

Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

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



June 21, 2026

10 am

Combined Service

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

National Indigenous Day of Prayer/Indigenous Peoples Day
Refugee Sunday
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

The Holy Eucharist

Prelude Adagio (from *Suite Modale*)

F. Peeters (1903–1986)

Welcome

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

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The presiding celebrant greets the community

Celebrant

God the Creator, the strength of the people, we honor you. Listen to the thoughts of your people. We respect the truth of your spirit world and care for your creations to the East, to the West, to the North and to the South. Help us to honour you by deeds and not words alone. We live by the ways you have entrusted to us within the circle of life.

People

Come Holy Creator's Spirit, Come.

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.**

Glory to God A Community Mass (*Sung by all*) R. Proulx (1937-2010)

(Organ)

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - migh - ty 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, 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

Spi - rit in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. A - men.

(Organ)

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Creator God,

from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love, and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. Amen

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading

Reader

A reading from the Book of Isaiah 40:25-31

To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 19

REFRAIN The statutes of the Lord rejoice the heart.

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world. **R**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat. **R**

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes. **R**

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. **R**

By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? cleanse me from my secret faults. **R**

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offence.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **R**

Second Reading

Reader **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians 4:4-9**
Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Word of God, Come Down on Earth

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LIEBSTER JESU

The Gospel

All stand, as able, 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 John (1:1-18) *FNV

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

Long ago, in the time before all days, before the creation of all things, the one who is known as the Word was there face to face with the Great Spirit. The Word fully represents Creator and show us who he is and what he is like. He has always been there from the beginning, for the Word and Creator are one and the same. Through the Word all things came into being, and not one thing exists that he did not create. Creator's life shined out from the Word, giving light to all human beings. This is the true Light that comes to all the peoples of the world and shines on everyone. The Light shines into the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it or put it out. Into the wilderness of the Land of

Promise (Judea) came a man named Gift of Goodwill (John). He was sent by the Great Spirit to tell what he knew about the Light so everyone could believe. He was not the Light but came to speak the truth about the Light. The true Light that shines on all people was coming into the darkness of this world. He came down into this world, and even though he made all things, the world did not recognize him. Even his own tribe did not welcome or honor him. But all who welcome and trust him receive their birthright as children of the Great Spirit. They are born in a new way, not from a human father's plans or desires, but born from above – by the Great Spirit. Creator's Word became a flesh and blood human being and pitched his sacred tent among us, living as one of us. We looked upon his great beauty and saw how honorable he was, the kind of honor held only by this one Son who fully represents his Father – full of his great kindness and truth. Gift of Goodwill (John) told what he knew about him and cried out with a loud voice, "The one I have told you about is here! He comes after me, but is much greater – *my elder!* He has more honor, for even though he is thought to be younger, he existed before I was born." From the fullness of his being we have all had many gifts of kindness poured out on us. Drawn from the Water (Moses) gave us our tribal laws, but the gift of great kindness and truth came from Creator Sets Free (Jesus), the Chosen One. No one has ever seen the Great Spirit, but the one Son, who is himself the Great Spirit and closest to the Father's heart, has shown us what he is like.

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

The Gospel of Christ.

People

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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;
he welcomes sinners
and invites them to his 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

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For the Beauty of the Earth

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1 For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

2 For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light,
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

3 For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight,
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

4 For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

5 For each perfect gift of thine
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Christ our God, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

Words: Folliot Sandford Pierpoint (1835–1917)

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

*The Wine, Host, and Bulletin are offered in loving memory of
our fathers, from Clyde & Cheryl Wetmore.*

The Prayer over the Gifts

All **Creator, you bless us with many good gifts returned to
you from your creation. Feed us with the Bread of
Life, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Supplementary Eucharistic Prayer

(adapted from The Revd. Paul Jennings)

Celebrant May Creator's Spirit be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the holy Trinity.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Creator of all.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant Creator God, we give you thanks and praise for your
generous love and goodness to us and to all people.

