

THE ORDINATION OF

JOHN R. STEPHENS

AS CO-ADJUTOR BISHOP OF
THE DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER

THE FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE SATURDAY | JANUARY 23, 2021 | 11AM CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL | VANCOUVER BC

WELCOME

GREETINGS, PEOPLE OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER, THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA AND OTHER FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS.

It is with great joy that I welcome you to participate in the Ordination of John Stephens as he becomes the Bishop Co-Adjutor of the Diocese of New Westminster. John has served in many roles in this very diocese: Rector of St. John's, Squamish; Rector of St. Philip's, Dunbar; and most recently Rector of St. John's, Shaughnessy. He has also served as Archdeacon of Vancouver and as a member of the Finance and Property Committee of Diocesan Council, two important leadership roles in the Diocese.

Today John and the Diocese take a big step forward, the first of two steps that culminate in his installation as Diocesan Bishop on February 28, 2021, the last day of my term as Diocesan and as Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon.

While we had all hoped to be able to gather in a limited way for this important liturgy today under the previous "50 people or under allowed to gather" provisions of the Provincial Health Officer, the health orders today allow for livestream liturgies only with strict safety provisions. Accordingly, I and the Diocesan Re-opening/Safety Team submitted the plan for today to our local Health Authority and were given the permission to proceed.

Because this is a livestream-only liturgy, most people attending will be participating from their homes. We encourage all who are participating virtually to say the responses and to sing the hymns. This contributes to the strength of prayer that this important liturgy deserves, and, of course, it allows those at home to play an active part in the event.

Though the limited nature of what we are doing has meant that we do not have as elaborate a liturgy as we had hoped, I do want to thank those who have devoted their time and energy to planning and carrying out today's liturgy: The Very Rev. Christopher A. Pappas, Dean of the Diocese; Rupert Lang, Cathedral Organist and Choirmaster; The Rt. Rev. David Lehmann, Bishop of the Diocese of Caledonia; The Rt. Rev Lynne McNaughton, Bishop of the Diocese of Kootenay, preacher on this occasion; and Randy Murray, Diocesan Communications Officer.

Finally, +John, and the entire Stephens family, as well as all the people and parishes of the Diocese of New Westminster, my prayers are with us all as we begin this important leadership transition together.

IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND WITH A FULL HEART,

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRELUDE MUSIC

As the community gathers for the ordination, pre-recorded music from the Cathedral Choir (CD selections) will be offered.

GATHERING

This celebration is taking place on unceded ancestral lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations.

Greeting The Most Reverend Linda Nicholls, Primate (pre-recording)

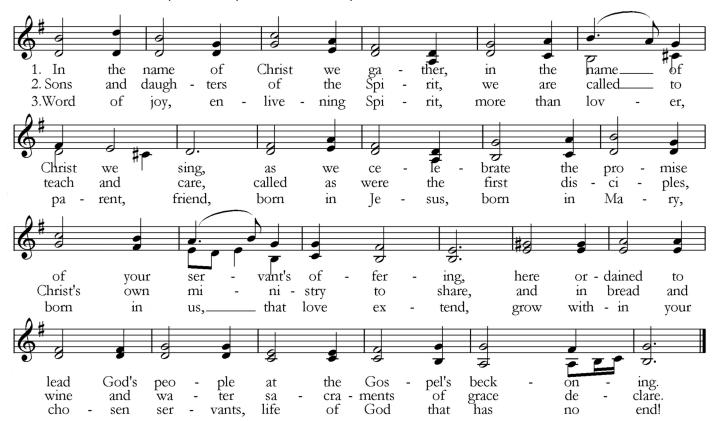
WELCOME

The Indigenous Elder welcomes the community:

Margaret George (pre-recording)

Entrance Hymn In the Name of Christ We Gather

Text: Shirley Erena Murray (1931 –); Music: Henry Purcell (1659 – 1695); Westminster Abbey



The Dean of the Diocese welcomes the community:

The Very Reverend Christopher A. Pappas,

Dean of the Diocese of New Westminster, Rector of Christ Church Cathedral

The Archbishop greets the community:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Archbishop says:

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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Archbishop invites the community to pray, saying:

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
by the preaching of your servant Paul
you caused the light of the gospel
to shine throughout the world.
May we who celebrate his wonderful conversion
follow him in bearing witness to your truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

The appointed reader—Teofilo Bosaing—reads the first reading in Tagalog.

A Reading from Acts (26:9-23).

Indeed, I myself was convinced that I ought to do many things against the name of Jesus of Nazareth.

And that is what I did in Jerusalem; with authority received from the chief priests,

I not only locked up many of the saints in prison, but I also cast my vote against them when they were being condemned to death.

By punishing them often in all the synagogues I tried to force them to blaspheme; and since I was so furiously enraged at them, I pursued them even to foreign cities.

