Welcome to the Cathedral Church of All Saints

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



Peace with Creation

The Season of Creation 2025

September 21, 2025 11 am

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,

Paul W Sund

Very Rev. Paul Smith, Rector,

and Dean of the Cathedral Church of All Saints

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Season of Creation

September 21, 2025

Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. Kate Heichler Preacher: The Very Reverend Paul Smith

The Holy Eucharist

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Although we have come together in this Cathedral Church of All Saints in Halifax, Nova Scotia, we each stand in place on solid ground that is the ancestral territory of peoples who were here long before the Europeans crossed the ocean. We gather at this Cathedral which is located on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. We also recognize that African Nova Scotians are a distinct people whose histories, legacies, and contributions have enriched this part of Mi'kma'ki for over 400 years.

Introit O Come, Let Us Sing Unto The Lord

Tone VI

Antiphon: The Lord God omnipotent reigneth: 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

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Let All Creation Bless the Lord

MIT FREUDEN ZART

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.

Glory to God Missa Sancti Joannes et Divini (Sung by all) P. Halley





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant

Let us pray.

All

Grant us, Creator God, to put wealth to use in relieving the suffering of others; so that we might hold fast to the love that endures; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Season of Creation 2025

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading:

Reader

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our

A reading from the Letter of James [2:1-17]

Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human,

who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 79:1-9 Deus, venerunt.

Chant by R. Clark

Refrain: Sung first by cantors then by all. Sung by all at each place marked R.



1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance; they have profaned your holy temple;

they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.

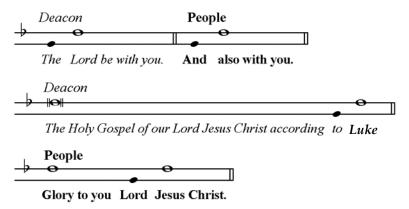
- 2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field. ${\bf R}$
- 3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become a reproach to our neighbours, an object of scorn and derision to those around us. **R**
- 5 How long will you be angry, O Lord? will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your name. **R**
- 7 For they have devoured Jacob and made his dwelling a ruin.
- 8 Remember not our past sins; let your compassion be swift to meet us; for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Saviour, for the glory of your name; deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your name's sake. **R**

Almighty God, Thy Word Is Cast

Albano

Gospel Processional vv. 1—3

Responses before the Gospel



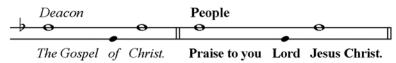
The Gospel

All stand for the Gospel.

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So, he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 'Whoever is faithful in a very

little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.' - Luke [16:1-13]

Responses after the Gospel



Gospel Recessional v. 4

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;

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.

Offertory Hymn

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Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (Omit v.5)

Hyfrydol

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Today we gratefully acknowledge the bulletin and the Wine and Hosts are offered in loving memory of **James G. Morrison** from his daughter Alayne Pothier

The Prayer over the Gifts

When the gifts have been prepared,

Celebrant Thank you, loving God, for forgiveness.

All Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all `

you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the center of this sacred circle through which all of creation is related.

You show us the way to live a generous and

compassionate life.

Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your spirit, for you

are God, now and forever. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 4

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord, our God, sustainer of the universe,

you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be:

the vast expanse of interstellar space,

galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home;

by your will they were created and have their being.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant From the primal elements

you brought forth the human race,

and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill;

you made us the stewards of creation.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant But we turn against you, and betray your trust;

and we turn against one another.

Again and again you call us to return.

Through the prophets and sages you reveal your righteous law.

In the fullness of time you sent your Son, born of a woman, to be our Saviour.

He was wounded for our transgressions,

and bruised for our iniquities. By his death he opened to us the way of freedom and peace.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant Therefore we praise you,

> joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory,

in their unending hymn:

AllHoly, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you thanks, 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."

People Celebrant

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Gracious God,

we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming as Lord of all the nations.

We who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your Holy Spirit upon us

and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

People

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth and make it your new creation.
Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed,

that we, with all your people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you have promised;

through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, creator of all. People Glory to you for ever and ever.

All



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,

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread for distribution

for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant Creator of All

You gave us golden fields of wheat Whose many grains we have gathered

And made into this one bread.

All So may your Church be gathered

from 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, unseen 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,

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

People Thanks be to God.

Agnus Dei Missa Secunda (Sung by the choir) H. L. Hassler

*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 Motet Cantique de Jean Racine G. Fauré (1845-1924)

Verbe égal au Très-Haut, notre unique espérance,

Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux:

De la paisible nuit nous rompons le silence,

Divin Sauveur jette sur nous les yeux!

