

# **CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OTTAWA**

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# PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE Tuesday, October 17th, 2023 12.05 pm

# ORDER OF SERVICE

We gather in silence.

# **Call to Prayer**

Archbishop Hosam Naoum

#### **Meditative Music**

#### **Collect for Peace**

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your Church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

First Reading Isaiah 2:2-5

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

#### **Ubi Caritas**

Second Reading John 14:25-27

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

**Hymn**Let there be light

Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face: open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;

perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;

hallow our love, hallow the death of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom, hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come, thy spirit turn to language, thy people speak together, thy spirit never fade;

let there be light, open our hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

# **Silent Prayer**

# The Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class, **Creator, forgive.** 

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own, **Creator**, **forgive**.

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth, **Creator**, **forgive**.

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,

Creator, forgive.

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee, **Creator, forgive.** 

The lust which dishonours the bodies of human beings, **Creator, forgive.** 

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God, **Creator, forgive.** 

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

## A Prayer for Peace

Archbishop Hosam Naoum

O God of all justice and peace, we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land. Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths – Jews, Muslims, Christians, and for all people of the land. While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children for, to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.** 

## **Episcopal Blessing**

Officiants Reader Organist Cantor Dean Beth Bretzlaff, Bishop Shane Parker Canon Doug Richards James Calkin Andrew McAnerney

Readings: New Revised Standard Version Bible (NRSV)Anglicized Edition, @1989, 1995, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Hymn: Common Praise @2000 by the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada. Litany of Reconciliation: Coventry Cathedral @1958, rev 2023.