The Cathedral Church of All Saints



'Do you love me? Feed my sheep.'

Saint Peter & St. Paul

Combined Service and Luncheon

June 29, 2025



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

Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Keirsten Wells

Prelude Music Andante, Sonata for Two Violins and Piano – Giuseppe Tartini (1692-1770-) Played by Violin and Flute

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 # 565 Guide Me, O thou Great Jehovah

Tune: Cwm Rhondda

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 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.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

All O God, source of every good gift and sure foundation of our unity, as we celebrate your servants, Peter and Paul, grant your church a share in their zeal for preaching the gospel. Strengthen us in our witness to our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

Opening Prayers (1997) alt.

The Proclamation of the Word

The Frist Reading

Reader A reading from the prophet Ezekiel (34:11-16)

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 87



On the holy mountain stands the city / he has founded;* The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwel-/lings of Jacob.

Glorious things are spo-/ken of you,*
O city / of our God.

I count Egypt and Babylon among / those who know me;* behold Philistia, Tyre, and Ethiopia: In Zion / were they born.

Of Zion it shall be said, "Everyone was / born in her,* and the Most High himself / shall sustain her." The Lord will record as he en-/rolls the peoples,* "These al-/so were born there."

The singers and the danc-/ers will say,*
"All my fresh springs / are in you."

The Frist Reading

Reader A reading from the second letter to Timothy (4:1-8)

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

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Gradual Hymn # 271 You Are the Christ, O Lord

Tune: Wyngate Canon

The Gospel Reading

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 (21:15-19)

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son

of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

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.

The Apostles' 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 (crafted by the reader)

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

The presiding celebrant addresses the people.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Preparation Hymn # 645 Come Down, O Love Divine

Tune: Down Ampney

The Prayer over the Gifts

When the altar has been prepared,

All Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation.

Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, so that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer 1

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Creator of all.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is indeed right that we should praise you,

gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us, reflecting your own image. In wondrous diversity you created us all. When we turned away from you in sin,

you did not cease to care for us,

but opened a path of salvation for all people.

You made a covenant with Israel,

and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.

Through Moses you led your people

from bondage into freedom;

through the prophets

you renewed your promise of salvation.

Therefore, with them, and with all your saints

who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death, 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."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith;

All Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

Celebrant Recalling his death,

All

proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Creator, now and for ever. **Amen**

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

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: Look, the body of Christ is broken

for the life of the world.

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

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.



Today the Wine & Hosts and the Bulletin are offered in Loving Memory of our dear friend Howard D'Arcy, with love, respect and admiration from his Cathedral Family

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

(which may 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

Communion Hymn #402

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hears with your peace. Alleluia!

Source: The Taizé Community –

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

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)

Then the following doxology may be said.

Celebrant Glory to God,

All 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.

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 # 430 Will You Come and Follow

Me Tune: Kelvingrove

Dismissal by the Deacon

Postlude Menuetto, Sonata for Two Violins and Piano – Tartini

Musicians: Alison Roe Smith, Pauline, and Graham



Celebrating Russ Hall's 22 years of music ministry at the Cathedral Church of All Saints!

Russ Hall is retiring at the end of June after faithfully participating in the music ministry of the Cathedral for the past 22 years. We would like to acknowledge and thank Russ for so generously sharing his musical gifts with us for so many years.

Please join us for a Potluck Lunch following today's service for the opportunity to offer thanks and to share memories with Russ in person.

*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.



Thank you for your support of our Cathedral's ministries.



This year's *Halifax Pride Festival* will take place July 17 – 27th

Proud Anglicans at the Halifax Pride Parade!

Please join the Proud Anglicans team at this year's Halifax Pride

Parade – Saturday, July 19! The parade route can be found here

(https://waterfrontmediahfx.the902hxir.ca/70291-2), and the

parade begins at 12noon. We will gather at the Citadel

Community Center/High School grounds, entering at the

checkpoint on Trollop Street by 11 am, July 19th, when the

street closures begin. There is no parking at the gathering

grounds. If you have any questions, please email Dawn

at dawnpurcell@gmail.com, she'll be able to be in direct contact

with you about the details.



June is National Indigenous
History Month in Canada, an
opportunity to learn about,
and celebrate, the rich
cultures, traditions, and
histories of First Nations, Inuit,
and Métis peoples. And in
Nova Scotia the heritage of

Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik peoples. It is a time to honour their unique heritage and contributions to Canada, as well as to recognize the resilience of Indigenous communities. This month-long observance also includes National Indigenous Peoples Day, June 21st, the summer solstice.