



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 7, 2025

† HOLY EUCHARIST AT 9.00 AM. (In the Chapel of the Holy Spirit)

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

For the readings, please see the 10.30 am. service.

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine
<i>Preacher</i>	Grace Rockett
<i>Collects</i>	BCP pp. 97 & 95.

† CHORAL EUCHARIST AT 10.30 AM. Traditional Rite

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Reverend Canon Geoffrey Sangwine
<i>Preacher</i>	Grace Rockett
<i>Servers</i>	Ferdinand Galingan, Fen Nanton, Celine Wong, Vincent Wong
<i>Communion Ministers</i>	Vincent Wong, Marina Caytap
<i>Music Ministry</i>	Mervin Fick (Director) and the Parish Choir
<i>Mass Setting</i>	<i>Missa Brevis</i> – Walter MacNutt

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the 10.30 am service.

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given by Margie Hucyke
to the honour and glory of Almighty God
and in in loving memory of friends.*



We acknowledge that in gathering to worship Almighty God, we are in the traditional territory of many First Nations peoples including the Mississaugas of the New Credit, the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunees, and the Huron-Wendat.

"The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is, the world and all who dwell therein." Ps. 24.1.

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude *Chorale Prelude on 'Wake, Awake'*

J.S. BACH

Greeting

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Lighting the Advent Candle

Leader On this second Sunday of Advent we remember John the Baptist.
John was a prophet; he was also the cousin of Jesus.

Leader John prepared people for the coming of Jesus, the Messiah.
He called them to turn and walk in a new way.
May we walk by faith, waiting and watching for Jesus, the Light of the world.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

The second candle is lit.

Leader Blessed be the Lord God of Israel;

All **For he has visited and redeemed his people,**

Leader He has raised up a mighty Saviour for us,

All **In the house of his servant David.**

Leader Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

All **Hosanna in the highest.**

Hymn CP 103 *On Jordan's Bank*

WINCHESTER NEW

Collect for Purity & Summary of the Law

Celebrant Almighty God,

All **unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no
secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of
thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify
thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul,
and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great

commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.
Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

All

Kyrie Eleison

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Collects

Celebrant O Lord Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning our hearts to thee, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

First Lesson *Isaiah 11.1-10*

Read by Ian Corlett

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
roots. ²The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. ³His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. ⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall

lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. ⁹They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 72.1-8, 20-21 *Sung by Choir and All.*

TONE VIII.2

GIVE the king thy judgements, O God, /
 and thy righteousness unto the king's son.
2 Then shall he judge thy people according unto right, /
 and thy poor with justice.
3 The mountains also shall bring peace, /
 and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right, /
 save the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.
5 HE shall live as long as the sun, /
 and while the moon endureth, from one generation to another.
6 He shall come down like the rain upon the mown grass, /
 even as the showers that water the earth.
7 In his time shall righteousness flourish; /
 yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.
20 BLESSED be the LORD, the God of Israel, /
 who only doeth wondrous things;
21 And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever: /
 and let all the earth be filled with his majesty. Amen and Amen.

Epistle Romans 15.4-13

Read by Kevin Sinclair

Reader A Reading from the Epistle of St Paul to the Romans.

Rejoice For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in

accordance with Christ Jesus, ⁶so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; ¹⁰and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; ¹¹and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; ¹²and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” ¹³May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader The word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn 102 *Prepare the Way, O Zion*

BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HARRAN

The Holy Gospel *Matthew 3.1-12*

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
All **And with thy spirit.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.
All **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ³This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” ⁴Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with

unquenchable fire.”

Gospeller

The Gospel of Christ.

All

Praise be to thee, O Christ

Homily

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant

I believe in one God,

All

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 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 Dr. Ted Robinson

Confession and Absolution

The Celebrant invites the confession of sin. Silence is kept.

All

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and 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.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

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. *Galatians 6. 10.*

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Hymn CP 106 *There's a Voice in the Wilderness*

ASCENSION

During the hymn a collection will be taken to support the ministry of the parish.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. *1 Chronicles 29. 10, 11, 14.*

Prayer of Consecration

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 *The Proper Preface follows..* Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Choir Holy, 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.

