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The Reign of Christ

Sung Evening Prayer, with music from Celtic Traditions

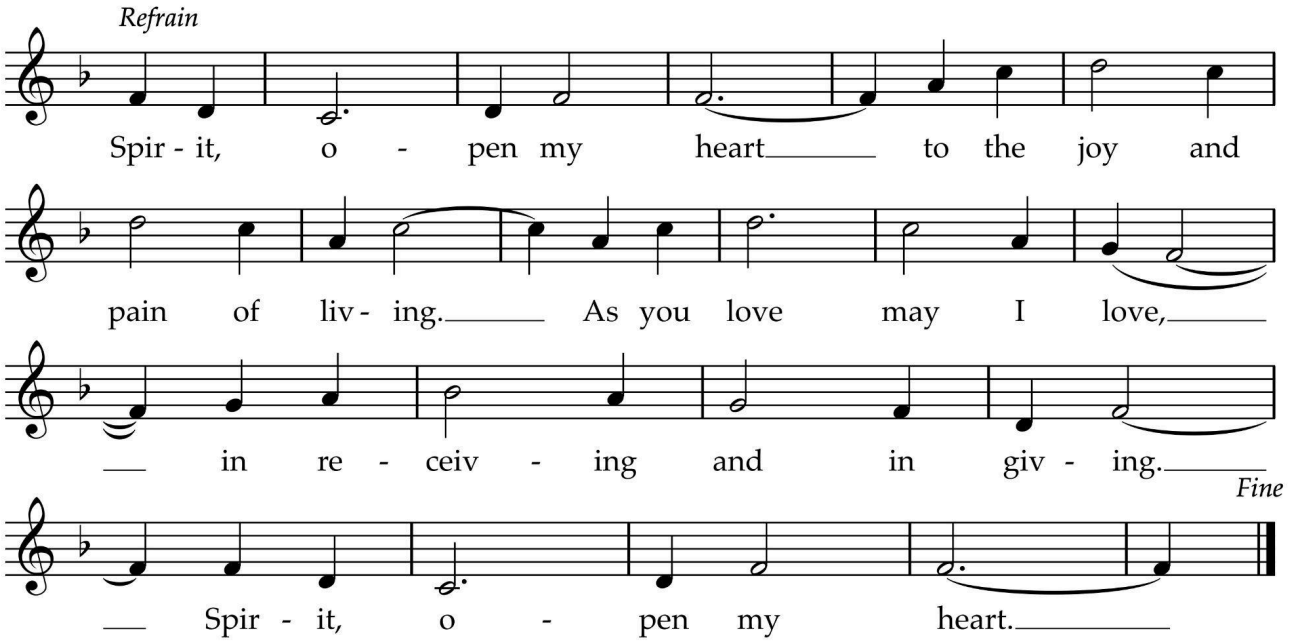
November 22, 2026
4:00 PM

Indications for standing and sitting are suggested,
and we invite you to adopt a pose according to your comfort and custom.

Gathering Song *[Seated]* **Spirit, Open My Heart** **[WILD MOUNTAIN THYME]**

Tune: Irish Trad. arr Alfred V. Fedak, (b. 1953)
Text: Ruth Duck (1947-2024)

The cantors sing the verses; ***all sing the refrain.***
The hymn begins with the refrain:



1 God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. ***Refrain***

2 Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. ***Refrain***

3 May I weep with those who weep share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome on another. ***Refrain***

Welcome

[Standing]

Officiant The Cathedral sits on the ancestral lands of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tseil-Waututh nations. This land was and continues to be of great importance to the Coast Salish Peoples. Consistent with our values of community, inclusion and respecting the dignity of every human being, we have a responsibility to acknowledge, honour and make visible the Cathedral's relationship to Native peoples.

All **From many places and peoples we come to this house of prayer.**

Officiant Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! [Mark 11.9, 10]

Opening Responses [*From the Iona Abbey Worship Book, © 2016 The Iona Community, used by permission.*]

Officiant Come, brother Jesus, be our guest,
stay with us for day is ending.

Bring to this place your poverty,

All **for then shall we be rich.**

Officiant Bring to this place your pain,

All **that in sharing it, we may also share your joy.**

Officiant Bring to this place your understanding of us,

All **that we may be freed to learn more of you.**

Officiant Bring to this place your Holy Spirit,

All **that we and all things might be made new.**

Officiant With friend, with stranger,
with the unknown and well known ones
be among us tonight,

All **for the doors of this house are open,**
And the doors of our hearts we leave ajar.

Confession

Officiant Let us confess our sins
against God and our neighbour.

God of all mercy,

All **we confess that we have sinned against you,**
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
so that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Officiant May the God of love and power
forgive *you/us* and free *you/us* from *your/our* sins,
heal and strengthen *you/us* by the Holy Spirit
and raise *you/us* to new life in Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

[All sit]

Song **I Lift My Eyes Up To the Hills (Based on Psalm 121)**

Music and Text: MacPhearson's Lament, Scottish Trad, arr. Kiran Young Wimberly and The McGraths

Sung by the cantors

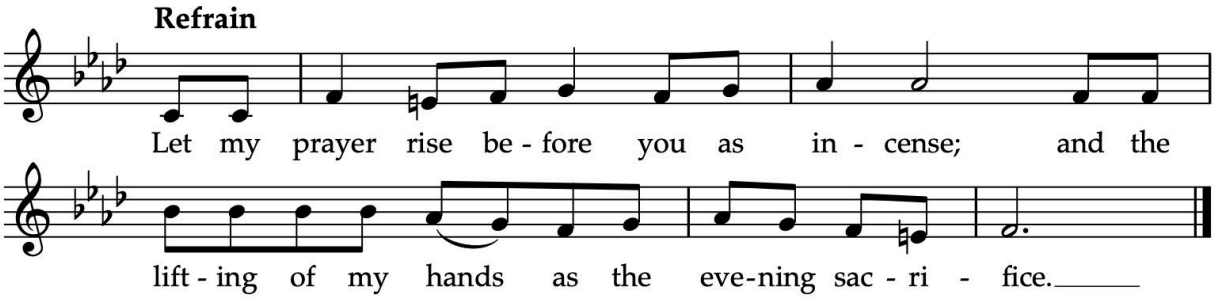
The Proclamation of the Word

[Seated]

Psalm 141

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Music: Gerhard Cartford © 1998 Augsburg Fortress Publishers, arr. Bethany Vrieland © 2011.

