

The Cathedral Church of All Saints



**Holy Eucharist
9:30 am Service**

FOR THE EASTER SEASON
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,



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

The Holy Eucharist ~ a Celtic 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: Your love is as high as the heavens, O God;
Your faithfulness soars through the skies.

People **Your righteousness reaches the towering peaks;
Your mercy the depths of the sea.**

Presider: We shelter beneath your wings; we feast on the food
you provide.

People **We open our eyes to drink in your goodness; for you are the source of all life, and because of your light we see light.**

The Collect of the Day {see insert}

The Proclamation of the Word {see insert}

Reader: Let us prepare ourselves for the Word of God as it comes to us in the reading of 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 {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, Creator, Redeemer, 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: Holy God, Maker of all

All: **Have mercy on us.**

Presider: Jesus Christ, servant of the poor

All: **Have mercy on us.**

Presider: Holy Spirit, Breath of life

All: **Have mercy on us.**

Presider: In silence let us confess our faults
and admit our frailty.

(A time of silent reflection may follow.)

All: **Before God, we confess to our brokenness;
to the ways we wound our lives,
the lives of others, and the life of the world.**

Presider: May God forgive you,
Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

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 {see insert}

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Presider: The table of bread and wine is now made ready.
It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.
It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world,
with whom Jesus identified himself.
It is the table of communion with the earth,
in which Christ became incarnate.
So come to this table, you who have much faith
and you who would like to have more;
you who have been here often
and you who have not been for a long time;
you who have tried to follow Jesus,
and you who have failed;
Come.
It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The Prayer over the Gifts

All Blessed are you, O God,
ruler of heaven and earth.
Day by day you shower us with blessings.
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,
give us glad and generous hearts,
ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,
through 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: Blessed are you, O God,
for you have brought forth bread from the earth.
Blessed are you, O God,
for you have created the fruit of the vine.
In the beginning you watered the earth
that man and woman might have food and drink.
You gave your servant Sarah bread
to strengthen her family on their journey,
and wine to make them glad.
You called Moses and his people out of bondage
and refreshed them with food in the wilderness.
You gave Mary and Jesus their daily bread to share.

And here at your table you offer us bread and wine
for the journey to nourish us as sons and daughters.
And so, with all our sisters and brothers,
our siblings before us and beside us,
we praise you for your unending greatness, as we say:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Love and Light,
heaven and earth are full of your Light
Glory to You, our God.

**Blessed is He, blessed are we,
blessed are all who come
to your Light.
Glory to You, our God.**

Presider: Among friends, gathered round a table,
Jesus took bread and, having blessed it,
he broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'This is my body which is given for you.'

In the same way he took wine and,
having given thanks for it, he poured it out
and gave the cup to his disciples, saying,
'This cup is the new relationship with God,
made possible through my death.
Take this and share it to remember me.'

Now, following Jesus' example, we take this bread
and this wine; the ordinary things of the world
through which God will bless us.

Lord Jesus Christ, present with us now,
as we do in this place what you did in an upstairs room,
breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine.
May they become for us your body, vibrant with your life,
healing, renewing and making us whole.
And as the bread and wine which we now eat and drink
are changed into us, may we be changed again into you,
bone of your bone and flesh of your flesh,
loving and caring in the world.

Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
Creator, Son and Holy Spirit,
here and everywhere, now and for ever.

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

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

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: Let us pray.

All: We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another;

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)

The Blessing:

Presider: As you have been fed at this table, go to feed the hungry.
As you have been set free,
go to set free the imprisoned.
As you have received – give.
As you have heard – proclaim.
And the blessing which you have received from God;
Creator, Son and Spirit go with you. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn {see insert}

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

In gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people,
we give ourselves to you.
Take us out to live as changed people
because we have shared the Living Bread and cannot remain the
same.
Ask much of us,
expect much from us,
enable much by us,
encourage many through us.

All: **Amen. We leave this worship to serve God.**

***Liturgical Resources:** *Iona Abbey Worship Book,*
Wee Worship Book, Common Praise

*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.



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