With this in mind, I was travelling to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests, when at midday along the road, your Excellency,

I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining around me and my companions. When we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language,

"Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It hurts you to kick against the goads."

I asked, "Who are you, Lord?"

The Lord answered, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting.

But get up and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you to serve and testify to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you.

I will rescue you from your people and from the Gentiles—
to whom I am sending you to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light
and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive
forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me."

After that, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout the countryside of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God and do deeds consistent with repentance.

For this reason the Jews seized me in the temple and tried to kill me. To this day I have had help from God, and so I stand here, testifying to both small and great, saying nothing but what the prophets and Moses said would take place: that the Messiah must suffer, and that, by being the first to rise from the dead, he would proclaim light both to our people and to the Gentiles.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 67
Setting: Rupert Lang

May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance and come to us. Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

Let all the people praise you, O God.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let all the people praise you, O God.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase;
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Let all the people praise you, O God.

(This setting of Psalm 67 was composed for David Somerville, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his ordination, April 1989)

THE SECOND READING

The appointed reader—Helen Cheung—reads the second reading in Mandarin.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians.

For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism.

I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it.

I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors.

But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him for fifteen days; but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; they only heard it said, 'The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy.' And they glorified God because of me.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (CP 486)

Text: Charles Wesley (1707–1788); Music: William Penfro Rowlands (1860–1937); Blaenwern



THE GOSPEL

The deacon begins the gospel, saying:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (10:16-22).

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves;

so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.

Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues;

and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me,

as a testimony to them and the Gentiles.

When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say;

for what you are to say will be given to you at that time;

for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child,

and children will rise against parents and have them put to death;

and you will be hated by all because of my name.

But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Right Reverend Lynne McNaughton, Bishop, The Diocese of Kootenay

THE ORDINATION OF THE BISHOP

THE PRESENTATION

After the sermon, while the people sit, representatives of the diocese and province, standing before the Archbishop, present the Bishop-elect, saying:

Melissa, Archbishop in the Church of God,

the clergy and people of the Diocese of New Westminster,

trusting in the guidance of the Holy Spirit,

have chosen John Stephens to be a Bishop and chief pastor.

We therefore ask you to lay your hands upon him

and in the power of the Holy Spirit

to consecrate him a Bishop

in the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

The Archbishop then directs that testimonials of the election be read.

When the reading of the testimonials is ended, the Archbishop requires the following promise from the Bishop-elect:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

I, John Stephens, chosen Bishop of the Church

and see of New Westminster

solemnly declare that I do believe the holy scriptures of the Old and New Testaments

to be the word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation;

I do solemnly promise to conform to the doctrine, discipline and worship

of the Anglican Church of Canada;

and I do pledge myself to render due obedience

to the Metropolitan of British Columbia and Yukon and to her successors.

So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

The Bishop-elect then signs the above declaration in the sight of all present. The witnesses add their signatures.

All stand.

The Archbishop then asks the response of the people in these words:

My sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

you have heard testimony given that John Stephens has been duly and lawfully elected to be a Bishop of the Church of God to serve the Diocese of New Westminster.

You have been assured of his suitability and that the Church

has approved him for this sacred responsibility.

Nevertheless, if any of you know any reason why we should not proceed,

let it now be known.

If no objection is made, the Archbishop continues:

Is it your will that we ordain John a Bishop?

It is.

Will you uphold John as Bishop?

We will.

THE EXAMINATION

All now sit except the Bishop-elect, who stands facing the bishops.

The Archbishop addresses the Bishop-elect:

John, the people have chosen you and have affirmed their trust in you be acclaiming your election.

A Bishop in God's holy Church is called to be one with the apostles in proclaiming Christ's resurrection and interpreting the Gospel,

and to testify to Christ's sovereignty as Lord of lords and King of kings.

You are called to guard the faith, unity and discipline of the Church;

to celebrate and to provide for the administration of the sacraments of the new covenant; to ordain priests and deacons, and to join in ordaining bishops;

and to be in all things a faithful pastor and wholesome example for the entire flock of Christ.

With your fellow bishops you will share in the leadership of the Church throughout the world.

Your heritage is the faith of patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs,

and those of every generation who have looked to God in hope.

Your joy will be to follow him who came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Are you persuaded that God has called you to the office of Bishop?

Bishop-elect I am so persuaded.

The following questions are then addressed to the Bishop-elect by one or more of the other bishops:

Will you accept this call and fulfil this trust in obedience to Christ?

Bishop-elect I will obey Christ and will serve in his name.

Will you be faithful in prayer and in the study of holy scripture

so that you may have the mind of Christ?

Bishop-elect I will, for he is my help.

Will you boldly proclaim and interpret the gospel of Christ,

enlightening the minds and stirring up the conscience of your people?