In the beginning, you formed our earth from the dust of
stars. In the beginning, you formed continents in the
midst of the watery chaos. In the beginning, you formed
us from the same earth and breathed your Spirit into us.
You sent us forth, East and West and North and South,
to people your world, to love and care for the land, to
live in harmony with you, with one another, and with
all your creatures.

In our arrogance we have turned away from you, and
turned against one another.

We have forgotten that we were fashioned of the earth;
we have exploited the earth and lorded over your
creatures. We have forgotten that we are all your
children.

We have turned on one another with contempt and
violence.

We have taken our brothers' and sisters' land.

We have attempted to rob them of their culture, their
language, their pride, their dignity.

Yet in your infinite mercy you do not forsake us.

You send prophets and elders, to proclaim your Word,
to impart your Wisdom, to call us back into right
relations with the earth, with each other, and with you.

And so, with all of your creation, with the wolf and the
loon, the birch and the bullrush, with the ancient rocks
of our land, and the fiery Northern Lights, and with
siblings everywhere of good faith, we join our voices in
their unending hymn of praise:

Sanctus No. 732 in the Hymnal *Sung by all* (A Community Mass) R. Proulx

Blessed indeed is your child Creator Sets Free (Jesus),
whom you sent among us to show us the face of your
compassion.

He came to the disenfranchised and restored their
dignity, reminding them that you dwell in them, and
they bear your image.

He reached out to those broken in spirit with your
healing power. He gathered the children into the
security of your love.

He confronted the powers with courage and non-
violence.

He unmasked those who abused others in the
name of religion. In all things he showed us the
path of respect and reconciliation.

On the night he was betrayed, Creator Sets Free
(Jesus) shared a meal with his friends.

He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

“Take this and share it. This is my body”

– given in solidarity with all who suffer contempt and oppression.

After supper he took the cup, and passed it to them, saying:

“Take this and share it. This is my blood”

– shed in love for all who suffer violence and injustice.

“Do this, whenever you gather, and remember.”

Gracious Creator, as we offer you these fruits of the earth, we remember his death, which shows us your love for the hurting;

we celebrate his resurrection, which assures us of your power to heal every hurt; we long for his coming again, when we will be truly reconciled in the peace and mutual respect you intend.

Send the Great Spirit upon these gifts, and upon our hearts so that they may be our spiritual food and drink.

Open our hearts to:

the Spirit of wisdom, who will lead us into all truth;

the Spirit of love, who will cast out all fear;

the Spirit of peace, who will comfort our troubled hearts;

the Spirit of truth, who will truly set us free.

Work through us, we pray, and through all your people, so that we may respectfully receive this feast and serve you in each other.

To continue your work of reconciliation,

to reknit the torn fabric of your world,

to heal the broken hearts,

and to bring all of us, of every language and culture,

from East and West and North and South, to join in

that wondrously diverse feast of your renewed

Creation, to your eternal glory, Creator, Christ, and

Spirit, forever and ever. **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

Celebrant

Creator of all,
you gave us golden fields of wheat,
whose many grains we have gathered and
made into this one bread.

All
from

**So may your Church be gathered
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, 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**

The Communion

The celebrant invites the people to share in communion and may say,
The gifts of God for the People of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*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 Hymn

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Creating God, Your Fingers Trace

PUER NOBIS



1 Creating God, your fingers trace
the bold designs of farthest space;
let sun and moon and stars and light
and what lies hidden praise your might.

2 Sustaining God, your hands uphold
earth's mysteries known or yet untold;
let water's fragile blend with air,
enabling life, proclaim your care.

3 Redeeming God, your arms embrace
all now despised for creed or race;
let peace, descending like a dove,
make known on earth your healing love.

4 Indwelling God, your gospel claims
one family with a billion names;
let every life be touched by grace
until we praise you face to face.

Words: Jeffery Rowthorn (1934–2025)

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Great Creator, you have fed us with bread from
heaven. Continue to renew us in your truth, to give
light to our minds strength to our bodies,
and seal us with your Holy Spirit.
We ask this in Christ's name. **Amen.**

Refugee Sunday

Sarah Cooper, Diocesan Refugee Co-ordinator

Prayer

God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob,
provide for all seeking refuge from famine.

