

December 25, 2025 10am

Feast of Christmas



Loving God. Loving People.
Growing in Christ Together.

Presiding:
Organist:

The Reverend Canon Dr. Patrick McManus
Wade Bray

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

*We are a Christian community who celebrates the love of God 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.*

Prelude:
Joseph Dearest, Joseph Mine
Arr. Lani Smith

Please stand as you are able.

Carol:
O Come, All Ye Faithful (118)
Tune: Adeste Fideles

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 (R):
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: (R)

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

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;
Glory to God in the highest: (R)

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be glory given:
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing: (R)

Welcome:

The Christmas Greeting:

Presider: The people who walked in darkness,
People: **have seen a great light.**

Presider: For to us a child is born,
People: **to us a Son is given.**

Presider: His name will be called Wonderful, Counsellor,
Mighty God,
People: **the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.**

Presider: Glory to God in the highest
People: **and peace to his people on earth.**

~cf. Isaiah 9.2,6

The Song of Praise:
Gloria in Excelsis
Tune: Iris (#135)

Glory be to God in heaven,
Peace on earth in all our days!
King and Lord, almighty Father,
Praise and blessing now we raise:
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Lamb of God, O Lord most holy,
Jesus, take our sins away;
You are seated with the Father,
Hear our voices as we pray:
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Jesus, you are Lord and Saviour,
You alone the Holy One,
With the Holy Spirit blessed
And the Father on the throne.
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

The Prayer of the Day:

Presider: Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

O God our Father,
whose Word has come among us
in the Holy Child of Bethlehem,
may the light of faith
illumine our hearts
and shine in our words and deeds;
through him who is Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in Scripture

First Reading:

Isaiah 9:2-7

Reader: A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has
shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult
when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor,

you have broken as on the day of Midian. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Psalm 96:

Tune: Forest Green (#121)

Please remain seated.

**Sing to the Lord new songs, proclaim
The marvels he has done
With his right hand and holy arm,
The triumph he has won.
The victory the Lord has won
He has this day made known;
To all the world his righteousness
Has openly been shown.**

**The Lord recalls for Israel
His love and faithfulness;
To all the earth his victory
Sing to him and rejoice,
Shout now with joy to God the Lord;
In praise lift up your voice;
All nations of the worlds as one
Sing to him and rejoice.**

Second Reading:
Titus 2:11-14

Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to Titus.

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

The Gospel Acclamation:
While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

Tune: Winchester (#136)

Please stand as you are able.

While shepherds watched their flocks by night all seated on the ground, The angel of the Lord came down and glory shone around;

“Fear not”, said he, for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind, “Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and humankind.”

The Holy Gospel:
Luke 2:1-20

Gospeller: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospeller: In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-- I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favours!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

(Sung) All glory be to God on high, and to the world be peace;
Goodwill henceforth from heaven to earth begin, and never
cease.

Please be seated.

Sermon:

The Reverend Canon Dr. Patrick McManus

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

The Nicene Creed:

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: 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:
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.

The Litany of Christmas:

Leader: In peace let us pray, saying *Holy God - hear our prayer.*

Loving God, on this holy day our Saviour was born in
human flesh. Renew your Church as the Body of
Christ.

All: Holy God -
Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day there was no room for your Child in the inn. Protect with your love those who have no home and all who live in poverty.

Holy God -

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day Mary, in the pain of labour, brought your Son to birth. Hold in your hand those who are sick and all who are in pain or distress.

Holy God -

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. Bring comfort to places in the world where there is war, oppression, calamity and to all who suffer in the sadness of our world.

Holy God -

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day the angels sang, 'Peace to God's people on earth.' Strengthen those who work for peace and justice in the world.

Holy God -

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day shepherds found the Holy Family, and saw the baby lying in the manger. Bless our homes and all whom we love.

Holy God -

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day heaven is come down to earth, and earth is raised to heaven. Hold in your hand all those who have passed through death in the hope of your coming kingdom.

Holy God -

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: On this holy day Christians the world over celebrate Jesus's birth. Open our hearts that he may be born in us today.

Holy God -

***All:* Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Father,
on this holy day angels and shepherds worshipped at the manger throne.
Receive the worship we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph and all the saints
through him who is your Word made flesh,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

~cf. Matthew 1.21

The Confession and Absolution:

Please kneel as you are able.

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.**

The Peace:

*Having prayed for God's peace for us and the world,
we offer an exchange of peace with one another
from where we are standing and online in the 'live chat'.*

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: The angels sang,
'Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to all in whom he delights.'

~cf. Luke 2.14

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

*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:
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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:

Presider: Generous Creator,
in faith and joy
we celebrate the birth of your Son.
Increase our understanding and our love
of the riches you have revealed in him,
who is Lord now and for ever.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving:

Presider: *People:*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise

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:

Adeste Fideles (118)

John Francis Wade (1711-1786)

People:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.
Lord God of pow'r, Lord God of pow'r - and might



1. Hea - ven and earth are filled this night with glo - ry Ho -
2. Bless - ed is he who comes this night in God's name: Ho -



san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -



san - na in the high - est! Ho - ly Lord!
san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed are you!

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:

Presider: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
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 forever. Amen.**

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 Bread:

O Jesus, Redeemer
Tune: Cradle Song (#126)

**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:
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]

~William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)

Prayer after Communion:

Presider: Source of truth and joy,
may we who have received the gift of divine life
always follow the way of your Son.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

Doxology:

Presider: Glory to God
All: **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.**

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.

Carol:
Joy to the World (154)
Tune: Antioch

**Joy to the world! The Lord is come:
let earth receive the King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**

**Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns:
let us glad songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.**

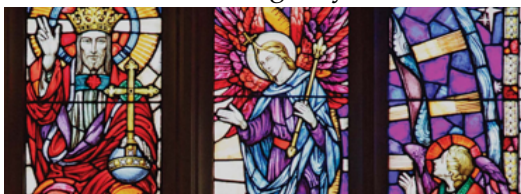
The Dismissal:

Presider: Go forth in the love and joy of Christ.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude:
Joy on Christmas Day
Gregg Sewell

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from all of us at All Saints Kingsway!*

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to the glory of God.*

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