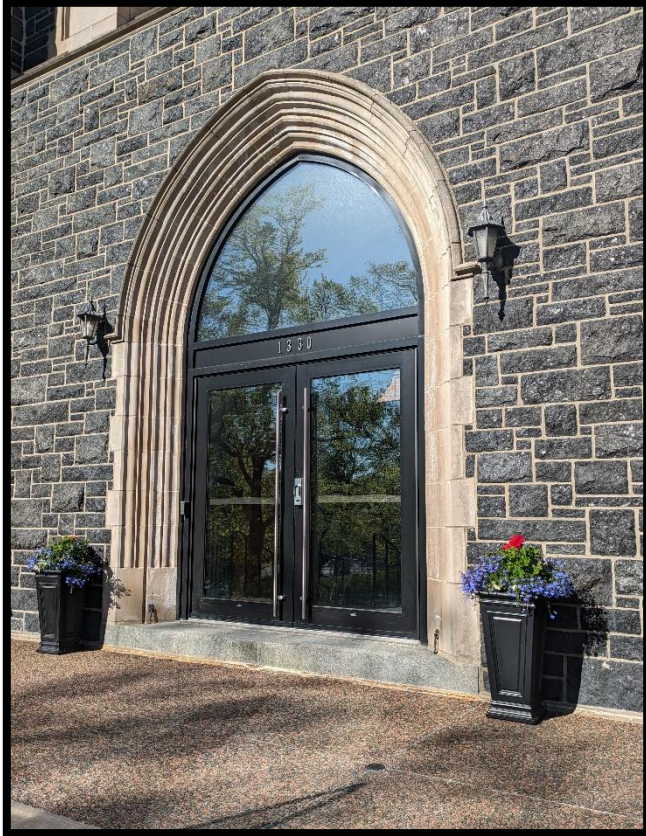


**The Cathedral Church of All Saints
Halifax, Nova Scotia**



9:15 am Service

FOR THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

Please save me for next week

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul".

The Very Rev. Paul Smith, Rector,
and Dean of the Cathedral Church of All Saints

The Holy Eucharist ~ an Iona Liturgy

Welcome/Announcements

Territorial Acknowledgement

Leader: As we gather today, we acknowledge, with gratitude, that we do so on the traditional and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) People first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

People: **We give thanks for this land and all those who have been stewards of it; for their stories and for their lives – past, present, and future. We commit ourselves to prayerfully seek reconciliation, justice, and healing that we might listen and learn to be faithful stewards of this good land and live in right relationship.** *(Land Acknowledgement adapted from The Emmaus Community, Victoria, B.C.)*

Opening Hymn {see insert}

Children's Message

The Gathering of the Community

The presiding celebrant greets the community

Presider Gracious Spirit, encouraging, yet no coercing -

People **Thread through time and engender love and compassion in us, and through us.**

Presider Challenging Spirit, enlightening, yet not constraining -

People **Thread through time and enlarge knowledge and understanding in us, and through us.**

Presider Passionate Spirit, empowering, yet not controlling -

People Thread through time and enable freedom and justice in us, and through us.

Presider Paradoxical Spirit, engaging with us, yet not graspable by us -
People Weave together our time and God's time, that we may know God at work in us, and through us.

The Collect of the Day {see insert}

The Proclamation of the Word {see insert}

Reader: God be in our listening, God in our understanding.
Listen to God's word coming to us in Holy Scripture.

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

Reader A reading from...

At the conclusion of the reading:

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm: {see insert}

Gradual Hymn/Gospel Refrain {see insert}

The Gospel Proclamation

All stand for the Gospel.

Deacon The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

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

At the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,
The Gospel of Christ.

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

Homily

A silence for reflection may follow.

Affirmation of Belief Affirming the Church's Mission -
(from the Iona Community)

Leader: That we worship one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in whose image we are made, to whose service we are summoned, by whose presence we are renewed:

All: **This we believe.**

Leader: That it is central to the mission of Christ that we participate through word and action to rejoice in the diversity of human culture, to preserve the earth in all its beauty and frailty, to witness to the love of God for every person, and to invite all to share in that converting experience:

All: **This we believe.**

Leader: That through the power of the Holy Spirit, the persecuted shall be lifted up and the wicked will fall, the heartfelt prayers and hidden actions of God's people shall change for good the course of human history, the ancient words of scripture shall continue to startle us with fresh insight:

All: **This we believe.**

Leader: That God has called the Church into being to be the servant of the kingdom, to be a sign of God's new order, to celebrate in every land worship which raises our hearts to heaven:

All: **This we believe.**

Leader: That Christ, fully aware of our differences, prays that we may be one so that the world may believe:

All: **This we believe and to this we are committed,
for the love of God, in the way of Christ,
by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

The Prayers of the People *(crafted by the reader)*

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Triune God, your Spirit brings us many different gifts –

People **forgive us when we have coveted only the spectacular ones.**

silence/kyrie

Presider Your Spirit speaks to us through many different voices –

People **forgive us when we have cut off the disconcerting ones.**

silence/kyrie

Presider Your Spirit offers us many different insights –

People **forgive us when we have considered only the comfortable ones**

silence/kyrie

Presider Your Spirit invites us into many different moments of possibility –

People **forgive us when we have closed down the costly ones.**

silence/kyrie ...