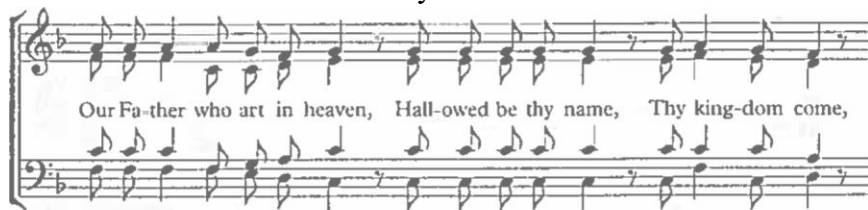
Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for

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

The Lord's Prayer *Sung together*

Celebrant

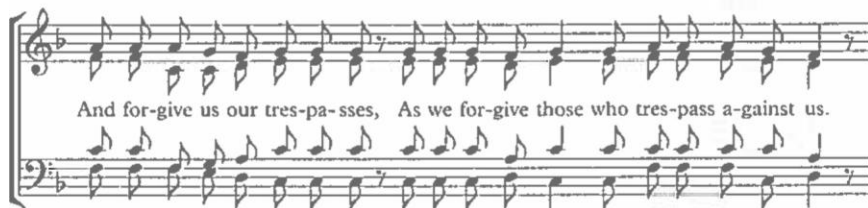
And now, as our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say:



Our Fa-ther who art in heaven, Hall-owed be thy name, Thy king-dom come,



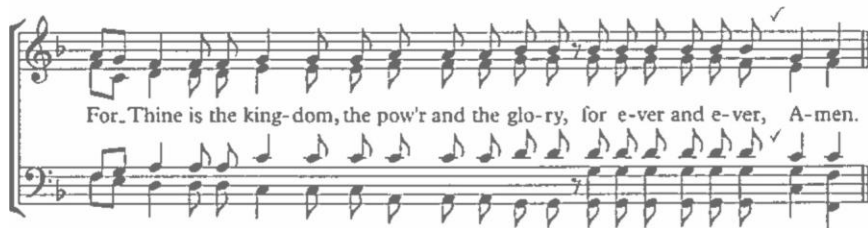
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.



And for-give us our tres-pa-ses, As we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us.



And lead us not in - to temp-ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For. Thine is the king-dom, the pow'r and the glo-ry, for e-ver and e-ver, A-men.

Celebrant
All

We do not presume,
**to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own
righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not
worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou
art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us
therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus
Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made
clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious
blood and that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

Agnus Dei

Choir

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace.

Holy Communion

- Holy Communion is administered at the High Altar and a standing station at the St. Peter Altar in the south aisle. If you do not wish to receive communion. You may come forward for a blessing. Fold your hands over your chest to indicate this to the administering priest. Please follow the directions of the sides-people.
- You may choose to receive the bread only where the fullness of the sacrament is present. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, simply receive the bread and return to your seat. You may also touch the base of the chalice while the words of administration are said.
- Intinction (dipping the bread into the chalice of wine) is not permitted in the Anglican Diocese of Toronto.

Music During Communion

Motet *On Jordan's Bank* (For text see hymn 103)

MALCOLM ARCHER

Hymn 76 *Thee We Adore*

ADORO TE

Thanksgiving after Communion

Celebrant Merciful God, may this Eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with unending joy and prepare us to celebrate the birth of our Saviour. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ who is Lord now and forever. **Amen.**

All **Almighty God, we thank thee for feeding us with the body and blood of thy Son, Jesus Christ. Through him we offer unto thee ourselves our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of the Spirit to live and work for thy praise and glory. Amen.**

Blessing & Announcements

Recessional Hymn CP 111 *Herald! Sound the Note of Judgement*

NEANDER

Dismissal

Leader Followers of Jesus Christ, inspired by the Holy Spirit,
serve the world God loves.

All **Amen.**

Postlude *Chorale Prelude on 'Lord Christ, God's Only Son'*

J.S. BACH

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service.

The service is taken from the *Book of Common Prayer and the Book of Alternative Services*.

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In our Prayers this Week

The Anglican Communion The Church of Bangladesh.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer The Toronto East Deanery.

Outreach & Advocacy Cycle of Prayer Pray for All Saints, Peterborough, its Food Security program, community meals, community garden, partnership with Kawartha Food Share, and its youth ministry reaching children in the city with programming and fun all free of charge; for All Saints, Sherbourne Street, its daily drop-in and nursing program, weekly breakfast for women involved in the sex trade, and its community agency connections; and for All Saints, Whitby, its foodbank, clothing drives, refugee sponsorship, Truth and Reconciliation work, Christmas outreach ministries and participation in Affirming Worship Durham and Durham Multifaith Committee.

Parish Cycle Neil McKeown, Paul and Martha Mclean, David and Marian McPherson.

Home Bound Parishioners Marie Adams, Alice Fox, Dennis Gittens, Lorraine Griffith, Sabrina Hogan, Marian McPherson, Denise Orioux, Everton Morris, Lucy Simons, Vernita Theobolds, Duncan Towe, Lila Vamosi, Vashti White.

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SERVICES

Sundays	9.00 am	Weekly Holy Eucharist (BCP) - In the Chapel of Holy Spirit
	10.30 am	1 st and 3 rd Sundays Choral Eucharist – Traditional BCP Rite
		2 nd Sunday Choral Matins (unless announced)
		4 th Sunday Choral Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
		5 th Sunday & Evensong - As Announced

Wednesdays

11.00 am	Weekly Eucharist – Contemporary BAS Rite
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