December 24, 2025 4 pm

Christmas Eve Pageant





Loving God. Loving People. Growing in Christ Together.

Presiding: The Reverend Canon Dr. Patrick McManus

Assisting: The Reverend Ginnie Wong

The Reverend Deacon Jennifer Cameron The Reverend Deacon Natania Friesen

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God.

We are a Christian community that celebrates God's love in our common life of prayer and service in this neighbourhood.

Children are full members of our church and we welcome their presence and participation in our worship. Please feel free to sit at any time during the celebration.

Processional Hymn: O Come, All Ye Faithful (118)

Tune: Adeste Fideles

Please stand as you are able.

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem: Come and behold him, born the king of angels;

Refrain:

O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

God of God, Light of Light, Lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb; Very God, begotten not created: [Refrain:]

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above; Glory to God in the highest: [Refrain:]

See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle, Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear; We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps: [Refrain:]

Welcome:

Christmas Greeting:

Presider: I bring you good news of great joy:

People: a Saviour has been born to you. Alleluia.

Presider: Unto us a child is born,

People: Unto us a Son is given. Alleluia.

Presider: He is Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

People: We worship and adore him. Alleluia.

The Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Reader: Jesus, you came to be the light in our darkness.

You came to be the peace in our conflicts.

All: Lord Jesus, Light of light,

you have come among us.

Help us who live by your light to shine as lights in your world. Glory to God in the highest.

Reader: Jesus, you came to be the joy in our sadness,

and to bring your love into our fears.

Light the Christ candle.

Reader: Today we celebrate your birth.

Thank you for your saving grace.

All: As we celebrate the coming of Christ

who brings light to the world,

help us leave behind the darkness of sin, walk in the light that shines on our path, and renew within us the hope of glory

to which you beckons us. Amen.

Prayer of the Day:

Presider: Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Eternal God,
this holy night is radiant
with the brilliance of your one true light.
As we have known
the revelation of that light on earth,
bring us to see the splendour of your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We listen and respond to God's message in Scripture

THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT:

"I Love to Tell the Story" Elizabeth C. Haynes

Scene 1: The Angel Appears

Interlude: Tell out, My Soul

Scene 2: The Census

Carol: O Little Town of Bethlehem (120)

Tune: St. Louis

please remain seated

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by; yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light; the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and, gathered all above While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love. O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth, and praises sing to God the King and peace to all the earth.

How silently, how silently, the wondrous Gift is giv'n! As love imparts to human hearts the blessings of God's heav'n! No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin, where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

Scene 3: **Arriving in Bethlehem**

Carol:
Once in Royal David's City (123)

Tune: Irby

Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed, Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for his bed: Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven Who is God and Lord of all, And his shelter was a stable, And his cradle was a stall; With the poor and mean and lowly Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

For he is our childhood's pattern, Day by day like us he grew, He was little, weak, and helpless, Tears and smiles like us he knew: And he feeleth for our sadness, And he shareth in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see him, Through his own redeeming love, For that child so dear and gentle Is our Lord in heav'n above; And he leads his children on To the place where he is gone.

~C. F. Alexander (1818-1895)

Scene 4: The Shepherds See the Angels

Scene 5: The Magi in the East

Carol: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing (138)

Tune: Mendelssohn

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled: Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With th' angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem.

Refrain:

Hark! The herald angels sing Glory to the newborn King.

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord, Late in time behold Him come Offspring of a virgin's womb: Veiled in flesh the Godhead see, Hail th' incarnate Deity! Pleased as one of us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. [Refrain:]

Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings;
Mild he lays His glory by,
Born that we no more may die,
Born to raise each child of earth,
Born to give us second birth. [Refrain:]

~The Reverend Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Scene 6: In the Stable

Carol: **Away in a Manger (126)**

Tune: Cradle Song

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

Hymn: Go Tell it on the Mountain

(Refrain)

Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere Go, tell it on the mountain, That Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night Behold throughout the heavens There shone a holy light. (Refrain)

The shepherds feared and trembled, When lo! above the earth, Rang out the angel chorus That hailed the Saviour's birth. (Refrain)

Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born And God sent us salvation That blessèd Christmas morn. (Refrain)

Pageant participants join their families in the congregation during the singing of this song.

The Nicene Creed:

Presider: Let us confess our faith, as we say

of all that is, seen and unseen.

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

> 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith,

let us prepare to offer our prayers to God.

Litany of Christmas:

Please stand as you are able.

Leader: Let us pray to our incarnate Lord,

who has brought us out of darkness and into his own marvellous light.

Christ born for us,

Son of God given for us: help us to know you,

to worship and to serve you.

Lord, in your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Wonderful counsellor,

you order all things with your wisdom:

help the Church to reveal the mystery of your love

and fill her with the Spirit of truth.

Lord, in your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Mighty God,

the government is on your shoulders:

guide the leaders of the nations

and bring in your kingdom of justice and

righteousness.

Lord, in your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Everlasting Father,

you call us to live together in unity: protect by your mercy all your children,

bless our families and renew our communities.

Lord, in your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Prince of peace,

bring in the endless kingdom of your peace.

Lord, in your mercy

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Almighty Lord, All: hear our prayer.

and fulfil your purposes in us, as you accomplished your will in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

The Confession and Absolution:

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

he welcomes sinners

and invites them to his table.

Let us confess our sins,

confident in God's forgiveness.

Please kneel as you are able.

Presider: Most merciful God,

All: 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 neighbours 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.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Please stand.