Presider Spirit of the living God, beyond time, and yet here with us now-

People **give us the wisdom to receive and treasure all your gifts,
the discernment to hear and respond to your voice,
the understanding to see and follow your patterns,
and the courage to recognise and seize your moments.**

Presider Assured of the forgiveness of our loving God; Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer; may we grow in knowledge of Christ's Kingdom, deepen in dependence on its grace, and love in accordance with its measures. **Amen**

The Peace

All stand, as able, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

Presider: May we know the peace which the Spirit brings:

a peace rooted in love, patience and self-control,
shaped by kindness, generosity, and faithfulness,
marked by gentleness, and crowned with joy.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Preparation Hymn {see insert}

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Presider: God has prepared a room for us: fire to warm our hearts, water to wash our weary feet, the table set and waiting ...
And now, from beyond time, the breath of the Spirit comes whispering through the fabric of time to call us in.

So come ...

whether your time is just beginning or many years in the marking;
whether your hours are filled and fruitful, or wanting and withered;
whether you have invested wisely, or buried your coins in the ground;
for here at this table, through the power of the Spirit,
God's time and our time come together in bread and wine –
a place of timeless and timely grace ...

The Prayer over the Gifts

All **God of all creation, all you have made is good,
and your love endures forever.
You bring forth bread from the earth
and fruit from the vine.
Nourish us with these gifts, so that we might be for the world
signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Lord. Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you**

Presider: Lift up your hearts

People: **We lift them up to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to God.

People: **It is right to give both thanks and praise.**

Presider: Through the remembrance gifted to us by the Spirit,
we recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth,
ate a last meal with his friends.

We remember how his words and actions
disconcerted and dismayed them;

but also, how he offered them comfort and encouragement for the time to come –
breaking open a loaf of bread, he said, ‘This is my body. It is given for you.’

(the bread may be broken)

And pouring out a cup of wine, he said, ‘This cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death.

Drink it, all of you, to remember me.’


(the wine may be poured)

He shared these gifts with them as a sign of his Kingdom, and promised them the companionship of the Spirit as they followed its Way.

And we, as inheritors in this time of both the challenge and the comfort, join now with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in the timeless song of praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus)

Kate Heichler, 2000



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. Hea - ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed, bless - ed, bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Presider: And as we share these gifts of grace may the indwelling Holy Spirit take and transform them and us. This bread becomes his body, broken and shared for us and with us. This wine becomes his blood shed for us, and for our salvation. May we know both their comfort and their challenge and so, find ourselves and our time, in turn transformed. In thanksgiving we praise you, Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People Amen.

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

Presider: Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened for this time being and for time to come.

The Communion

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

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**



We invite you to form a circle around the font. Please take a cup from the table by the altar to receive the wine of the Eucharist, you may leave the cup in the tray as you return to your seat. You are also welcome to join the circle for a prayer of blessing should you choose not to receive.

Hymn during Communion {see insert}

Prayer after Communion

Presider: May the Spirit who mothered creation and enabled Incarnation

All: **Continue to form and nurture us as we stumble towards maturity;**

Presider: The Spirit who led Jesus into the wilderness

All: **Stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ;**

Presider: The Spirit who transformed the disciples

All: **Grace and gift us for the task of building God's Kingdom;**

Presider: The Spirit whom Jesus bequeathed

All: **Continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails,
peace reigns, and love directs all.**

The Blessing:

Presider: And now, may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Closing Hymn {see insert}

The Sending *(In these or other words, by the Deacon):*

Let us go into the world rejoicing.

It is Christ who goes before us, and with us.

All **Amen. Thanks be to God.**



Liturgical Resources:** The material in this document may be used *non-commercially* for worship and group work without written permission from the publisher. ***For This Time Being © Pat Bennett - Wild Goose Publications, 4th Floor, Savoy House, 140 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2 3DH, UK, the publishing division of the Iona Community. Scottish Charity No. SC003794. Limited Company Reg. No. SC096243 www.ionabooks.com

* 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.

If you would like more information on ways to engage in the life of our Cathedral family, please fill out a Welcome Card available at the Greeter’s, or speak with one of our clergy.