Répands sur nous le feu de ta grace puissante,

Que tou l'enfer fuie au son de ta voix,

Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante

Qui la conduit â l'oublie de tes lois!

O Christ sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle,

Pour te bénir maintenant rassemble,

Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire immortelle

Et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé!

Word of God, one with the Most High,
In whom alone we have our hope,
Everlasting light of heaven and earth,
We break the silence of the peaceful night;
Saviour divine, cast thine eyes upon us!
Pour on us the fire of thy mighty grace,
That all hell may flee at the sound of thy voice:
Banish the slumber of a weary soul
That brings forgetfulness of thy laws!
O Christ, look with favour upon thy faithful people,
Now gathered here to praise thee,
Receive their hymns offered to thy endless glory.
May they go forth filled with thy gifts!

Communion Hymn

439

Blest Are the Pure in Heart

Franconia

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant

Let us pray

All

Almighty God,

we thank you for feeding us in this holy meal.

We thank you for life, for new life, for Christ's life renewing our life.

May this life flow from us into all the world,

renewing all created things.

May we, reconciled at your table,

be stewards who tend and care for all life - the earth,

its skies and waters, its plants and animals,

and our fellow human beings, in the name of Christ:

Amen.

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

Closing Hymn

619

Fairest Lord Jesus

St. Elizabeth

Choral Benediction God of Power

P. Halley

God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dismissal By the Deacon

Postlude Fugue in A Minor

J. S. Bach (BWV 543)

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.

We extend a warm welcome back to our Cathedral Choir as they return from their summer hiatus.

**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.

Hope for New Beginnings Benefit Concert - Box Office Hours

Tickets for the Benefit Concert on October 24 are now on sale!

- Sundays after the 9:15 & 11:00 services (next to the greeters' table)
- Wednesdays 12:45–1:45 pm, through the Purple Awning Door
- ⊚ Fridays 12:45–1:45 pm, through the Purple Awning Door
- oo Tickets: \$50.00 (cash or Tip Tap)

Thank you for your support—we look forward to seeing you at the concert!

TRIPTYCH: The Music of Paul Halley

Today from 5—7, an evening of exceptional music, cocktails, and catered fare in support of Capella Regalis Choirs.

Tickets are \$150 and include the concert, cocktails, catered fare, and \$100 tax receipt. All proceeds support Capella Regalis's free music training programs for children.

Tickets are available online at <u>capellaregalis.com</u> or by phone: (902) 703-3938.



Each pet will be prayed for!

BLESSING of PETS

honouring
The Feast of St. Francis

Sunday, October 5 @ 2 pm

Victoria Park, in front of the Anglican Cathedral Church of All Saints

1340 Cathedral Lane, Halifax (parallel to South Park) We'll be inside if it rains

Please keep pets contained or restrained

The Season of Creation

An Environmental Reading from Laudato Si', by Pope Francis

When we speak of the "environment," what we really mean is a relationship existing between nature and the society which lives in it. Nature cannot be regarded as something separate from ourselves or as a mere setting in which we live. We are part of nature, included in it and thus in constant interaction with it. Recognizing the reasons why a given area is polluted requires a study of the workings of society, its economy, its behavior patterns, and the ways it grasps reality. Given the scale of change, it is no longer possible to find a specific, discrete answer for each part of the problem. It is essential to seek comprehensive solutions which consider the interactions within natural systems themselves and with social systems. We are faced not with two separate crises, one environmental and the other social, but rather with one complex crisis which is both social and environmental. Strategies for a solution demand an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature

Pope Francis (1936 - 2025) was a Jesuit from Argentina. Laudato si' (Praise Be to You) was his first original encyclical with the subtitle; "on care for our common home".



https://newcreationliturgies.org/seasonofcreation

Today is the International Day of Peace - September 21

Each year on September 21, the United Nations invites people everywhere to mark a *Day of Peace*. This is a time to pause, reflect, and renew our commitment to reconciliation and hope. The theme for 2025 is "Partnerships for Peace: Building a World of Trust."

As followers of Christ, we remember that peace is God's gift and our calling. Jesus teaches, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" (Matthew 5:9). True peace is more than the absence of conflict; it is the presence of justice, healing, and trust between peoples and nations.

For resources and reflections, visit:

- United Nations: www.un.org/peaceday
- World Council of Churches: www.oikoumene.org
- Anglican Communion: www.anglicancommunion.org

As we join with people of faith and goodwill across the globe, may we walk as instruments of God's peace and signs of God's kingdom.

A Prayer for Peace

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle in every heart a true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom the leaders of the nations, that your kingdom may advance until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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): Name(s): 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	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 (pre authorized debit)?			
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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