Bishop-elect I will, in the power of the Spirit. As a chief priest and pastor, will you encourage and support all baptized people in their gifts and ministries, nourish them from the riches of God's grace,

pray for them without ceasing, and celebrate with them the sacraments of our redemption?

Bishop-elect I will, in the name of Christ, the shepherd and bishop of our souls.

Will you guard the faith, unity and discipline of the Church?

Bishop-elect I will, for the love of God.

Will you share with your fellow bishops in the government of the whole Church;

will you sustain your fellow presbyters and take counsel with them;

will you guide and strengthen the deacons and all others who minister in the Church?

Bishop-elect I will, by the grace given me.

Will you be merciful to all, show compassion to the poor and strangers,

and defend those who have no helper?

Bishop-elect I will, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

All stand.

The Archbishop then says:

John, through these promises you have committed yourself to God,

to serve his Church in the office of Bishop.

We therefore call upon you, chosen to be a guardian of the Church's faith,

to lead us in confessing that faith.

The Bishop-elect leads the community in the renewal of the baptismal covenant.

The baptismal covenant is a declaration of Christian faith and all those who share this faith are invited to participate.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God,

the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ,

God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in God 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.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself? I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth? I will, with God's help.

THE CONSECRATION

All remain standing, except the Bishop-elect, who kneels before the Archbishop. The other bishops stand to the right and left of the Archbishop. The Archbishop says:

The scriptures tell us that our Saviour Christ spent the whole night in prayer before he chose and sent forth his twelve apostles. Likewise, the apostles prayed before they appointed Matthias to be one of their number. Let us, therefore, follow their examples, and offer our prayers to Almighty God before we ordain John for the work to which we trust the Holy Spirit has called him.

The people remain standing.

The litany for ordinations is prayed by the litanist with the responses said by all the people:

God the Father,

Have mercy on us

God the Son,

Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,

Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,

Have mercy on us.

We pray to you, Lord Christ.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all members of your Church in their vocation and ministry, that they may serve you in a true and godly life, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For Melissa, our Archbishop, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, that they may be filled with your love, may hunger for truth, and may thirst after righteousness, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For John, chosen Bishop in your Church, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That he may faithfully fulfil the duties of this ministry, build up your Church, and glorify your name, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

That by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit he may be sustained and encouraged to persevere to the end, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For ourselves: for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who have died in the communion of the Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Joseph, blessed David of Wales and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord

The Archbishop prays:

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

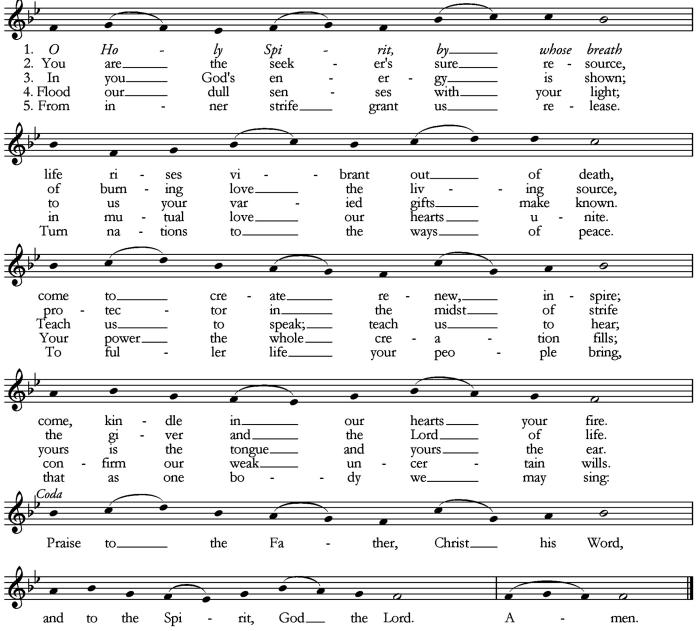
Those participating virtually are encouraged to sing the hymn.

Hymn

O Holy Spirit, By Whose Breath (CP 638)

Text: Latin (9th cent.); tr. John Webster Grand (1919-);

Music: Melody Mechlin plainsong, Mode 8; harm. Healey Willan (1880–1968)



A period of silent prayer follows.

The Archbishop stands with the bishops who assist her, the Bishop-elect kneeling before her; she stretches out her hands towards him, and begins this prayer of consecration:

We praise and glorify you, almighty Father, because you have formed throughout the world a holy people for your own possession, a royal priesthood, a universal Church.

We praise and glorify you because you have given us your only Son Jesus Christ to be the Apostle and High Priest of our faith, and the Shepherd of our souls.

We praise and glorify you that by his death he has overcome death; and that, having ascended into heaven, he has given his gifts abundantly to your people, making some, apostles; some, prophets; some, evangelists; some, pastors and teachers to equip them for the work of ministry and to build up his Body.

And now we give you thanks that you have called this your servant to share this ministry entrusted to your Church.

