

We acknowledge the Tunxis, Sicaog, Wangunks and Poquonook people, the traditional custodians on the land on which Christ Church Cathedral is located. We pay respect to their elders, past and present. We respect their people and traditions as a continued call to live out the ministry of reconciliation to which we are called.

Welcome to our community! Wherever life is taking you, know that we are honored by your presence and invite you to experience God's life-giving grace with us at Christ Church Cathedral. As a community of faith we celebrate God's graciousness by proclaiming in word and deed that God's love is abundant and unconditional. At the Lord's Table, all baptized are welcome to receive Communion. Please turn off your cell phones once the prelude begins. Should you like to speak with a priest following the service, please contact an usher.

Hymns are in The Hymnal 1982 and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (LEVAS).

At the 8 a.m. service, hymns and the second reading are omitted.

The Gloria is recited at the 8 a.m. service. It can be found on page 356 of the Book of Common Prayer

The Liturgy of the Word

Prelude ~ I want Jesus to walk with me

Lynne Petersen

Processional Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 62 In Christ there is no East or West

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's reign, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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 ~ LEVAS II # 243

Carl Haywood

Collect of the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the reading of Holy Scripture.

A Reading From ~ Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do."

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Reader The word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 127 Nisi Dominus ~ Sung by the Choir

C. Hylton Stewart

- Unless the Lord builds the house, * their labor is in vain who build it.
- 2 Unless the Lord watches over the city, * in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.
- It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; * vain, too, to eat the bread of toil, for he gives to his beloved sleep.
- 4 Children are a heritage from the Lord, * and the fruit of the womb is a gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior * are the children of one's youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! *
 he shall not be put to shame
 when he contends with his enemies in the gate.

A Reading From ~ Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Reader The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
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Please stand as you are able.

Gradual Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 87 More love to thee, O Christ

The Gospel ~ Mark 12:38-44

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Deacon The Gospel of our Savior.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon ~ The Rev. Canon D Littlepage, Priest Associate

Following the Sermon, the Celebrant stands. Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God Almighty for God's gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,

God of Life, we thank you.

For all that is gracious in humanity, revealing the image of Christ,

God of Life, we thank you.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

God of Life, we thank you.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

God of Life, we thank you.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

God of Life, we thank you.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity, especially first responders and all those who seek peace in times of war.

God of Life, we thank you.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

God of Life, we thank you.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

God of Life, we thank you.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; We pray especially For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Jeff and Laura, our Bishops; Lina, our Dean; Tony, our Canon for Latino Ministry; Bonnie, our Deacon; Julia, our Intern; Jay, Tim, Ranjit, D, and Rebekah, our Associate Clergy; and for our Congregation Committee and Ministry Teams. We also pray for our sister diocese of Aberdeen and Orkney.

God of Life, we thank you.

For those who have asked for our prayers, especially Canon Tony, Will, Kathleen R., Connie, Joan Z, Maïa, Lee, Almeta, Camille, Gerard, Lourdes, Lenora, Ardyce, Mike R., Jennifer, Andrew, Benjamin, Adrianne, Felicity, Sherrod, Graham, Richard, Mark, Bill, Betty Jo, Michael, Jason, Andrew, Jeannie, Denise, Shelly N., Dennis, Charlene, Marcia, Sean, Mary, Diane, Andrew, David, Shaun, Thomas, Alberto, Kelley, Allison, Dina, Aubrey, Bill, Grace, Ben, Frank, Eric, Nelson, Joan, Treviana, Bob, Tyrone, Locksley, Todd, Rosa, Miguel, Javon, Debbie, Julian, Rose, Samy, Eugenia, Louis, Sylvia, Anne, Harmony, Cristianne, Joslin, Mary Ellen, Sheila, and for those we now name in our hearts.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Prayers for Sound Government

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.

Lord, keep this nation under your care.

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.

Give grace to your servants, Lord.

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill our obligations in the community of nations.

Give grace to your servants, Lord.

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

Give grace to your servants, Lord.

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Amen.

Celebrant

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord; To him be praise and glory, with you, O Creator, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Healing Prayer

Healing Anthem

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements ~ The Very Rev. Miguelina Howell, Cathedral Dean

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem ~ Thy Kingdom come

Karen Marolli

Sarah Washburn, violin

The Doxology ~ 1982 Hymnal # 380 v.3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

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Prayer Over Pledge Cards

Almighty God, Lord of heaven and earth: We humbly pray that your gracious providence may give and preserve to our use the harvests of the land and of the seas, and may prosper all who labor to gather them, that we, who are constantly receiving good things from your hand, may always give you thanks; We thank you today for the financial commitment of our Cathedral members to the mission of God in this place as we receive pledge cards to support God's work among us in the upcoming year, we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer B (Expansive Language)

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus ~ LEVAS II # 255

Grayson Warren Brown

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior 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 Jesus 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Celebrant

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem ~ LEVAS II # 270

Marjorie Landsmark-DeLewis

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died

for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The celebrant leads a prayer for spiritual communion for those worshipping online.

Act of Spiritual Communion

God of love and grace, of justice and peace, we give you thanks that in the Sacrament of the altar you assure us of your presence within us and within the body of Christ, the faithful through all the generations; grant that we who have witnessed anew these holy mysteries, though unable to receive the physical elements of the Sacrament, may be moved by your indwelling Spirit ever more fully to embody your holy and life-giving presence, until we are gathered at last into the fullness of your eternal glory; through Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.

