

WELCOME to all to this Come Worship EUCHARIST

All are welcome with our joys and griefs, affirmations and doubts, with much faith or little faith (or perhaps none at all, at least that we can recognize). It's good to be here just as we are - those searching spiritually along with those growing as followers of Jesus. Yet encountering the living God rarely leaves us the way we are; God's perfect love cannot but have an impact on us for the good.

*And remember we are **not 'at church', nor 'in a church',** but rather we are part of the church worshipping God in a cathedral.*

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Fredericton, New Brunswick

May 13, 2012 **11:45 am**
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF **Come Worship**
EASTER **EUCHARIST**

in the
GREAT FIFTY DAYS OF EASTER



THE ORDER OF OUR WORSHIP

Ushers Sharon Day, Chris Stevenson

THE CHURCH COMES TO THE CATHEDRAL TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader Dean Keith Joyce

Invitation to worship

Christ is risen. Alleluia!
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Song "Hosanna, praise is rising"

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You,
we turn to You. Hope is stirring,
hearts are yearning for You,
we long for You.

Chorus

*Cause when we see You
we find strength to face the day,
and in Your presence
all our fears are washed away, washed away.
Hosanna, hosanna,
You are the God who saves us,
worthy of all our praises.*

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You,
we turn to You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises.
Hear the sound of hearts returning to You,
we turn to You.
In Your kingdom broken lives are made new, You make all things new.

Chorus

Repeat chorus

Song *"He reigns"*

It's the song of the redeemed
rising from the African plain.
It's the song of the forgiven
drowning out the Amazon rain,
The song of Asian believers
filled with God's holy fire.
It's ev'ry tribe, ev'ry tongue, ev'ry nation;
a love song born of a grateful choir.

Chorus

*It's all God's children singing:
"Glory, glory, hallelujah! He reigns, He reigns!"
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"Glory, glory, hallelujah! He reigns, He reigns!"*

Let it rise above the four winds,
caught up in the heavenly sound.
Let praises echo from the towers
of cathedrals to the faithful
gathered underground.
Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation,
some were meant to persist.
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples,
none rings truer than this.

Chorus

Bridge

And all the powers of darkness
tremble at what they've just heard
'Cause all the powers of darkness
can't drown out a single word.

Chorus

The Worship Leader goes directly to the following prayer.

Prayer of the Day

Merciful God,

you have prepared for those who love you
riches beyond imagination.
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Welcome - *with church-life and other notices*

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

First Bible Reading _____ Acts 10:44-48
Reader Helen Sullivan

A reading from the book of Acts.

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Song *"Ever mindful, ever praising"*

Eternal, awesome God, You alone are worthy
Of praises that we raise towards Your heaven'ly throne
Approaching You in awe, we kneel before the radiance
The Light of all the world, we worship You alone

Chorus

*Ever mindful of your love (your love)
Ever grateful for your mercy (your mercy)
Ever awed by flowing grace (your grace)
Ever praising our great God*

Majestic gracious Lord, we wonder at the mystery
Of how the worlds began, and that Your love rules all
The greatest price was paid, the gift You laid upon the cross
Redeemer of the world, You've saved us from the Fall

Repeat chorus

Repeat first verse

Chorus x 2

Gospel Reading

John 15:9-17

Reader Helen Sullivan

A reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

The Gospel of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Message Belize Presentation

The Apostles' Creed

**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 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.**

Our Prayers

Prayer Leader Paul MacDonald

THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST IS CELEBRATED

Offering Song "*Blessed be your name*"

Blessed be Your Name
in the Land that is plentiful,
where Your streams of abundance flow,
blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name
when I'm found in the desert place,
though I walk through the wilderness,
blessed be Your name.

Chorus

*Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
Blessed be Your glorious name.*

Blessed be Your name
when the sun's shining down on me,
when the world's all as it should be.
Blessed be Your name.
Blessed be Your name
on the road marked with suffering,
though there's pain in the offering,
Blessed be Your name.

Chorus

You give and take away,
You give and take away,
my heart will choose to say, Lord,
Blessed be Your name.

Repeat

Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be Your glorious name.

Please kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Eucharistic Prayer - for the Feast of God's grace

You are here, Lord,
because your Spirit is with us.
And so it is right,
and our duty and our joy,
at all times and in all places
to give you thanks and praise,
holy Father, heavenly King,
almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ our Lord:

For he is the true high priest,
who has loosed us from our sins
and has made us to be a royal priesthood to you,
our God and Father.

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father,
who, in your tender mercy,
gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;
who made there
by his one oblation of himself once offered
a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world;
he instituted,
and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue,
a perpetual memory of his precious death
until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,
and grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this
wine,
according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy
institution,
in remembrance of his death and passion,
may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

Who on the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
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.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father,
in remembrance of the precious death and passion,
the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension
of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
we offer you through him this sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving.

Grant that by his merits and death,
and through faith in his blood,
we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins

and all other benefits of his passion.
Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins,
to offer you any sacrifice,
yet we pray that you will accept this
the duty and service that we owe.
Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences,
and fill us all who share in this holy communion
with your grace and heavenly ✝ blessing;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**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.