Here the Archbishop and other bishops lay their hands on the head of the Bishop-elect, and the Archbishop says: Send down your Holy Spirit upon your servant John,

whom we consecrate in your name to the office and work of a Bishop in the Church.

The Archbishop then continues, with hands extended:

Almighty Father, fill this your servant with the grace and power which you gave to your apostles, that he may lead those committed to her charge in proclaiming the gospel of salvation.

Through his increase your Church, renew its ministry and unite its members in a holy fellowship of truth and love.

Enable him as a true shepherd to feed and govern your flock;

make him wise as a teacher, and steadfast as a guardian of its faith and sacraments.

Guide and direct him in presiding at the worship of your people.

Give him humility, that he may use his authority to heal, not to hurt; to build up, not to destroy. Defend him from all evil, that, as a ruler over your household and an ambassador for Christ, he may stand before you blameless, and finally, with all your servants, enter your eternal joy.

Accept our prayers, most merciful Father, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and your Holy Spirit, belong glory and honour, worship and praise, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The new Bishop is now vested according to the order of bishops. Symbols of office may be presented to him.

The Archbishop presents him with a Bible, saying:

Receive the holy scriptures.

Feed the flock of Christ committed to your charge, guard and defend them in his truth, and be a faithful steward of his holy word and sacraments.

The Archbishop presents him with a pastoral staff, saying:

Receive this staff as a sign of your pastoral office;

keep watch over the whole flock in which the Holy Spirit

has appointed you to shepherd the Church of God.

Encourage the faithful, restore the lost, build up the Body of Christ;

that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, you may receive the unfading crown of glory.

THE PEACE

The Archbishop presents to the people the new Bishop, saying:

I present John, Bishop in the Church of God.

The new Bishop then says:

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

The community shares the peace.

The Archbishop then invites the community to be seated.

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

At any point during today's service, you are invited to make a financial offering to God for the Diocesan care + share programme. More information about how to give is found on page 21.

Offertory Hymn

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here (CP 442)

Text: Brian Wren (1936-); Music: Dimitri Bortniansky (1751-1825); adapt. Choralbuch, Leipzig, 1825



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The deacon prepares the gifts of bread and wine for the eucharist.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Archbishop leads the community in the prayer over the gifts:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, as we celebrate this holy eucharist, may your Spirit fill us with the light of faith. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

THE THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The Archbishop, joined by the new Bishop and the deacon, presides at the eucharistic table. The Archbishop begins the thanksgiving at the table, saying:

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, Lover of creation,

we give you thanks and praise for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah,

through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,

to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory saying:

Music: Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert (1797–1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937–)



The Archbishop continues:

Gracious God,

in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you.

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.

a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, 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,

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Archbishop then says:

As our Saviour taught us, and in our native languages, let us pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Archbishop breaks the bread at the table, saying:

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world. God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE COMMUNION OF THE COMMUNITY

During Communion Now, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling (CP 51)

Text: Attrib. Thomas Aquinas (1225? – 1274); tr. Edward Caswall (1814–1878), alt.; Music: Melody *Le Recueil noté*, Lyon, 1871; harm. *Songs of Praise*, 1925



THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Archbishop leads the people in the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty Father,

we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the body and blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your word and sacraments. We pray that John may be to us a godly example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life.

Grant that we, with him, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE EPISCOPAL BLESSING

The new Bishop blesses the people, first saying:

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

The maker of heaven and earth.

Blessed be the name of the Lord,

From this time forth for evermore.

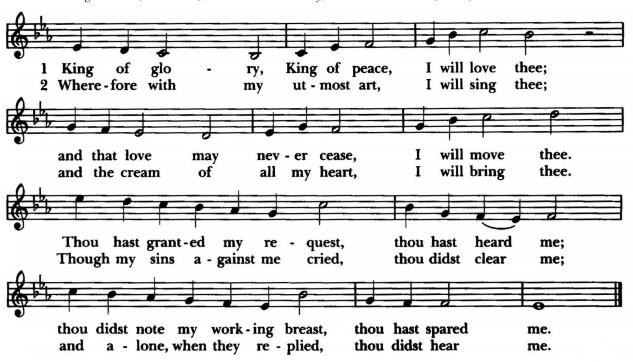
The blessing, mercy, and grace of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

King of Glory, King of Peace

Text: George Herbert (1593-1633); Music: General Seminary, David Charles Walker (1938-)



THE DISMISSAL

The deacon then sends the people forth, saying:

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

King of Glory, King of Peace

3. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee; e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

At any point during today's service, you are invited to make a financial offering to God for care + share

Please make cheques payable to

The Diocese of New Westminster (write "care + share" in the memo line)
and mail to 1410 Nanton Avenue, Vancouver BC, V6H 2E2

Or donate online on the Diocesan website.

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Thank you!



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