Verses are sung by the cantors. We all sing the refrain.



O Lord I call to you; Come to me quickly;
Hear my voice when I cry to you.
Let my prayer rise before you as incense;
The lifting up of my hands as the eve-ning sacrifice. **REFRAIN**

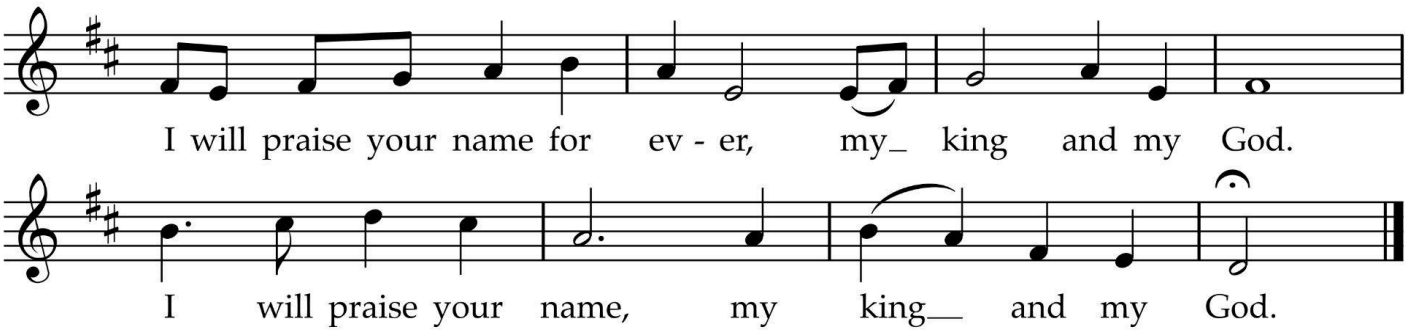
Set a watch before my mouth O Lord,
And guard the door of my lips.
Let not my heart incline to any evil thing.
Let me not be occupied in wickedness with evildoers.

But my eyes are turned to you Lord God;
In you I take refuge; Strip me not of my life. **REFRAIN**

Psalm 145 I Will Praise Your Name Music: Tony Alonso © 2012, 2013, GIA Publications, Inc.

Psalm translation The Revised Grail Psalms,
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I will extol you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.
I will bless you day after day, and praise your name forever and ever. **REFRAIN**

All your works shall thank you, O Lord, and all your faithful ones bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign, and declare your mighty deeds. **REFRAIN**

To make known your might to the children of men, and the glorious splendour of your reign.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your rule endures for all generations. **REFRAIN**

Reading Isaiah 19: 19-25

Following the reading:

Reader Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All **Thanks be to God.**

[Standing]

Hymn **The Lord's My Shepherd** **[BROTHER JAMES' AIR]**

Words: Psalm 23, Scottish Psalter, 1650

Music: James Leith Macbeth Bain (1840-1925)



Reading Matthew 21: 1-13

Following the reading:

Reader Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All **Thanks be to God.**

[Standing]

Canticle **SNC 77 My Soul Cries Out** **[STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN]**

Found in the slim blue hymnal *Music: Irish traditional*

Affirmation of Faith

Said by all, standing.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.
This is the first and the great commandment.
The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself.
There is no commandment greater than these.

[Seated]

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Officiant	Let us give thanks to God our Father, always and for everything, saying, "We thank you, Lord."
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For the beauty and wonder of creation,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For our daily food, for our homes and families and friends,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For minds to think and hearts to love,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For health, strength, and skill to work, and for leisure to rest and play,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For those who are brave and courageous, patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**
Officiant	For all who pursue peace, justice, and truth,
All	**We thank you, Lord.**

The Officiant may add additional petitions, as well as time without words for your own prayer and reflection.
The musicians will offer a musical meditation.

The Collect

Officiant Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

[Standing]

Officiant Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us:

All **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.

Dismissal [*From the Iona Abbey Worship Book, © 2016 The Iona Community, used by permission.*]

[Standing]

Officiant In gratitude for this moment,
this place,
those around us,
Christ among us,
we give ourselves
to you our God.

Take us out to live as changed people
because we have met the risen Christ
and cannot be the same.

All **Ask much of us,**
Expect much from us,
Enable much by us,
Encourage many through us.

Officiant So may we live to your glory
Both as inhabitants of earth
And citizens of the commonwealth of heaven.

All **Amen.**

[All Sit]

Song **Columba's Blessing** Words: Based on St. Columba's Prayer (6th century)

Sung by the Cantors. *Music: A Robertson and A. Raine, Northumbria Community*

[Standing]

Hymn **Lord of All Hopefulness** Tune: SLANE, Irish Traditional,
arr. Martin Shaw (1875-1958), Text: Jan Struther (1901-53)



Participants

Clergy	The Rev. Shawn Bullock *(St. John's Anglican Church, North Vancouver)*
Music	Cantors from the Cathedral Choirs
	The Rev. Clare Morgan *(Clarsach)*
	Dr. Neil Cockburn *(Director of Music)*
	Sharon Chu *(Assistant Director of Music)*

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