Invitation to Receive Communion

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Eucharistic Assistants Diana Rayworth, Kathleen Snow

* *Please come up the centre aisle to receive communion (and return by the side
aisles).*

* *If anyone needs communion brought to them in their pew please speak to an
usher or the Verger and the Celebrant with a Eucharistic Minister will be pleased
to bring it to them.*

NB Please see the end of this bulletin for directions on how to receive communion.
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Please be seated for the following Song.

Communion Song "Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

*My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Saviour has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures

He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Repeat chorus (2x)

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

AFTER COMMUNION

Quiet - *time of contemplation of God's gifts of word and sacrament (as the Worship Leader removes the communion vessels from the Altar)*

Prayer after Communion

You have nourished us in word and sacrament, O Lord.
This is our joy and we thank you.
So strengthened, as your church,
may we love you and serve you in your world,
by speaking and living out the gospel of your kingdom,
so that friend and neighbour and your whole creation
knows your redeeming, healing love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ
has given us the victory,
give you joy and peace in your faith;
and the blessing ☩ of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE CHURCH GOES INTO THE WORLD

Song “*Thanks be to God*”

Chorus

*Thanks be to God
who gives us the victory,
gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ;*

Repeat

He is able to keep us from falling,
and to set us free from sin:
so let us each live up to our calling,
and commit our way to him.

Chorus (2x)

Jesus knows all about our temptations -
he has had to bear them too;
he will show us how to escape them,
if we trust him He will lead us through.

Chorus (2x)

He has led us from the power of darkness
to the kingdom of his blessed Son:
so let us join in praise together,
and rejoice in what the Lord has done.

Chorus (2x)

Praise the Lord for sending Jesus
to the cross of Calvary:
now he's risen, reigns in power,
and death is swallowed up in victory.

Chorus (2x)

ALL ARE WELCOME FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
AT THE BACK OF THE CATHEDRAL.

Easter and the Holy Spirit

Eastertide, all fifty days, celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. Easter is far more than a weekend or even just a week. In this time we look ahead to Pentecost, that great feast day of the giving of the Holy Spirit. To celebrate this most significant event in God's work in this world and for the life of the church we will have only one service that Sunday, May 27.

As we go through Easter let us be deeply aware of the joy and power of the rising of Jesus from the dead and live daily in expectancy of celebrating the essential reality of the Holy Spirit for our lives and for the church.

All baptized Christians, regardless of current or past Church affiliation, are welcome to receive communion.

How to receive communion - ongoing directions [from the Dean (as of 2010 June)]

For safe health practices, a communicant may not intinct (dip) his or her own bread and may not receive the bread on the tongue.

Extend your hands, receive the bread, consume it and either return to your seat or go to a chalice bearer and receive the wine.

Or, to receive the wine but without drinking from the chalice, do not extend your hands when approaching the administrator of the bread; he or she will first intinct (dip) the bread in the wine and then place it in your open hands. (It will not be placed on your tongue.)

Introductions to our Sunday scriptures

Acts 10:44-48

Peter is visiting the home of Cornelius, a devout man who reveres God and is an officer in the Roman army of occupation. Among those present are members of Cornelius' household and Jewish Christians who have accompanied Peter from Joppa.

John 15:9-17

After the Last Supper, Jesus continues to prepare his disciples for the time when he will no longer be physically with them. He has said that he is the true vine, that God is the owner of the vineyard, and that the disciples are the fruit. They represent Jesus in the world – to bear fruit, to bring others to belief in him.

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**In brief, from today's
Activities and Information bulletin:**

- **Monday, May 14, 7:00 pm** - Cathedral washroom information session - Cathedral
- **Monday, May 14, 7:00 pm** - Missions Committee - Lounge
- **Tuesday, May 15, 7:30 pm** - Belize Information Meeting - Hall
- **Wednesday, May 16, 7:00 pm** - Mothers' Union - Lounge
- **Thursday, May 17, 7:30 pm** - **Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day** - Cathedral
- **Saturday, May 19, 8:30 am** - Cathedral Breakfast - Hall
- **Summer Cathedral Tour Guide applications** being received now
- **Vacation Bible School this July at the Cathedral** - there are ways to sign up to participate and help out - *check bulletin boards*
- **No blood pressure clinic** in May
- **One day Saint John Ambulance First Aid/ CPR course** - sign up at back of Cathedral if interested
- **In our prayers** ~ Kay Clarke, Rob Dee, Perley Embleton, Su Ferris, Paige Fowler, Tina Goucher, Lucy Hall, Maurice Lang, Faye Louche, Melanie McKinnon, Leland, David Richard, Mary Rogers, Heather Smith, Anfernee Vasquez, Barbara Williams, Gerry, Danny, and David.
- **NEXT SUNDAY: May 20** - Sunday after Ascension Day

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THE DAY OF PENTECOST



Sunday, May 27

On this great feast day of the year
the Cathedral church family,
with the Archbishop as president of the
liturgy and preacher,
will worship together in one service
at 10:30 am

in this special occasion of worship we celebrate the
birth of our Christian Church and God's gift of the Holy
Spirit to each one of us



☼ a light and informal LUNCH for us all,
and GAMES FOR THE CHILDREN,
follow right after worship ☼