God of Hagar, Joseph and Moses,
liberate all seeking refuge from slavery.

God of Esther, Naomi and Ruth,
strengthen all seeking refuge as families.

God of David, Elijah, and Jeremiah,
protect all seeking refuge from conflict.

God of Ezekiel, Ezra and Nehemiah,
comfort all who are longing for home.

God of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
journey with all seeking refuge today.

In the name of the One who was
both refuge and refugee.

Amen.

Christian Aid, 2016

Then the following doxology may be said.

Celebrant

Glory to God,
**whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.**

All

**Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Celebrant

Send us anywhere you would have us go,
only go there with us.
Place upon us any burden you desire, only stand by
us to sustain us.
Break any tie that binds us,
except the tie that binds us to you.

The blessing of God; the Creator, who made and knows us all;
the Savior, who redeems and befriends us all;
and the Spirit, who enlightens and sustains us all;
be with you this day and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

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Where Charity and Love Prevail

DUNFERMLINE



1 Where charity and love prevail,
there God is ever found;
brought here together by Christ's love,
by love are we thus bound.

2 With grateful joy and holy fear
his charity we learn;
let us with heart and mind and strength
now love him in return.

3 Forgive we now each other's faults
as we our faults confess;
and let us love each other well
in Christian holiness.

4 Let strife among us be unknown,
let all contention cease;
be his the glory that we seek,
be ours his holy peace.

5 Let us recall that in our midst
dwells God's begotten Son;
as members of his body joined,
we are in him made one.

6 Love can exclude no race or creed,
if honoured be God's name;
our common life embraces all
whose Father is the same.

Words: Latin (9th cent.); tr. Omer Westendorf (1916–1997)

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Fugue in G Major

J. S. Bach (BWV 576)

**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.



*Today’s Gospel Text: This translation of the Good Story is dedicated to the Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island (North America) – the Tribal Nations that call this land home. We pray the First Nations Version will bring healing to those who have suffered under the dominance of colonial governments who, with the help of churches and missionary organizations, took our land, our languages, our cultures, and even our children. As our Tribal Nations work hard to reclaim what has been stolen, it is our hope that the colonial language that was forced upon us can now serve our people in a good way, by presenting Creator Sets Free (Jesus) in a more culturally relevant context.

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National Indigenous Peoples Day is celebrated annually on June 21 to recognize and honour the histories, cultures, languages, and contributions of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis Peoples across Canada. First proclaimed in 1996, the day is held on the summer solstice, a time of cultural significance for many Indigenous communities. It offers an opportunity to learn about Indigenous Peoples, celebrate their enduring traditions, and reflect on the ongoing journey toward truth and reconciliation.

Our cover features the official artwork for National Indigenous Peoples Day, incorporating symbols of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis cultures—a feather, a narwhal, and a fiddle—woven together in a flowing rainbow design.

Today, the Cathedral observes Refugee Sunday, traditionally marked on the Sunday closest to World Refugee Day on June 20. This annual observance invites us to pray for and stand in solidarity with refugees.

World Refugee Day is observed each year on June 20. Established by the United Nations in 2001, The day recognizes the millions of people around the world who have been displaced from their homes by conflict, persecution, violence, or disaster. The 2026 theme, “Until Everyone Is Safe,” affirms the right of all people to seek safety and calls on us to stand in solidarity with those who have been displaced.

We are now on our Summer schedule with one Sunday Service for the summer months, held each week at 10:00 am. The nursery will be open for children and their caregiver(s), though it will be unsupervised.

Stay connected with all that’s happening in the life of the Cathedral Cathedral Happenings is our bi-weekly email, sharing upcoming services, events, and community news. If you would like to receive it, please sign up by emailing hello@anglicancathedralthalifax.ca or by filling out a member card, available on the Greeters’ Table.

We’d be delighted to keep in touch!

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