

# Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

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



March 19, 2023

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

# The Fourth Sunday in Lent - Mothering Sunday

## March 19, 2023

### The Holy Eucharist

*Celebrant* The Reverend Canon Stephen Booth

*Preacher* The Very Reverend Paul W. Smith

#### Welcome

#### Territorial Acknowledgement

We begin by acknowledging that we are in Mi'kma'ki , the ancestral 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.

#### Introit

*Venite exultemus Domino.*

Tone II.1

*Antiphon:* The goodness of God leadeth to repentance: O come, let us worship.

1 O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

3 For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.

5 The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.

6 O come, let us worship, and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

7 For he is the Lord our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. *Antiphon.*

#### Opening Hymn

#434

The Love of Jesus Calls Us

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## 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.

**Kyrie**                Missa Brevis (*Sung by the choir*)      S. Preston (1938-2022)

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant*            Let us pray.  
*All*                    Holy God,  
in Jesus Christ, you reveal yourself to the world,  
even when we are blind to your grace.  
Open our eyes to see your transforming love in  
our midst, so that we may see your world anew;  
through Jesus Christ, the saviour who shows  
compassion. Amen. *Proprs Working Group* (2016)

## The Proclamation of the Word

### The First Reading

*Reader*             A reading from Ephesians (5:8-14)  
For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children  
of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and

true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.'

*Reader*                      The word of the Lord.

*People*                      **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 23** (*read responsively*)

1 The Lord is my shepherd; \*

**I shall not be in want.**

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*

**and leads me beside still waters.**

3 He revives my soul \*

**and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.**

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; \*

**for you are with me;**

**your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those  
who trouble me; \*

**you have anointed my head with oil,**

**and my cup is running over.**

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the  
days of my life, \*

**and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

*(All)* **Glory to you, Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. In the waters of baptism you give us new birth, at your table you nourish us with heavenly food, and in your goodness and mercy, you guide us beyond the terrors of evil and death to your Father's home to dwell in eternal light. Glory to you for ever. Amen**

## Gradual Hymn O Kind Creator, Bend Thine Ear *(Sung by all)*

*vv. 1- 3 are sung before the Gospel; vv. 4&5 after*

ST. VENANTIUS

1 O kind Cre - a - tor, bend thine ear, To mark the  
 2 Our hearts are o - pen, Lord, to thee: Thou know - est  
 3 Our sins are ma - ny, this we know; Spare us, good  
 4 Give us the self - con - trol that springs From dis - ci -  
 5 We pray thee, ho - ly Tri - ni - ty, One God, un -

1 cry, to know the tear Be - fore thy throne of  
 2 our in - fir - mi - ty; Pour out on all who  
 3 Lord, thy mer - cy show; And for the ho - nour  
 4 pline of out - ward things, That that fast - ing in - ward  
 5 chang - ing U - ni - ty, That we from this our

1 mer - cy spent In this thy ho - ly fast of Lent.  
 2 seek thy face A - bun - dance of thy pard - oning grace.  
 3 of thy name Our faint - ing souls to life with thee.  
 4 se - cret - ly The soul may pure - ly dwell re - claim.  
 5 ab - sti - nence May reap the fruits of pe - ni - tence.

## The Gospel

*All stand for the Gospel.*

## 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 John.

People  
 Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the

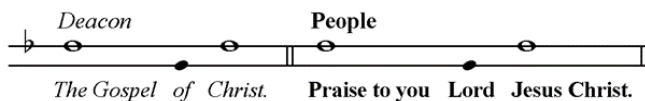
ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore, his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So, for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not

from God, he could do nothing.” They answered him, “You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?” And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, “Do you believe in the Son of Man?” He answered, “And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains. *John 9:1-41*

## Responses after the Gospel



## Hymn (continued) vv. 4 & 5

### Sermon

*A silence for reflection may follow.*

## 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.**

## Preparation Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

**#306**

RICHMOND

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

*Wine and Hosts of Communion are given in loving memory of  
Lionel Chaddock from Kathy.*

*The Bulletin has been sponsored in loving memory of  
Lionel Chaddock from Kathy.*

## The Prayer over the Gifts

*When the gifts have been prepared,*

*All*

**God our provider,  
you have not fed us with bread alone,  
but with words of grace and life.  
Bless us and these your gifts,  
which we receive from your bounty,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)*

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Supplementary 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*

It is indeed right to thank you and praise you,  
holy and gracious God,  
creator of all things,

ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life,  
for you are the source of all goodness,  
rich in mercy and abounding in love;  
you are faithful to your people in every generation,  
and your word endures for ever.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
with the fellowship of saints  
and the company of heaven,  
we glorify your holy name,  
evermore praising you and singing,

## **Sanctus**

*Missa Brevis (Sung by the choir)*

S. Preston

## *Celebrant*

We praise you, merciful Father,  
not as we ought, but as we are able,  
because in your tender love  
you gave the world your only Son,  
in order that the world might be saved through him.  
He made you known by taking the form of a servant,  
healing the sick, liberating the oppressed,  
reaching out to the lost.

Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross,  
he confronted the power of sin  
and disarmed it for ever.  
In his offering of himself,  
he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Redeemed by Christ,  
we have been adopted as your children;  
by your pardon  
you have made us worthy to praise you

On the night he was betrayed,  
Jesus, at supper with his friends,  
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,  
gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."  
 In obedience to him and with grateful hearts  
 we approach your holy table,  
 remembering our Saviour's sacrifice,  
 and rejoicing in his victory.  
 Confident in his sovereign purpose,  
 we declare our faith.

### Acclamation



### *Celebrant*

Send your Holy Spirit on us  
 that as we receive this bread and this cup  
 we may partake of the body and blood  
 of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 and feed on him in our hearts  
 by faith with thanksgiving.  
 May we be renewed in his risen life,  
 filled with love,  
 and strengthened in our will to serve others;  
 and make of our lives, we pray,  
 a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you,  
 knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ,  
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be all honour and glory, now and forever.

### Amen



*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* We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ.  
*All* **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

## **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.**

*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*

## **A Prayer for Spiritual Communion (to be prayed by those at home) \***

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you now in the sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen**

*\*Based on a prayer by St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787) used at the 2020 Easter celebration at The Episcopal Cathedral Church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul (Washington National Cathedral)*

**Agnus Dei**      Missa Brevis (*Sung by the choir*)      S. Preston

**Communion Motet**      O Saviour of the World      J. Goss (1800-1880)  
O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed  
us. Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord. Amen.

**Communion Hymn**      #177  
A Spendthrift Lover Is the Lord      BEACH HAVEN

### Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant*      **Father,  
through your goodness  
we receive your Son in word and sacrament.  
May we always have faith in him, Jesus Christ the  
Lord.**

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

*All*

### Blessing

**Closing Hymn**      #345  
King of Glory, King of Peace      GWALCHMAI

**Dismissal**      *Deacon*

**Postlude**      Fantasia in G Minor      J. S. Bach (BWV 542)

*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.



**Mothering Sunday** is a day honouring mother churches, the church where one is baptized and becomes "a child of the church". Celebrated since the Middle Ages in the United Kingdom, Ireland and many Commonwealth countries on the fourth Sunday in Lent.

Mothering Sunday coincides with *Laetare Sunday*. The word comes from the Latin *laetari*; "to rejoice". Also called Mid-Lent Sunday or Refreshment Sunday, and Rose Sunday, because the use of rose-colored rather than violet vestments was permitted on this day. The Sunday is considered a day of relaxation from normal Lenten rigors; a day of hope with Easter at last within sight. Traditionally, weddings (otherwise banned during Lent) could be performed on this day, and servants were released from working for the day to visit their mother church and to feast with family. A rich simnel cake is often made to be eaten on this day.

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### *Sunday, March 26*

The **Annual General Meeting of the Congregation** will be held on Sunday, March 26 following the 11 am Service. For inclusion in the report booklet, please email reports to the [Cathedral Office](#) by **March 20**. Many thanks!

## *Sundays at Four*

*Please join us this afternoon at 4 pm for  
Choral Evensong sung by the Men of Capella Regalis .*

**Mar. 26 Evensong** *Sung by Capella Regalis Men & Boys Choir*

**Apr. 2** *To the Point Productions Presents: Passion: Music of a Thousand Years* featuring members of the Choir of All Saints Cathedral Directed by Paul Halley. A single show is scheduled, and seating is limited, so audiences are advised to get tickets early. Information and tickets may be found online at <https://passion-music-of-a-thousand-years.eventbrite.ca>



# Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

## New Member Information Form

1. Please list the names of each family member in the space below:

SURNAME(s): \_\_\_\_\_

NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Please give your mailing address and telephone number:

3. Email address \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **check** here for permission to add your e-mail address to our mailing list. You will receive a bi-monthly listing of Cathedral events called **Cathedral Happenings** and weekly **Sundays @ the Cathedral** announcements.

4. Would you like Offering Envelopes or are you interested in Automatic Offering?

Envelopes: Yes ☐ No ☐

Automatic Offering Yes ☐ No ☐

**Please complete and return on the collection plate  
or give to a Greeter. Thank you!**

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