Fourth Sunday of Advent



December 18, 2022

Holy Eucharist at 9.15 am (in the Chapel)

The service begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer.

Choral Eucharist at 10.30 am

Welcome to the Church of St Peter and St Simon-the-Apostle. The service begins on page 67 of the *Book of Common Prayer* or on page 230 of the *Book of Alternative Services*.

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine Assisting: The Reverend Jennifer Matthews Director of Music/Organist: Robin Davis

Mass Setting: Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena – Healey Willan

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The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the honour and glory of Almighty God and in thanksgiving for the children's ministry of our parish.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude Prière à Notre Dame - Suite Gothique

LÉON BOËLLMANN

Lighting of the Advent Wreath (Leader: Elijah, aged 10)

Leader On this Fourth Sunday of Advent

we remember the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Angel Gabriel visited Mary.

He announced that she would be the mother of Jesus, the Son of God.

Leader Lord Jesus, light of the world, bless us your children

as we wait to celebrate your birth at Christmas.

The fourth candle is lit.

Leader We wait for your loving kindness O God,

All In the midst of your temple.

Leader The glory of the Lord shall be revealed.

All And all flesh shall see it together.

Leader Show us your mercy O Lord.

All And grant us your salvation.

Children's Musical Miracle on Bethlehem Street (adapted) Lowell Alexander & Tom Long

Bethlehem has never been busier! Caesar's Census has the entire town in a frenzy...and of course, everyone's favorite innkeeper plans to capitalize on the coming crowds. He's decided to make his inn a luxury inn. Our cast members are:

Inn Staff Jayden Dangpilen Benjamin (the Innkeeper) Elijah Hughes Rachel (Benjamin's wife) Ashray Ahumuza

Servant Darlene Kirabo Mawanda

Herald Ariana Ahwera

Mary Sophie Knowles
Joseph Dave Knowles

The 3 Kings Ian Corlett, Ian Speck and John White

The Songs:

Bethlehem is Busy

Dollars and Census (solo Benjamin)

Make a Place (solo Rachel)

Chasing a Star

Miracle on Bethlehem Street

Receive the King

A special Thanks to Audrey Hughes our prompter, Sileen Phillips, Carol Peck, the parents and our amazing children for making this production possible.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant RAISE up, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and

mercy may speedily help and deliver us; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Collect for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Liturgy of the Word

The Epistle *Galations 4.4-7*

Read by Mary Martin

Reader The Epistle is written in the 4th chapter of the Book of Galations, beginning at the 4th verse.

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir through God.

Reader The word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80.1-7 Qui regis Israel.



- ¹ HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph **like** a flock; / show thyself also, thou that sittest **up**-on the cher-u[^]bim.
- ² Before Ephraim, Benjamin, **and** Manasseh, / stir up thy strength, and come **and** help us.
- ³ Turn us a-gain, O God; /

show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

⁴ O Lord **God** of hosts, /

how long wilt thou be angry with thy **peo**-ple that pray-eth?

- ⁵ Thou hast fed them with the **bread** of tears, / and hast given them plen-**teous**-ness of tears to drink.
- ⁶ Thou makest us a very strife un-**to** our neigh-bours, / and our ene-**mies** laugh us to scorn.
- ⁷ Turn us again, O **God** of hosts; / show the light of thy countenance, **and** we shall be whole.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 1.18-25

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel is written in the 1st chapter of the Gospel according to St.

Matthew, beginning at the 18th verse.

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: "Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us." When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant I Believe in one God

the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father

and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Led by Reverend Jennifer Matthews

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invites the confession of Sin.

Celebrant Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him. Come unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Matthew 1.28

God so loved the world, that he gave his onlybegotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. *John 3.16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith. This is a true saying, and worthy of all to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1.15*

Hear also what Saint John saith. If anyone sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2.1-2*

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Celebrant Almighty God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The absolution is pronounced.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant As we have opportunity, let us do good unto all people; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith. Galations 6.10.

Offertory Hymn 362 Tell Out my Soul

WOODLANDS

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God of mercy, receive all we offer you this day. May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom, and live with you in unending love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world; that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made

there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

Celebrant And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are Holy partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Celebrant And now as our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to pray:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.

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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

All Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

Hymn 117 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

Es ist ein' Ros

Choir Carol The Angel Gabriel (Basque Carol)

TRADITIONAL

The angel Gabriel from heaven came His wings as drifted snow his eyes as flame "All hail" said he "thou lowly maiden Mary, Most highly favored lady," Gloria!

"For know a blessed mother thou shalt be, All generations laud and honor thee, Thy Son shall be Emanuel, by seers foretold Most highly favored lady," Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head "To me be as it pleaseth God," she said, "My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name."

Most highly favored lady. Gloria!

Of her, Emanuel, the Christ was born In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say:1 "Most highly favored lady," Gloria!

Motet I Sing of a Maiden that is Makeless

MAURICE WHITE

I sing of a maiden that is makeless; King of all Kings to her son she ches. He came all so still where his mother was, as dew in April that falleth on the grass. Mother and maiden was never none but she; Well may such a Lady God's mother be.

Post Communion Prayer

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 97 *Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring*

TANTUM ERGO (ST THOMAS)

Dismissal

Celebrant Go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude Toccata - Suite Gothique

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In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion The Anglican Church of Korea.

<u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u> Christian-Jewish Dialogue of Toronto (CJDT)

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer *Pray for* the Parish of Bobcaygeon, Dunsford & Burnt River, its food bank, refugee support, prayer shawl ministry, and support of Sleeping Children Around the World and other outreach initiatives;

for the Parish of Campbellford, Hastings and Roseneath, its school breakfast and lunch programs, its weekly dinners, its Deacon's Cupboard, support of Warkworth Hospice, and refugee sponsorship;

and for Christ Church, Bolton, its support for Caledon Community Services, its community garden, prayer shawl ministry, Christmas stocking outreach to the King Nursing Home, and support of other local outreach programs.

Parish Cycle Jennifer Pattison, Tony & Diana Pearce, Ross & Barb Pearson, Carol Peck.

<u>Home Bound Parishioners</u> Gail Birnie, Joyce Brighty, Nancy Byers, Ann Duff, Alice fox, Dennis Gittens, Lorraine Griffith, Sabrina Hogan, George Petricko, Lucy Simons, Miriam Smart, Vernita Theobolds, Barbara Towe, Lila Vamosi, Daphne Webster.



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