The Peace:

Having prayed for God's grace and peace for us and the world, we exchange a sign of that peace with one another. As you are comfortable, you may shake hands with those around you and say the words, "Peace be with you."

You may also simply bow your head as you say the words.

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Carol;
The First Nowell (139)
Tune: Trad English Melody

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It's during the singing of this hymn that we give back to God from what God has given us. You can use an offering envelope or give via e-transfer: etransfer@allsaintskingsway.ca

The first nowell the angels did say was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay, in fields where they lay keeping their sheep on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell, Born is the king of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star, Shining in the sky, beyond them far; And to the earth it gave great light, And so it continued both day and night. (*Refrain*)

And by the light of that wild star,
Three Magi came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went. (*Refrain*)

This star drew nigh to the northwest; O'er Bethlehem it took its rest, And there it did both stop and stay, Right over the place where Jesus lay. (Refrain)

Prayer over the Gifts: *Please remain standing.*

Presider: Source of light and gladness,

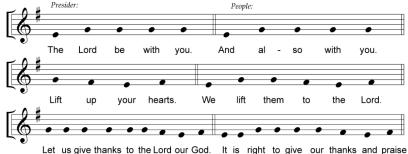
accept all we offer on this joyful feast.

May we grow up in him who unites our lives to

yours; for he is Lord now and for ever.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving:



Presider:

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the mystery of his incarnation was made perfect man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; in him we have seen a new and radiant vision of your glory.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven, we lift our voices and sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

> Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (722)

Tune: Picardy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heav'n and earth are full, Full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Presider:

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

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

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Presider: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and

thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;

presenting to you, from your creation, this bread

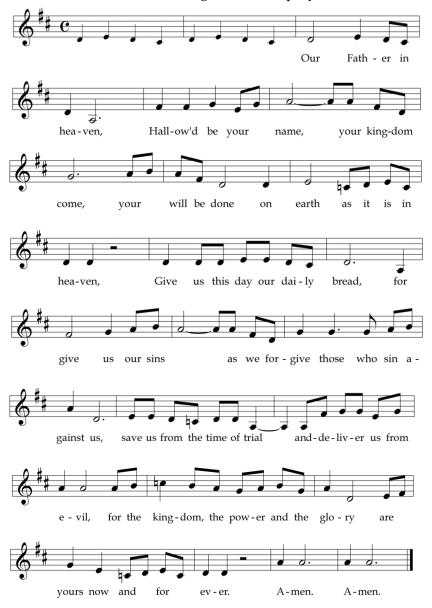
and this wine.

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 to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer: Mass for the King of Glory Betty Pulkingham (b.1928 -2019)

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:



Breaking of the Bread:

Presider: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of

the world.

People: God here among us, light in the midst of us,

Bring us to light and life.

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Song for the Breaking of the Bread: O Jesus, Redeemer

Tune: Cradle Song (#126)

People:

O Jesus, Redeemer, O bless'd Lamb of God, The angels sang praises in glory and laud; Forgive us our sins as we sing of your birth, And give us your blessing in heaven and earth.

O Jesus, Redeemer, O bless'd Lamb of God, You came down from heaven in glory and awe; Bring healing and comfort by your holy birth, And give us your peace now in heaven and earth.

Please be seated.

Music During Communion:

Carol:

It Came upon the Midnight Clear (140)

Tune: Carol

It came upon the midnight clear, That glorious song of old, From angels bending near the earth, To touch their harps of gold: "Peace on the earth, to all good will From heaven's all-gracious king!" The world in solemn stillness lay, To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come With peaceful wings unfurled, And still their heavenly music floats O'er all the weary world; Above its sad and lowly plains They bend on hovering wing, And ever o'er its Babel sounds The blessed angels sing.

For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years
Shall come the time foretold:
When the new heaven and earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

Carol: What Child Is This? (137)

Tune: Greensleeves

What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

Refrain (R):

This, this is Christ, the King, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing: Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Why lies He in such mean estate, Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear: for sinners here The silent Word is pleading. [R] So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh, Come, peasant, king to own Him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone Him. [R]

Please stand as you are able. Prayer after Communion:

Presider: Faithful God,

in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation.

May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Amen.

The Doxology:

Presider: Glory to God

People: Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more

than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in

Christ Jesus, forever and ever. Amen.

Candles will be lit during the singing of this carol. Please hold lit candles upright and tilt unlit candles into flame.

Carol: Silent Night (119)

Tune: Stille Nacht

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright, Round yon Virgin Mother and Child! Holy Infant, so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace! Sleep in heavenly peace!

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight!

Glories stream from Heaven afar, Heavenly Hosts sing Alleluia! Christ, the Saviour, is born! Christ, the Saviour, is born!

Silent night! Holy night! Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from Thy Holy Face With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at Thy Birth! Jesus, Lord, at Thy Birth!

Christmas Blessing:

Presider: May the Father,

> who has loved the eternal Son from before the foundation of the world,

shed that love upon you his children.

Amen.

May Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one, things earthly and heavenly, fill you with joy and peace.

Amen.

May the Holy Spirit, by whose overshadowing Mary became the God-bearer, give you grace to carry the good news of Christ. Amen.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal:

Deacon: Go forth in the love and joy of Christ!

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Joy to the World Arr. Alfred Fedak

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Narrators: Kate Friesen, Molly Cosburn

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The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

Please notify the Clergy if you know of anyone who is ill or otherwise in need of pastoral care. Such information is of great assistance to the Clergy, as they endeavour to minister to parishioners.

Merry Christmas from All Saints Kingsway to you and yours!

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