All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. When coming forward to receive Holy Communion, please follow the direction given by the ushers. If you are unable to come to the front, please let an usher know and the Sacrament will be brought to you.

Communion Anthem ~ The Welcome Table

Joel Raney

Sarah Washburn, violin

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn ~ LEVAS II # 184 Blessed Assurance

The Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude ~ Toccata on Great Day

Adolphus Hailstork

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If you are visiting us for the first time, WELCOME! We would like to keep you informed of the amazing blessings we experience in this house of prayer. Please introduce yourself to Dean Howell, Canon Garcia, or Deacon Matthews.

Please join us for Fellowship Hour in the Cathedral House Auditorium following the 10:00am service.

Upcoming Events:

TODAY - Sunday, November 10, 4:00pm: ECCT Celebration of 50 Years of Women's Ordination to the Priesthood Eucharist in the Cathedral will be followed by a festive reception in the Cathedral House Auditorium.

Sundays, November 10, 17, & 24 and December 1 Formation Series: Faith & the Public Square

November 10: Post-Election - A Time of Prayers & Conversations Dr. Jilda Aliotta & the Very Rev. Miguelina Howell

November 17: Exploring Root, Causes, and Solutions to Gun Violence The Rev. Deacon Bonnie Matthews

November 24: Religion & Government: Is there a separation?

The Right Rev. Andrew Smith

December 1: Bringing our Faith to the Public Square

November 26-29: Cathedral Office closed for Thanksgiving

Dr. Jilda Aliotta

Wednesdays, December 4, 11, & 18, 6:00 – 7:00pm: Advent Meals

Join us for food and fellowship in the Cathedral House downstairs dining room.

Sunday, December 8, 8:00am - 1:00pm: Advent Retreat on Faith, Hope, & Charity
Our retreat on the Second Sunday of Advent will begin with Eucharist at 8:00am, followed by breakfast, meditation and discussion, a creative activity, lunch, and closing worship.

The Advent retreat will replace the regular Eucharist services at 10:00 and 12:30.

Sunday, December 15, 9:30am: Combined Service & Annual Meeting
We will celebrate a combined bilingual service of Holy Eucharist at 9:30am, followed by the
Cathedral Annual Meeting in the Reception Room. Lunch will be provided.

Tuesday, December 24, 5:30pm: Christmas Eve Concert & Eucharist The Cathedral Choir will offer a prelude of carols and anthems at 5:30, followed by Holy Eucharist at 6:00.

Wednesday, December 25, 10:00am: Christmas Day Eucharist Join us for a bilingual celebration on Christmas morning.

Sunday, December 29, 10:00am: Lessons and Carols
A bilingual service of readings and carols for the Christmas season.

The 8:00 Eucharist will be celebrated as normal.

Sunday, December 29, 12:30pm: Blue Christmas

A contemplative service for all who are grieving, in pain, overwhelmed,
or just feeling "blue" during the holiday season.

We gather together to honor our experience and bring our whole selves to God.





s a minority member of Trinity Cathedral, Sacramento, I am grateful for the opportunity to reflect on the stewardship theme and the call to "Walk in Love." My journey to this community began nearly 30 years ago when I immigrated from Sierra Leone in West Africa to pursue a better life for myself and my family.

Since then, I have been blessed to serve in various capacities within my church and broader community. My involvement as an usher, livestream volunteer, lector, vestry chaplain, and Eucharistic minister has been a source of great joy and fulfillment. These roles have allowed me to express my dedication to the Anglican Church, a commitment that has been a central part of my life since childhood.

My life's journey has provided me with a unique perspective on the concept of stewardship. As the African proverb goes "It Takes a Village" expresses the notion that success and overcoming obstacles frequently involve the assistance, collaboration, and group effort of others, which was deeply ingrained in my upbringing and highlighted the value of community, cooperation, and teamwork in achieving long-term objectives.

This makes me aware of the value of community, the importance of supporting one another, and the power of love in transcending cultural boundaries. Stewardship, to me, is about more than just financial contributions—it is about giving of oneself, sharing one's talents, and fostering a spirit of love and inclusivity within the community. Matthew 25:14-30 is a parable that teaches about the importance of using one's talents or abilities wisely.

As I reflect on the phrase Walk in Love, I am reminded of the profound impact that love can have when expressed through our actions.

Walking in love demonstrates care and concern for others, fosters a sense of belonging, and builds a community rooted in compassion and empathy. Through this lens of love, I approach my stewardship responsibilities, seeking to nurture a community where everyone feels seen, heard, and supported. Together, let us walk in love, embracing our differences and nurturing a community where everyone can thrive and contribute their unique gifts to the greater good.

Questions for Reflection:

What is an experience of collaboration you have had in your life that demonstrates how we combine our skills to create community?



Bismarck Maddy is a parishioner at Trinity Cathedral, Sacramento and walks in love with his beloved community of faith.





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Since 1762, this Christian community has gathered for worship. To learn more about the ministries we share in this place, you are invited to speak to the clergy or parishioners after the service.

Serving at 8:00 a.m.

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Canon D Littlepage, Priest Associate

Assisting The Rev. Ramon Antonio Garcia, Canon for Latino Ministry

The Rev. Bonnie Matthews, Cathedral Deacon

Psalm Leader / Altar Server John Scott
Intercessor / Verger Jilda Aliotta
Lector JoAnn Thomas

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